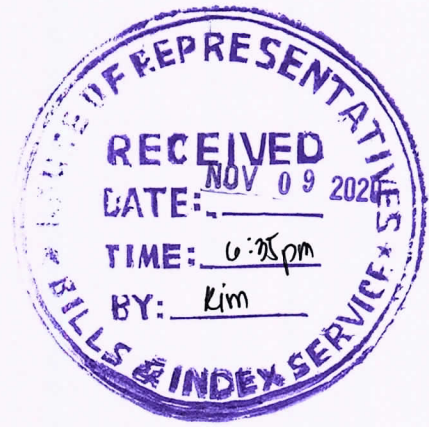


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HOUSE BILL NO. 7990



Introduced by HON. ROGELIO NEIL P. ROQUE

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to hasten the handling and disposition of cases in compliance with Section 16, Article III of the 1987 Constitution which provides as a matter of right of every citizen for the speedy disposition of their cases.

Access to the courts in Bukidnon is very difficult given the population and the number of courts available in the entire province.

The creation of three (3) additional Regional Trial Court branches to be stationed in the City of Valencia, Province of Bukidnon will help unclog or operate to decrease the number of caseloads of the existing RTC branches in the Province of Bukidnon.

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


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**AN ACT
CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL
COURT IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF
VALENCIA, PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14 (K) OF BATAS
PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY
REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980," AS AMENDED**

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

Section 1. Three (3) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the Tenth Judicial Region is hereby created and stationed in the City of Valencia, Province of Bukidnon.

The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers for the newly created branches of the Regional Trial Court.

Section 2. 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 the four (4) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the City of Valencia, Province of Bukidnon, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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1980", as amended, and all other laws, rules, and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed, or modified accordingly.

Section 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

APPROVED,