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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 844

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Finance on FEB 0 3 7010 ____.

Re

Senate Bill No. 3589

Recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill No. 2833, taking into consideration HB No. 5884.

Sponsors: Senators Escudero and Angara

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Finance to which were referred Senate Bill No. 2833, introduced by Senator Escudero, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING ONE ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT TAGUIG CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980 AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

and taking into consideration House Bill No. 5884, introduced by Representatives Dueñas, et al, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT TAGUIG CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 21, CHAPTER III OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and have the honor to report them back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached Senate Bill No. 3589 prepared by the Committees entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT TAGUIG CITY, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980," AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

be approved in substitution of Senate Bill No. 2833, taking into consideration House Bill No. 5884, with Senators Escudero and Angara as authors thereof.

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AN ACT

CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT TAGUIG CITY, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980," AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. One (1) additional Metropolitan Trial Court branch for Taguig City is hereby created.

SECTION 3. The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number for the newly created branch.

SECTION 1. Accordingly, Section 27 of Batas Pambansa Bilang 129, otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980," as amended, as well as other provisions that may be inconsistent herewith, is hereby deemed repealed, modified and/or further amended.

SECTION 5. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include, as may be determined on a priority basis, in the Court's program the implementation of this Act. The funding therefor shall likewise be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 6. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after completion of its publication in the Official Gazette or two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,