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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 3396

BY	REPRESENTATIVES	BELMONTE	(J.),	TUPAS	AND	UNGAB
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AN ACT CREATING NINETEEN (19) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN QUEZON CITY, METRO MANILA, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (D) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 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. Nineteen (19) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court are hereby created in the National Capital Judicial Region to be stationed in Quezon City, Metro Manila.
 - SEC. 2. The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers for the newly created branches.
 - SEC. 3. 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 the nineteen (19) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court, the funding of which shall be included in the

General Appropriations Act. The funds necessary for the operation of the courts herein created shall be appropriated and released only upon the actual organization of the courts and the appointment of its personnel.

SEC. 4. Section 14(d) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 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Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, as well as other provisions that may be inconsistent herewith is hereby deemed repealed, modified and/or further amended accordingly.

SEC. 5. 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,