

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

First Regular Session

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 859

Submitted by the Committee on Justice and the Committee on Appropriations on
04 APR 2011

Re: House Bill No. 4513

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill Nos. 163 and 688 —

Sponsors: Representatives Niel C. Tupas, Jr., Joseph Emilio A. Abaya
Magtanggol T. Gunigundo I and Rex Gatchalian

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Justice and the Committee on Appropriations, to which
were referred House Bill No. 163, introduced by Representative Magtanggol T.
Gunigundo I, entitled:

**"AN ACT
ESTABLISHING SIX (6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE
METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT AND TWO (2) ADDITIONAL
BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN VALENZUELA
CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA
BILANG 129 OR THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF
1980, AS AMENDED"**

and House Bill No. 688, introduced by Representative Rex Gatchalian,
entitled:

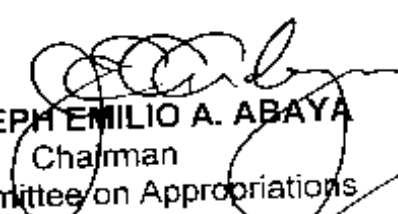
**"AN ACT
CREATING AN ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH
AND A METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT BRANCH IN THE CITY OF
VALENZUELA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS
PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "JUDICIARY
REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1981" AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC
ACT 7154 AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"**

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No.

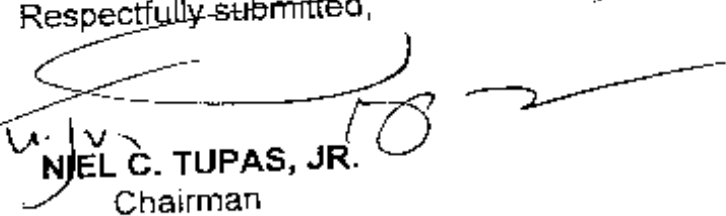
4513 entitled:

**"AN ACT
CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL
TRIAL COURT AND SIX (6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE
METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY
OF VALENZUELA, METRO MANILA, 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 approved in substitution of House Bill Nos. 163 and 688 with Representatives Magtanggol T. Gunigundo I, Rex Gatchalian, Niel C. Tupas, Jr., Joseph Emilio A. Abaya, Raul A. Daza, Lorenzo R. Tañada III, Rodolfo C. Fariñas, Romero Federico S. Quimbo, Victorino Dennis M. Socrates, Nelson P. Collantes, Rodolfo B. Albano, Jr. Rufus B. Rodriguez, Bernardo M. Vergara, Carmelo Lazatin, Rodel Batocabe, Eleandro Jesus F. Madrona, Karlo Nograles, Tobias Tiangco, Florencio C. Garay, Elpidio F. Barzaga, Isidro T. Ungab, Mark Aeron H. Sambar, George P. Arnaiz, Emil L. Ong, Manuel S. Agyao, Irvin M. Alcala, Roberto V. Puno, Rodante D. Marcoleta, Mark Leandro L. Mendoza, Ma. Carmen Zamora-Apsay, Eduardo R. Gullas, Tomas V. Apacible, Emmeline Y. Aglipay, Reynaldo V. Umali, Teodoro A. Casiño, Vincent P. Crisologo, Ma. Theresa B. Bonoan-David and Roger G. Mercado as authors thereof.


JOSEPH EMILIO A. ABAYA
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations

Respectfully submitted,


NIEL C. TUPAS, JR.
Chairman
Committee on Justice

The Honorable Speaker
House of Representatives
Quezon City

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

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House Bill No. —4513

Introduced by Representatives Gunigundo I. Gatchalian, Tupas, Jr., Abaya, Daza, Tañada, Fariñas, Quimbo, Tiano, Socrates, Collantes, Albano, R. Rodriguez, Vergara, Lazatin, Batocabe, Gunigundo, Madrona, Nogales, 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

AN ACT

CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND SIX (6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF VALENZUELA, METRO MANILA, 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:

1 SECTION 1. Two (2) additional Regional Trial Court branches and six (6)
2 additional Metropolitan Trial Court branches are hereby created in the National Capital
3 Judicial Region with seats at the City of Valenzuela, 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 program

9 the operationalization of two (2) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court and six
10 (6) additional branches of Metropolitan Trial Court to be stationed at the City of
11 Valenzuela, Metro Manila, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
12 Appropriations Act.

