CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS Third Regular Session

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## H. No. 8989

- BY REPRESENTATIVES ESCUDERO, SY-ALVARADO, LEACHON, ANDAYA AND ZAMORA (M.C.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1166
- AN ACT CREATING ONE (1) ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CASTILLA, PROVINCE OF SORSOGON AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(F) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED

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

SECTION 1. One (1) additional branch of the Regional Trial
 Court is hereby created in the Fifth Judicial Region to be stationed
 in the Municipality of Castilla, Province of Sorsogon.

- 4 The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number for the 5 newly created branch of the Regional Trial Court.
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SEC. 2. 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 to be stationed in the Municipality of Castilla, Province of Sorsogon, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations
 Act.

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as amended, 5 and all other laws, rules and regulations which are inconsistent 6 with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 4 This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after
its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general
circulation.

Approved,

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