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By Representatives Garay, Tugna, Tupas, Abaya, Daza, Tañada, Fariñas, Quimbo, Socrates, Collantes, Albano, Rodriguez (R.), Vergara, Lazatin, Batocabe, Gunigundo, Madrona, Nograles, Tiangco, Barzaga, Ungab, Sambar, Arnaiz, Ong, Agyao, Alcala, Puno, Marcoleta, Mendoza (M.), Zamora-Apsay, Gullas, Apacible, Aglipay, Umali (R.), Casiño, Crisologo, Bonoan-David and Mercado (R.), per Committee Report No. 837

AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF BISLIG, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (L) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7154, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

- SECTION 1. There is hereby created an additional Regional Trial
 Court branch in the Eleventh Judicial Region with seat at the City of Bislig,
 Province of Surigao del Sur.
- The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number of the newly-created branch of the Regional Trial Court in the Eleventh Judicial Region.

SEC. 2. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with
the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the
Court's program the operationalization of an additional branch of the
Regional Trial Court to be stationed at the City of Bislig, Province of
Surigao del Sur, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. Section 14(I) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, and all other laws, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,