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

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

19 Approved,

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Diliman, Quezon City

FIFTEENTH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 163

Introduced by ATTY. MAGTANGGOL T. GUNIGUNDO I

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish six (6) additional branches of the Metropolitan Trial Court and two (2) additional Regional Trial Courts in the City of Valenzuela, hereby amending for the purpose Batas Pambansa Bilang 129, otherwise known as the "*Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980*", as amended.

This re-filed bill that is originally HB 4353 that we filed in the 14th Congress that was extensively deliberated by the Committees on Justice and Appropriations and was approved on Third and Final Reading by the House of Representatives but was stalled at the Senate for lack of material time.

The City of Valenzuela for over 3 decades now, has only two (2) branches of Metropolitan Trial Court which are now all saddled with thousands of pending cases. Initially, there were only three (3) RTC branches. These branches were established when Valenzuela was still a municipality.

Now, with a booming population of around 500 thousand persons and with an annual budget of over P1 Billion, these branches are completely inadequate to act with dispatch on the steadily increasing number of criminal and civil cases filed daily. Each branch hears about 40 to 50 cases a day. Only about 5 cases can actually be heard on that calendar day. The wheels of justice should not be allowed to continue to grind at such a snail's pace in the dispensation of justice in the country. Courts of justice are indispensable components in the maintenance and administration of justice, which principally deal with the majesty of the law as a means to uphold the rights guaranteed by our Constitution.

Although two (2) RTC branches are presently loaned by the Supreme Court to Valenzuela City to help declog the stockpiled cases, these are still not enough to meet the objectives of dispensation of justice.

Six (6) additional MTC branches and two (2) additional RTC branches in the City of Valenzuela shall adequately address the problem.

In view of the foregoing, immediate approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


ATTY. MAGTANGGOL T. GUNIGUNDO I

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Diliman, Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. 163

Introduced by ATTY. MAGTANGGOL T. GUNIGUNDO I

AN ACT
ESTABLISHING SIX (6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN
TRIAL COURT AND TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL
TRIAL COURT IN VALENZUELA CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129 OR THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION
ACT OF 1980, AS AMENDED

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

SECTION 1. Section 14 of Batas Pambansa Bilang Isang Daan at Dalawampu't Siyam, otherwise known as the Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

***Sec. 14 Regional Trial Courts.**

X X X

Par. (d) [Two hundred seventy six] Two hundred eighty Regional Trial Judges shall be commissioned for the National Capital Region. There shall be:

X X X

[Three] Five branches for Valenzuela City with seats thereat."

X X X

SECTION 2. Section 27 of Batas Pambansa Bilang Isang Daan at Dalawampu't Siyam, otherwise known as the Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 27. Metropolitan Trial Court of the National Capital Region. -There shall be a Metropolitan Trial Court in the National Capital Region, to be known as the Metropolitan Trial Court of Metro Manila, which shall be composed of [eighty two (82)] EIGHTY EIGHT (88) branches. There shall be:*

X X X

[TWO] EIGHT (Branches LXXXI, [and] LXXXII, LXXXIII, LXXXIV, LXXXV, LXXXVI, LXXXVII, and LXXXVIII) for Valenzuela City with seats thereat."

SECTION 3. The Supreme Court shall constitute the additional (6) branches of the Metropolitan Trial Court and two (2) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court hereby created in Valenzuela City and assign the corresponding branch numbers in accordance with this Act.

SECTION 4. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act for the constitution and continuous operation of the six (6) additional Metropolitan Trial Court branches and two (2) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court hereby created as determined by the Supreme Court shall be included in the annual General Appropriation Act of the year following its enactment into law.

SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE.- All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, other issuances, or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Acts are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY.- This act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

FIFTEENTH CONGRESS
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House Bill No. 683

Introduced by Honorable Rex Gatchalian

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks the creation of one (1) additional Regional Trial Court and one (1) Metropolitan Trial Court, both branches with station at Valenzuela City, amending for the purpose Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as the "Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1981", as amended by Republic Act 7154, and appropriating funds therefor.

It is not uncommon to find trial courts saddled with cases that are more than they can handle. Although the ideal number of cases which should be handled by each branch of a court is from one hundred and fifty (150) to two hundred (200), records will show that existing courts handle an average of one thousand (1,000) to two thousand (2,000) cases. This problem plagues the judicial system.

When the court dockets are clogged with cases it impedes the inflow of new cases and the hastening of proceedings of those that are already pending. We delay the administration of justice.

The existing three (3) branches of the Regional Trial Court and two (2) branches of the Metropolitan Trial Court are inadequate to serve the populace of Valenzuela City. With the conversion of Valenzuela into a Highly Urbanized City, its diversified commercial and economic prosperity continues to attract the influx of settlers/residents. As a result, additional cases have been filed and these courts, already saddled, must still face the enormous task of disposing of these ever increasing numbers of cases.

Thus, in order to address this systemic problem, it is but only imperative to create the additional Regional Trial Court and Metropolitan Trial Court stationed in Valenzuela City.

In view of the foregoing considerations, the immediate approval of this bill is highly recommended.


REX GATCHALIAN
1st District, Valenzuela City

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

FIFTEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

House Bill No. 688

Introduced by Honorable Rex Gatchalian

AN ACT
CREATING AN ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH
AND A METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT BRANCH IN THE CITY OF
VALENZUELA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA
BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION
ACT OF 1981" AS AMENDED BY
REPUBLIC ACT 7154 AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. Section 14 paragraph (d) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as the Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1981, as amended by Section 4 of Republic Act 7154, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

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(d) **TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN** Regional Trial Judges shall be commissioned for the National Capital Judicial Region. There shall be:

x x x x

FOUR BRANCHES FOR THE CITY OF VALENZUELA, WITH SEATS THEREAT.

x x x x

Section 2. Section 27 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as the Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1981, as amended to read as follows:

Section 27. Metropolitan Trial Courts of the National Capital Region. - There shall be a Metropolitan Trial Court in the National Capital Region, to be known as the Metropolitan Trial Court of Metro Manila, which shall be composed of **EIGHTY-THREE BRANCHES**. There shall be:

X X X X

THREE BRANCHES FOR VALENZUELA WITH SEATS THEREAT

X X X X

Section 3. 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 one (1) additional Regional Trial Court branch and one (1) Metropolitan Trial Court for the City of Valenzuela, the amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act is hereby authorized to be included in the appropriations the Supreme Court in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

Section 4. The Supreme Court shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

Section 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen days after its publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,



Republic of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City, Metro Manila

HON. JOSEPH EMILIO A. ABAYA

*Congressman, 1st District, Cavite
Chairman, Committee on Appropriations*

February 2, 2011

HON. NIEL C. TUPAS, JR.

*Chairperson
Committee on Justice*

Dear *Chairperson Tupas*:

Please be informed that the Committee on Appropriations in its meeting held today at Conference Rooms 9 and 10, Ramon V. Misa Building, approved to report out the following bills without amendment:

1. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 3206, entitled "AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF CABAGAN, PROVINCE OF ISABELA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (B) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
2. Substitute Bill to House Bill Nos. 60 and 2157, entitled "AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF DAVAO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (L) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980". AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
3. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 126, entitled "AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF COMPOSTELA AND MABINI, COMPOSTELA VALLEY PROVINCE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (L) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980". AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";

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4. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 142, entitled "AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE PROVINCE OF BATANGAS TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF TANAUAN, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
5. Substitute Bill to House Bill Nos. 163 and 688, entitled "AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND SIX (6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF VALENZUELA, METRO MANILA, 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";
6. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 335, entitled "AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF PILI, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (F) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
7. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 1108, entitled "AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAJIDIOCAN, ISLAND OF SIBUYAN, PROVINCE OF ROMBLON, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
8. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 1115, entitled "AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF TACLOBAN, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (I) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
9. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 1174, entitled "AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAROTAC VIEJO, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (G) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
10. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 1315, entitled "AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF BISLIG, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (L) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";

11. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 1482, entitled "AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF BOGO, PROVINCE OF CEBU, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (H) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
12. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 2226, entitled "AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF LUBUAGAN, PROVINCE OF KALINGA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (B) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
13. Substitute Bill to House Bill Nos. 2049, 2178 and 2179, entitled "AN ACT CREATING FIVE (5) BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF CALAMBA AND THE MUNICIPALITIES OF LOS BANOS AND CABUYAO, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
14. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 2721, entitled "AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF SAGAY, PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (G) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
15. Substitute Bill to House Bill Nos. 525, 526 and 527, entitled "AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND A BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF CEBU TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITIES OF NAGA AND CARCAR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (H) AND SECTION 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
16. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 619, entitled "AN ACT CREATING A REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH IN THE PROVINCE OF AURORA TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF CASIGURAN, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
17. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 1407, entitled "AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL WITH SEATS AT CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129.

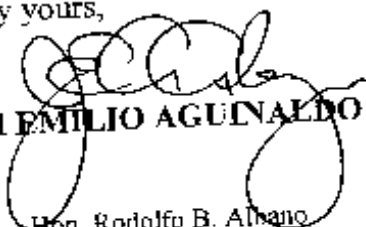
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980". AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";

18. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 1455, entitled "AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR TO BE STATIONED AT ZAMBOANGA CITY AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (J) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980". AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
19. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 1904, entitled "AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH IN THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARMONA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980". AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
20. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 2720, entitled "AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF GUIMBAL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (G) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980". AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
21. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 3060, entitled "AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCHES IN THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA TO BE STATIONED AT STA. ROSA CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980". AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
22. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 3229, entitled "AN ACT CREATING FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT BRANCHES IN MUNTINLUPA CITY, METRO MANILA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 27 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980". AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
23. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 3256, entitled "AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCHES IN THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITIES OF LA CARLOTA AND BAGO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (G) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980". AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
24. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 3459, entitled "AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN TO BE STATIONED AT PUERTO PRINCESA CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129.

OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS
~~AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR~~; and

26. Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 2395, 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";

Very truly yours,


JOSEPH EMILIO AGUINALDO ABAYA *n/h*

cc. Hon. Rodolfo B. Albano
Hon. Karlo Alexei B. Nograles
Hon. Maria Carmen Zamora-Apsay
Hon. Nelson P. Collantes
Hon. Magtanggol T. Gunigundo I
Hon. Rexlon T. Gatchalian
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Hon. Benhur L. Salimbangon
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Hon. Tobias M. Tiangco



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FOR : THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
THRU : THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL FOR COMMITTEE AFFAIRS
RE : SPOT REPORT OF THE MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE HELD ON 09
FEBRUARY 2011, TUESDAY, 9:30 A.M. AT CONFERENCE ROOM NO 11, MITRA
BUILDING, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
DATE : 09 FEBRUARY 2011

A. JOINT WITH THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS

- The Committee on Justice and the Committee on Human Rights approved the Committee Report on the Substitute Bill to House Bill Nos. 307, 440 and 329, respectively authored by Reps. Rolio Goiez, Juan Edgardo Angara and Simson Datumanong, re: Defining the Use and Protection of the Red Cross, Red Crescent, Red Crystal and Red Lion and Sun Emblems, Providing Penalties for Violations Thereof and for Other Purposes.

