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## COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 846

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Finance on -FEB-0-3-2010

Re : Senate Bill No. <u>3591</u>

Recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill No. 2828, taking into consideration HB No. 6173.

Sponsors: Senators Escudero and Angara

#### MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Finance to which was referred Senate Bill No. 2828, introduced by Senator Escudero, entitled:

#### "AN ACT CREATING TWO ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT NAVOTAS, 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. 6173, introduced by Representatives Noel, *et al*, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT NAVOTAS CITY, METRO MANILA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (D) AND SECTION 21 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. 359.1, prepared by the Committees entitled:

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

be approved in substitution of Senate Bill No. 2828, taking into consideration House Bill No. 6173, with Senators Escudero and Angara as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted:

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

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

**SECTION 1.** Two (2) additional Metropolitan Trial Court branches for Navotas City, with seats thereat, are hereby created in the National Capital Judicial Region.

**SECTION 2.** The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number for the newly created branches.

SECTION 3. Accordingly, Section 14(d) and 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, are hereby deemed repealed, modified and/or
further amended.

SECTION 4. 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 5. *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,

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