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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 169

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

Re: H. No. 2260

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. 2260, introduced by Reps. Aliping, Tupas, and Ungab, entitled:

**"AN ACT
CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE
MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES AND TWO (2)
ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE
CITY OF BAGUIO, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF
1980", 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 2, Line 5, insert the following phrase "**in the First Judicial Region**" at the end of the word "branches";
- 2) "On Page 1, Section 3, Lines 8 to 9, change the phrase "implementation of this Act" and the sentence "The funding therefor shall likewise be included in the annual General

Appropriations Act." to "operationalization of the two (2) additional branches of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities and two (2) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the City of Baguio, the funding of which shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.";


- 3) "On Page 2, Section 4, Line 3, insert the phrase "otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980"" after the word "Blg. 129,"; On Line 4, change the phrase "as well as other provisions that may be inconsistent herewith are hereby deemed repealed, amended or modified accordingly" to "and all other laws, executive orders, and rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed, or modified accordingly.";
- 4) "On Page 2, Section 5, Line 7, delete the phrase "in the Official Gazette or" and
- 5) Amend the title to read as follows:

**"AN ACT
CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE
MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES AND TWO (2)
ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF BAGUIO, IN THE FIRST
JUDICIAL REGION, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE
JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED,
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"**

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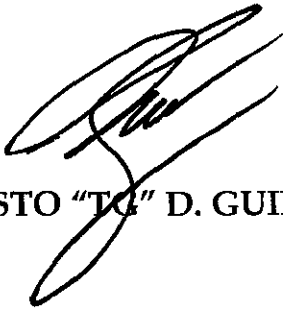


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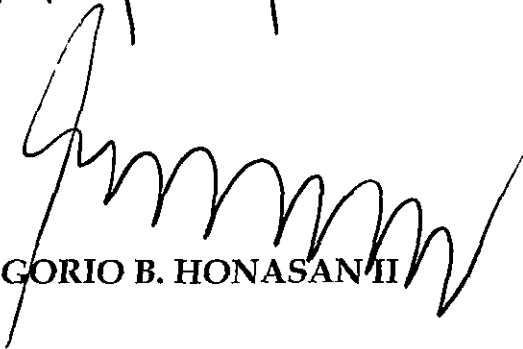


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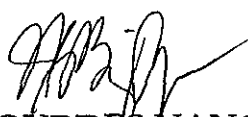
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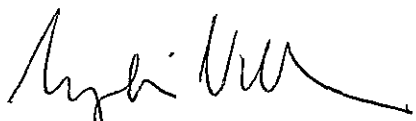
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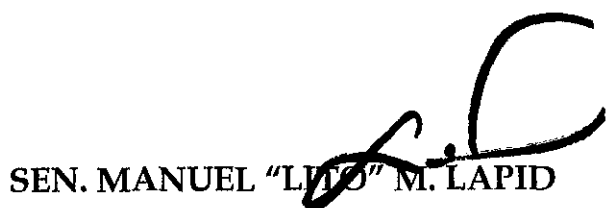


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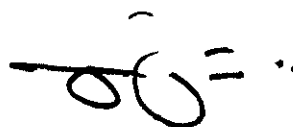


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 2260

BY REPRESENTATIVES ALIPING, TUPAS AND UNGAB

AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES AND TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF BAGUIO, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", 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 branches of the Municipal Trial Court
2 in Cities and two (2) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court to be
3 stationed in the City of Baguio are hereby created in the First Judicial Region.
- 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 implementation of this Act. The funding therefor shall
9 likewise be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The funds
10 necessary for the operation of the courts herein created shall be appropriated

1 and released only upon the actual organization of the courts and the
2 appointment of its personnel.

3 SEC. 4. Sections 14(a) and 29 of Batas Pambansa Blg.129, as
4 amended, as well as other provisions that may be inconsistent herewith are
5 hereby deemed repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,

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