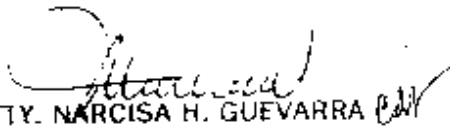
B. COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

- The Committee on Justice approved the Committee Report on the Substitute Bill to House Bill Nos. 214, 237, 1767, 2438, 2681, 2795 and 3834, respectively authored by Reps. Magtanggol Gunigundo I, Pedro Romualdo, Florencio Miraflores, Mercedes Alvarez, Rogelio Espina, George Arnaiz, Rufus Rodriguez and Maximo Rodriguez re: Further Authorizing the City or Municipal Civil Registrar or the Consul General to Correct Clerical or Typographical Error in the Date of Birth or Sex of a Person Appearing in the Civil Register Without Need of a Judicial Order, Amending for the Purpose the Pertinent Provisions of Republic Act No. 9048. Reps. Teodoro Casiño and Rene Relampagos, chairman of the Committee on Human Rights, manifested their intention to be made co-authors of the substitute bill.
- The Committee also approved the Committee Report on the various substitute bills to House Bills re: creation of additional court salas, to wit:
 - HB Nos. 60 and 2157 re: 3 RTC branches (Davao City) by Rep. Karlo Nograles
 - HB Nos. 126 re: 2 RTC branches (Municipalities of Compostela and Marikina, Province of Compostela Valley) by Rep. Ma. Carmen Zamora-Apsay
 - HB No. 142 re: RTC branch (City of Tanauan, Batangas) by Rep. Nelson Collantes
 - HB No. 163 and 688 re: 6 MeTC branches and 2 RTC branches (Valenzuela City), by Reps. Magtanggol Gunigundo I and Rexlon Gatchalian

- HB No. 335 re: RTC branch (Pili, Camarines Sur) by Rep. Luis Villafuerte
- HB Nos. 525, 526 and 527 re: 2 RTC branches and MTC branch (Naga City and Carcar City, Cebu) by Rep. Eduardo Gullas
- ~~HB No. 1108 re: RTC branch (Municipality of Cajidiocan, Romblon) by Rep. Eleandro Jesus Madrona~~
- HB No. 1115 re: 2 RTC branches (Tacloban) by Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez
- HB No. 1174 re: 2 RTC branches (Barotac Viejo, Iloilo) by Rep. Niel Tupas, Jr.
- HB No. 1315 re: RTC branch (Bislig, Surigao del Sur) by Rep. Florencio Garay
- HB No. 1482 re: RTC branch (Bogo, Cebu City) by Rep. Benhur Salimbangan
- HB Nos. 2049, 2178 and 2179 re: 5 RTC branches (Calamba, Cabuyao and Los Baños, Laguna) by Rep. Justin Chipeco
- HB No. 2226 re: RTC branch (Lubuagan, Kalinga) by Rep. Manuel Agyac
- HB No. 2721 re: RTC branch (Sagay City, Negros Occidental) by Rep. Alfredo Marañon III
- HB No. 619 re: RTC branch (Casiguran, Aurora) by Rep. Juan Edgardo Angara
- HB No. 1407 re: 1407 re: 2 MTC branches (Cagayan de Oro) by Rep. Rufus Rodriguez
- HB Nos. 426 and 1455 re: 4 RTC branches (Zamboanga City) by Rep. Maria Isabelle Climaco and Erico Basilio Fabian
- HB No. 1904 re: RTC branch (Carmona, Cavite) by Rep. Roy Loyola
- HB No. 2720 re: RTC branch (Guimbal, Iloilo) by Rep. Janette Garin
- HB No. 3060 re: 2 RTC branches (Sta. Rosa, Laguna) by Rep. Danilo Ramon Fernandez
- HB No. 3229 re: 5 MeTC branches (Muntinlupa City) by Rep. Rodolfo Biazon
- HB No. 3256 re: 2 RTC branches (La Carlota and Bago, Negros Occidental) by Rep. Jeffrey Ferrer
- HB No. 3459 re: 2 MTC branches (Puerto Princesa) by Rep. Victorino Dennis Socrates
- HB No. 2395 re: 3 RTC branches and 2 MeTC branches (Navotas) by Rep. Tobias Tiangco
- HB No. 3206 re: RTC branch (Isabela) by Rep. Rodolfo Albano

Prepared by:

Noted by:


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The Honorable Chairman, Committee on Rules
The Secretary General
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The Deputy Executive Director, Committee Affairs Department
The Service Director, Committee Administrative Support Service