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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 166

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Justice and Human Rights *and*
Finance on JUN 01 2015:

Re: H. No. 1980

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. 1980, introduced by Reps. Rodriguez (R.), Rodriguez (M.), Tupas, and Ungab, entitled:

**"AN ACT
CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL REGION
TO BE STATIONED AT INITAO, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS
ORIENTAL, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (K) 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:

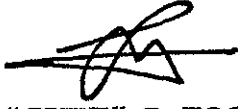
- 1) "On Page 1, Section 1, Line 1, change the phrase "Two (2) additional Regional Trial Court branches for the Province of Misamis Oriental, with seats at Initao, are hereby created" to **"An additional branch of the Regional Trial Court to be stationed at Initao, situated in the Province of Misamis Oriental is hereby created in the Tenth Judicial Region."**;
- 2) "On Page 1, Section 2, Line 4, delete the word "respective" and delete the letter "s" after the word "numbers", on line 5, change the word "branches" to **"branch"**; and insert the following phrase **"in the Tenth Judicial Region"** at the end of the sentence";
- 3) "Interchange Sections 3 and 4 of H. No. 1980. Section 3 will read as follows:

"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 additional branch of the Regional Trial Court in the Province of Misamis Oriental, with seat at Initao, the funding of which shall be included in the General Appropriations Act. The funds necessary for the operation of the court herein created shall be appropriated and released only upon the actual organization of the court and the appointment of its personnel.";
- 4) "Section 4 will read as follows:

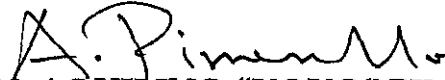
"Sec. 4. Section 14 (K) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as the Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, and all other laws, executive orders, and rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed, or modified accordingly.";
- 5) "On Page 2, Section 5, Line 5, delete the phrase "in the *Official Gazette* or" and
- 6) Amend the title by changing the phrase "two (2) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the Tenth Judicial Region to be Stationed at Initao, Province of Misamis Oriental" to **"an additional branch of the Regional Trial Court to be stationed at Initao, situated in the Province of Misamis Oriental, in the Tenth Judicial Region"**, to read as follows:

**"AN ACT
CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL
TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT INITAO, SITUATED IN
THE PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL, IN THE TENTH
JUDICIAL REGION, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (K) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION
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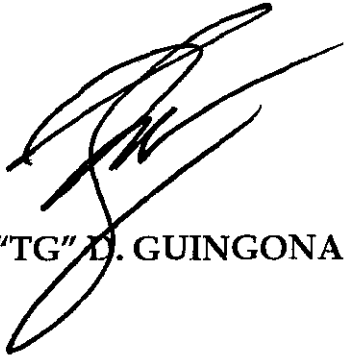


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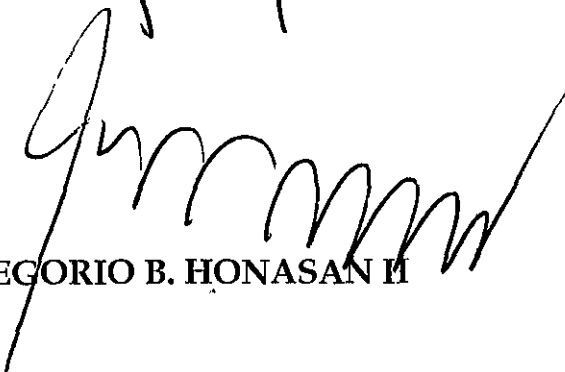


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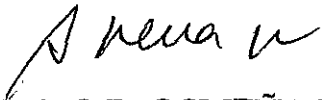
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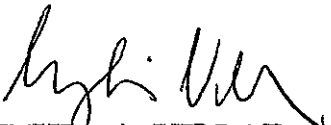
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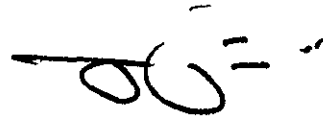


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 1980

BY REPRESENTATIVES RODRIGUEZ (R.), RODRIGUEZ (M.), TUPAS AND UNGAB

AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT INITAO, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (K) 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. Two (2) additional Regional Trial Court branches for the
2 Province of Misamis Oriental, with seats at Initao, are hereby created in the
3 Tenth Judicial Region.
- 4 SEC. 2. The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers
5 of the newly created branches.
- 6 SEC. 3. Accordingly, Section 14(k) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129,
7 otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended,
8 as well as other provisions that may be inconsistent herewith is hereby deemed
9 repealed, modified and/or further amended.
- 10 SEC. 4. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with
11 the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include, as may

1 be determined on a priority basis. in the Court's program the implementation
2 of this Act. The funding therefor shall likewise be included in the annual
3 General Appropriations Act.

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

Approved,

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