



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 16

BY REPRESENTATIVES CHIONGBIAN, DEFENSOR (M.) AND LAGMAN

AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS IN THE PROVINCE OF SARANGANI WITH SEATS AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALABEL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PARAGRAPH (1), SECTION 14 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, AS AMENDED, 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 14, paragraph (1) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, as
2 amended, otherwise known as the Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980, is
3 hereby further amended to read as follows:

4 “(1) [~~Forty-one~~]**FORTY-THREE** Regional Trial Judges
5 shall be commissioned for the Eleventh Judicial Region. There
6 shall be:

7 “x x x

8 “**THREE BRANCHES FOR THE PROVINCE OF SARANGANI,**
9 **WITH SEATS AT ALABEL;**

10 “x x x.”

11 SEC. 2. 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 two (2) additional regional trial
14 courts for the Province of Sarangani, with stations at the Municipality of
15 Alabel, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
16 Appropriations Act.

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

Approved,