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Introduced by **Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri**

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THEREFOR.**

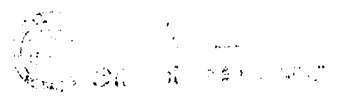
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 16, Article III of the 1987 Constitution states that "All persons shall have the right to a speedy disposition of their cases before all judicial, quasi, or administrative bodies", thus, this measure seeks to create additional branches of the Regional Trial Court (RTC) in the Province of Zamboanga Del Norte stationed in the Municipality of Liloy from the Ninth Judicial Region.

By the virtue of Batas Pambansa Bilang 129 or The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980, the Third District of Zamboanga currently has two branches of RTC stationed in the municipalities of Liloy and Siocon. To decongest court dockets of voluminous cases filed and to provide a speedy trial, the establishment and creation of additional branches of RTC is strongly urged. This is also to address the needs of our growing populace and the delay in resolution of cases pending before said courts.

In view of the foregoing, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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

1 **SECTION 1.** One (1) Regional Trial Court branch to be stationed in the
2 Municipality of Liloy, is hereby created in the Ninth Judicial Region.

3 The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number for the newly created Regional
4 Trial Court branches in the Ninth Judicial Region.

5 **SECTION 2.** The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the
6 Secretary of Justice, shall immediately include in the Court's program the implementation
7 of this Act. The amount necessary for the creation and the continuous funding therefore
8 shall likewise be included in the annual General Apparitions Act. The funds necessary
9 shall be appropriated and released only upon the actual organization of the court and
10 appointed of its personnel.

11 **SECTION 3.** Section 14 (j) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as "The
12 Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, and all other laws, rules and
13 regulations which are consistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified
14 accordingly.

15 **SECTION 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after completion of its
16 publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers circulation.

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Approved,