

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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House Bill No. 142

Introduced by **HON. NELSON P. COLLANTES**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to provide for the creation of an additional branch of Regional Trial Court in Tanauan City, Batangas.

It is said that "Justice delayed is justice denied". The 1987 Philippine Constitution states that "All persons shall have the right to a speedy disposition of their cases before all judicial, quasi-judicial or administrative bodies". Due to the voluminous number of cases filed with the Regional Trial Courts of Tanauan City, Batangas, justice is dispensed at a very slow rate. There is an undue delay in the disposition of cases.

At present, there are only two (2) branches of the Regional Trial Court of Tanauan City, namely branches VI and LXXXIII. Under Section 14, paragraph e of Batas Pambansa 129, it is explicitly stated that there should be three (3) branches of the Regional Trial Court of Tanauan City.

In view of the foregoing considerations, the approval of the bill is strongly recommended.



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**AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL
BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS IN THE CITY OF TANAUAN,
PROVINCE OF BATANGAS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. Creation of an Additional Regional Trial Court—By virtue of Section 14, paragraph e of Batas Pambansa 129, otherwise known as the Judicial Reorganizational Act of 1980, there is hereby created an additional branch of the Regional Trial Court of Tanauan City, Batangas.

SECTION 2. The Supreme Court of the Philippines shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SECTION 3. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippines, in coordination with the Secretary of the Department of Justice shall immediately include in its program the operationalization of the additional Regional Trial Court of Tanauan City, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED.

