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REPORT NO. 582

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SOUTHWESTERN TAGALOG REGION
TO BE KNOWN AS THE MIMAROPA REGION

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

1 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "MIMAROPA Act".

2 SEC. 2. It is hereby declared the policy of the State to promote
3 simplicity, economy, and efficiency in the government to enable it to pursue
4 programs consistent with national goals for accelerated social and economic
5 development and to enhance intergovernmental relations for efficient and
6 effective delivery of services.

7 It is also the policy of the State, after due consultation with the
8 appropriate local government units, government agencies, and the private
9 sector, to formulate socioeconomic development programs in accordance with
10 its mandate to promote a more equitable distribution of opportunities, income
11 and wealth, and ensure a sustainable increase in the amount of goods and
12 services provided for the benefit of the people.

13 The State shall promote administrative decentralization to strengthen the
14 autonomy of the local government units and accelerate the economic and social
15 growth and development of the region.

1 SEC. 3. The Southwestern Tagalog Region is hereby established to be
2 known as the MIMAROPA Region which shall be composed of the following
3 provinces and cities:

4 (a) Provinces:

- 5 1. Mindoro Oriental;
- 6 2. Mindoro Occidental;
- 7 3. Marinduque;
- 8 4. Romblon; and
- 9 5. Palawan.

10 (b) Cities:

- 11 1. Calapan City; and
- 12 2. Puerto Princesa City.

13 SEC. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act, the
14 National Economic and Development Authority, in coordination with the
15 Department of the Interior and Local Government, shall formulate and
16 promulgate the necessary rules and regulations to implement the provisions of
17 this Act. The implementing rules and regulations issued pursuant to this section
18 shall take effect thirty (30) days after its publication in at least two (2) national
19 newspapers of general circulation.

20 SEC. 5. All laws, decrees, orders and rules and regulations which are
21 inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified
22 accordingly.

23 SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication
24 in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

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