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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 833

Submitted by the Committee on Justice and the Committee on Appropriations on 24 MAR 2011

Re: House Bill No. 4471

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2395

Sponsors: Representatives Niel C. Tupas, Jr., Joseph Emilio A. Abaya and Tobias M. Tiangco

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Justice and the Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 2395, introduced by Representative Tobias M. Tiangco, entitled:

"AN ACT

CREATING THREE (3) BRANCHES OF REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN THE CITY OF NAVOTAS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 14 AND 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980, AS AMENDED, AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 4471, entitled:

"AN ACT

CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF NAVOTAS, METRO MANILA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (D) AND SECTION 27 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980" AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

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House Bill No. **4471**

Introduced by Representatives Tiangco, Tupas, Jr., Abaya, Daza, Tañada, Fariñas,
Quimbo, Socrates, Collantes, Albano, R. Rodriguez, Vergara, Lazatin, Batocabe,
Gumigundo, Madrona, Nograles, Garay, Agyao, Barzaga, Ungab, Sambar, Arnaiz,
Ong, Alcala, Puno, Marcoleta, M. Mendoza, Zamora-Apsay, Gullas, Apacible,
Aglipay, R. Umali, Casiño, Crisologo, Bonoan-David and Mercado

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

1 SECTION 1. Three (3) additional Regional Trial Court branches and two (2)
2 additional Metropolitan Trial Court branches are hereby created in the National
3 Capital Judicial Region with seats at the City of Navotas, Metro Manila

4 The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number of the newly-created
5 branches of the Regional Trial Court and the Metropolitan Trial Court in the National
6 Capital Judicial Region.

7 SEC. 2. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the
8 Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the Court's
9 program the operationalization of three (3) additional branches of the Regional Trial
10 Court and two (2) additional branches of the Metropolitan Trial Court to be stationed

11 at the City of Navotas, Metro Manila, the funding of which shall be included in the
12 annual General Appropriations Act.

13 SEC. 3. Section 14 (d) and Section 27 of Batas Pambansa Bilang 129,
14 otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980" as amended, and all
15 other laws, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby
16 amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

17 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete
18 publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

19 . Approved,

FACT SHEET

Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 2395

(As approved by the Committee on February 09, 2011)

AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF NAVOTAS, METRO MANILA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (D) AND SECTION 27 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by: REPS. TOBIAS TIANGCO, NIEL C. TUPAS, JR. AND JOSEPH EMILIO A. ABAYA

Committee Referral: COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE (PRIMARY)

Committee Chairperson: REP. NIEL C. TUPAS, JR.

Committee Referral: COMMITTEES ON APPROPRIATIONS (SECONDARY)

Committee Chairpersons: REP. JOSEPH EMILIO A. ABAYA

OBJECTIVES:

- To address the problem of delay in the disposition of cases brought about by the heavy caseload of the existing court in Navotas City.

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Provides for the creation of three (3) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court (RTC) and two (2) additional branches of the Metropolitan Trial Court (MeTC) all to be stationed in Navotas City.
- Provides that the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the Court's program the operationalization of these three (3) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court (RTC) and two (2) additional branches of the Metropolitan Trial Court (MeTC), the funding of which shall be included in the General Appropriations Act (GAA).

RELATED LAW:

- Section 14 (d) and Section 27, BP 129, as amended