



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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 151

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Justice and Human Rights *and*
Finance on MAY 26 2015.

Re: H. No. 4491

Recommending its approval with amendments.

Sponsor: Senator Pimentel

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Justice and Human Rights *and* Finance, to which were referred H. No. 4491, introduced by Reps. Leonardia, Tupas, and Ungab, entitled:

**"AN ACT
CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SIXTH JUDICIAL REGION
TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF BACOLOD, PROVINCE OF
NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (G) 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 it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be approved with the following amendments:

- 1) "On Page 1, Section 1, Lines 2 to 3, delete the phrase "are hereby created in the Sixth Judicial Region to be stationed in the City of Bacolod, Province of Negros Occidental" to "to be stationed in

the City of Bacolod, situated in the Province of Negros Occidental are hereby created in the Sixth Judicial Region.”;

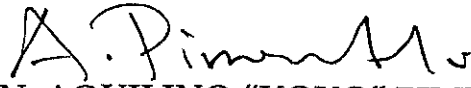
- 2) “Still on Page 1, the Second Paragraph of Section 1, in Line 4, shall become Section 2 of H. No. 4491; and renumber accordingly; On Line 5, delete the “- (hyphen)” between the words “newly” and “created”;
- 3) “On Page 2, Section 2, Line 1, capitalize the first letter in the word “annual”;
- 4) “Still on Page 2, Section 2, Line 2, insert the following sentence at the end of the paragraph: **“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.”**
- 5) “On Page 2, Section 3, Line 4, insert the phrase **“executive orders and”** between the words “laws” and “rules”;
- 6) “On Page 2, Section 4, Line 8, delete the phrase “in the Official Gazette or”; and
- 7) Amend the title to read as follows:

**“AN ACT
CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF
BACOLOD, SITUATED IN THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS
OCCIDENTAL, IN THE SIXTH JUDICIAL REGION, AMENDING
FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (G) OF BATAS
PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE
JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED,
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.”**

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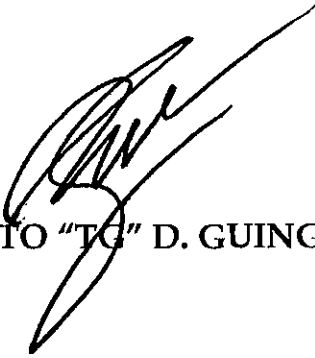


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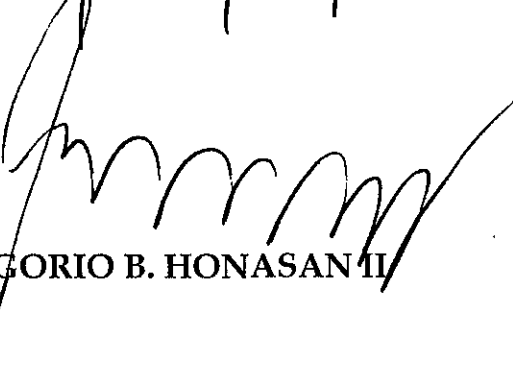


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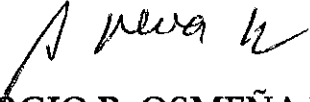
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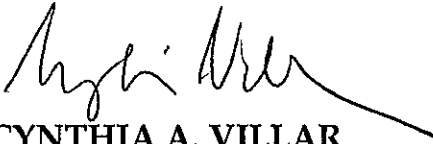
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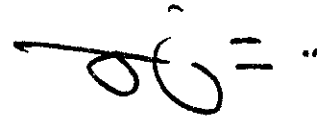


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 4491

BY REPRESENTATIVES LEONARDIA, TUPAS AND UNGAB, PER COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 256

AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SIXTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF BACOLOD, PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (G) 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:

1 SECTION 1. Three (3) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court
2 are hereby created in the Sixth Judicial Region to be stationed in the City of
3 Bacolod, Province of Negros Occidental.

4 The Supreme Court shall assign the branch numbers of the
5 newly-created Regional Trial Court branches in the Sixth Judicial Region.

6 SEC. 2. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with
7 the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the
8 Court's program the operationalization of the additional Regional Trial Court
9 branches to be stationed in the City of Bacolod, Province of Negros

1 Occidental, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
2 Appropriations Act.

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

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

Approved,

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