

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

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HOUSE BILL NO. **5620**



Introduced by the Honorable Ann K. Hofer

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to provide for the construction of a Hall of Justice Building for the Zamboanga Sibugay Province.

Zamboanga Sibugay has four (4) court offices, namely, the Regional Trial Court (RTC) Branch 24, Municipal Circuit Trial Court Ipil-Tungawan-RT Lim, RTC Branch 36, and RTC Branch 37. Currently, the offices housing RTC Branch 24 and MCTC are already dilapidated and in need of rehabilitation and refurbishing, while the newly-created RTC Branches 36 and 37 pursuant to Republic Act No. 10577 have no permanent court offices until now.

With the construction of the Hall of Justice building, the Province of Zamboanga Sibugay will be provided with a more suitable and dignified location for all these court offices. More importantly, the court judges and personnel will be able to work more efficiently and productively.

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

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AN ACT
MANDATING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HALL OF JUSTICE BUILDING IN
THE PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR

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

1 SECTION 1. There shall be constructed a Hall of Justice building in the Municipality
2 of Ipil, Zamboanga Sibugay that will serve as the Hall of Justice for the Province of Zamboanga
3 Sibugay.
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5 SEC. 2. Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) is hereby mandated to
6 prepare the plans and specifications of the hall to be constructed in Ipil, Zamboanga Sibugay
7 based on the technical physical design, specification, and allocation requirements set by the
8 Supreme Court of the Philippines for a standard Hall of Justice building.
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10 SEC. 3. To effectively implement the construction of the Hall of Justice building, the
11 DPWH shall include in its annual budget the funds necessary to implement the provisions of
12 this Act. The Local Government Unit of Ipil, Zamboanga Sibugay shall reserve a sufficient
13 parcel of land on which the building shall be built. Thereafter, the ownership of the building
14 and the parcel of land on which the building will be built shall be vested upon the Department
15 of Justice, while the maintenance of said building shall be assigned to the Supreme Court.
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17 SEC 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official
18 Gazette or in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.
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20 Approved,