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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## H. No. 4265

- BY REPRESENTATIVES GONZALES (N.), DEFENSOR (M.), LAGMAN, GUNIGUNDO, CHIONGBIAN, MARAÑON, DOMOGAN, CASTRO, ARNAIZ, COQUILLA, CHIPECO, JALA AND AGYAO, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 625
- AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCHES AND FOUR (4)ADDITIONAL MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT BRANCHES FOR THE CITY OF MANDALUYONG. AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(d) AND SECTION 27 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

- SECTION 1. Section 14, paragraph (d) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129,
   otherwise known as The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980, as amended, is
   hereby further amended to read as follows:
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"(d) [Two hundred seventy-six] TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY Regional Trial

Judges shall be commissioned for the National Capital Judicial Region. Thereshall be:

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8 "[One hundred two] ONE HUNDRED SIX branches for the Municipalities
9 of Navotas[, Malabon,] AND PATEROS AND THE CITIES OF San Juan,

Mandaluyong, Makati, Pasig, [Pateros,] Taguig, Marikina, Parañaque, Las
 Piñas, and Muntinlupa; with fifty-eight seated in Makati CITY, thirty-four
 seated in Pasig CITY, FOUR SEATED IN MANDALUYONG CITY, two seated in
 Marikina CITY, five in Malabon CITY, one in Parañaque CITY, one in
 Las Piñas CITY, and one in Muntinlupa CITY; and

"x x x."

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7 SEC. 2. Section 27 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as
8 The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980, is hereby amended to read as
9 follows:

10 "SEC. 27. Metropolitan Trial Courts of the National Capital Region. – 11 There shall be a Metropolitan Trial Court in the National Capital Region, to be 12 known as the Metropolitan Trial Court of Metro Manila, which shall be 13 composed of [ninety-five (95)] NINETY-NINE (99) branches. There shall be:

14 "x x x

"[Two] Six branches [(Branches LIX and LX)] for Mandaluyong CITY
with seats thereat;

17 "x x x."

18 SEC. 3. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with 19 the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the 20 Court's program the operationalization of four (4) additional Regional Trial 21 Court branches and four (4) additional Municipal Trial Court branches for the 22 City of Mandaluyong, the funding of which shall be included in the annual 23 General Appropriations Act.

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

Approved,

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