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**COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 144**

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Justice and Human Rights and on Finance on: **10 OCT 2006**

Re : House Bill No. 5127

Recommending its approval without amendment.

Sponsor : Senator Enrile *Enrile*

**MR. PRESIDENT:**

The Committees on Justice and Human Rights and on Finance to which was referred House Bill No. 5127, introduced by Representatives Dangwa, Datumanong and Andaya Jr., entitled:

**"AN ACT  
CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA TRINIDAD, PROVINCE OF BENGUET, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 30 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980"**

have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be approved without amendment.

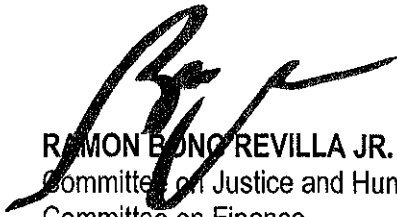
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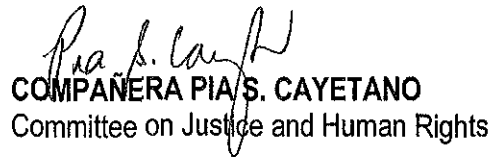
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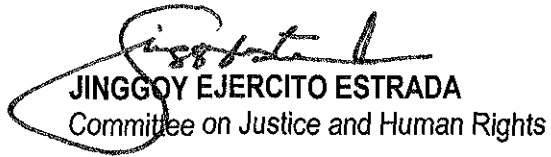


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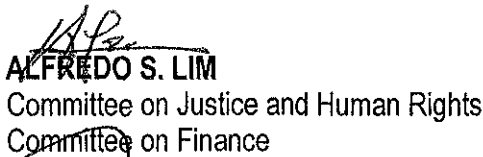


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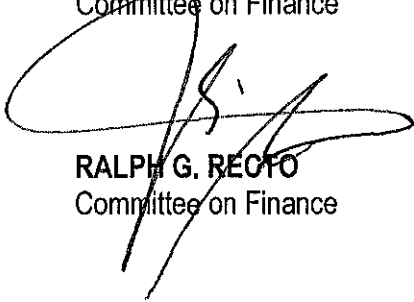


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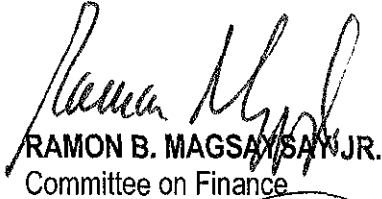


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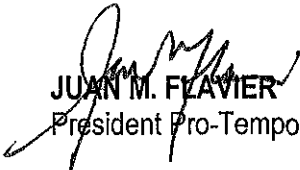
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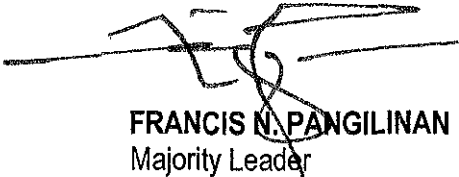


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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5127

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BY REPRESENTATIVES DANGWA, DATUMANONG AND ANDAYA, PER  
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1415

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AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL  
TRIAL COURT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA TRINIDAD,  
PROVINCE OF BENGUET, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE  
SECTION 30 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE  
KNOWN AS THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 30 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, as amended, is  
2 hereby further amended to read as follows:

3                   “SEC. 30. *Municipal Trial Courts.* – In each of the  
4 municipalities that are not comprised within a metropolitan area  
5 and a municipal circuit, there shall be a Municipal Trial Court  
6 which shall have one branch, except as hereunder provided:

7                   X   X   X

8                   TWO BRANCHES FOR LA TRINIDAD, BENGUET;

x x x.”

2 SEC. 2. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with  
3 the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the  
4 court's program the operationalization of an additional municipal trial court  
5 branch for the Province of Benguet to be stationed at the Municipality of La  
6 Trinidad, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General  
7 Appropriations Act.

8 SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,