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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 159

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Justice and Human Rights *and*
Finance on MAY 27 2015.

Re: H. No. 3396

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. 3396, introduced by Reps. Belmonte (J), Tupas, and Ungab, entitled:

**"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"**

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 National Capital Judicial Region to be stationed in Quezon City, Metro Manila" to **"to be stationed in Quezon City, Metro Manila are hereby created in the National Capital Region."**

2) "On Page 1, Section 2, Line 5, insert the phrase **"of the Regional Trial Courts in the National Capital Judicial Region"** after the word "branches";

3) "On Page 2, Section 3, Line 1, insert the word **"Annual"** before the word "General";

4) "On Page 2, Section 4, Lines 5 to 7, change the phrase "as well as other provisions that may be inconsistent herewith is hereby deemed repealed, modified and/or further amended" to **"and all other laws, executive orders, and rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed, or modified."**;

5) "On Page 2, Section 5, Line 9, delete the phrase "in the Official Gazette or"; and

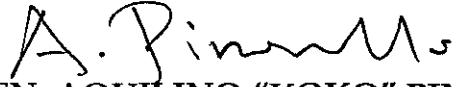
6) Amend the title to read as follows:

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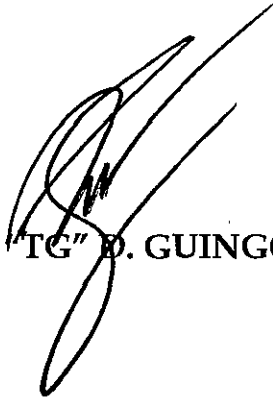


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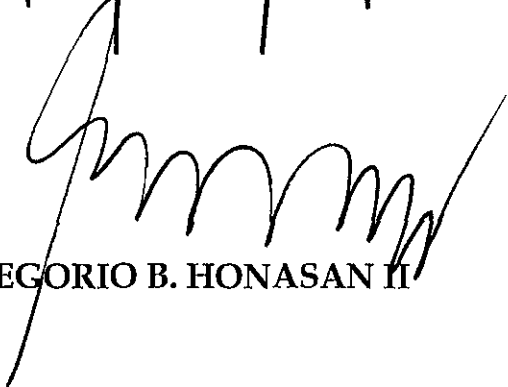


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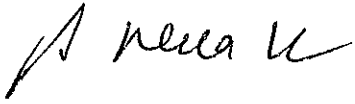
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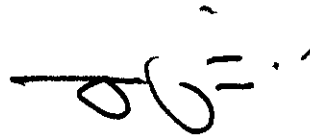


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 3396

BY REPRESENTATIVES BELMONTE (J.), TUPAS AND UNGAB

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:

1 SECTION 1. Nineteen (19) additional branches of the Regional Trial
2 Court are hereby created in the National Capital Judicial Region to be
3 stationed in Quezon City, Metro Manila.

4 SEC. 2. The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers
5 for the newly created branches.

6 SEC. 3. 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 nineteen (19) additional branches
9 of the Regional Trial Court, the funding of which shall be included in the

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

4 SEC. 4. Section 14(d) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as
5 "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, as well as other
6 provisions that may be inconsistent herewith is hereby deemed repealed,
7 modified and/or further amended accordingly.

8 SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete
9 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general
10 circulation.

Approved,

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