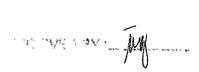
THIRTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE REPUBLIC } OF THE PHILIPPINES } Third Regular Session }

SENATE



COMMITTEE REPORT NO. <u>146</u>

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Justice and Human Rights and on Finance on 10 0CT 2006

Re

House Bill No. 5135

Recommending its approval without amendment.

Sponsor.

Senators Enrile

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MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Justice and Human Rights and on Finance to which was referred House Bill No. 5135, introduced by Representatives Villafuerte, Datumanong and Andaya Jr., entitled:

"AN ACT

CREATING AN ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH IN THE CAPITAL TOWN OF PILI, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (F) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7154, 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 without amendment.

Respectfully submitted:

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5135

BY REPRESENTATIVES VILLAFUERTE, DATUMANONG AND ANDAYA, PER COMMITEE REPORT NO. 1420

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

- SECTION 1. Section 14, paragraph (f) of Batas Pambansa Big. 129,
- 2 otherwise known as the Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980, as amended, is
- 3 hereby further amended to read as follows:
- 4 "SEC. 14. Regional Trial Courts. -
- 5 "x x x
- 6 "(f) [Sixty-five] SIXTY-SIX Regional Trial Court
- Judges shall be commissioned for the Fifth Judicial Region.
- There shall be:

1	"x	X	X

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2	"[Twenty-seven] TWENTY-EIGHT branches with seats
3	thereat for the Province of Camarines Sur and the Cities of Naga
4	and Iriga, with seats at Naga City, Libmanari, Tigaon, San Jose,
5	Pili, Iriga City, Buhi, Nabua, Sipocot, Ragay, and Calabanga;
. 6	"x x x."
7	SEC. 2. The jurisdiction over cases cognizable by the Regional Tria
8	Court under existing law, emanating from the municipalities of Pili, Bula and
9	Ocampo in the Province of Camarines Sur shall be lodged in the Regional
10	Trial Court branch created under this Act.
11	SEC. 3. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with
12 .	the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the
13	Court's program the operationalization of an additional Regional Trial Court
14	branch for the Province of Camarines Sur to be stationed at the capital town of
15	Pili, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
16	Appropriations Act.
17	SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
	Approved,