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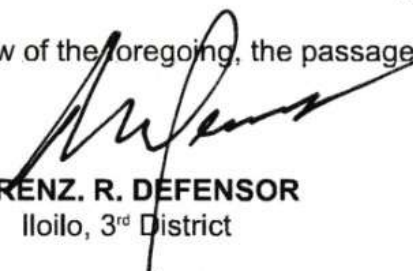
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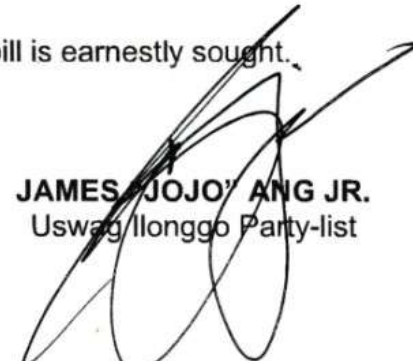
The orderly and efficient administration of justice is one of the hallmarks of a democratic institution.

At present, the Regional Trial Court - Janiway, Iloilo Branch 76 stands as a single sala court. As of 31 December 2022, there are one thousand (1000) pending cases before RTC Branch 76. Annually, the court receives four hundred (400) new cases. The congestion of our courts' dockets leads to the delay in the resolution of cases, increase in the costs of litigation, and a decrease in the peoples' confidence in the justice system.

With an additional branch of the Regional Trial Court in the municipality of Janiway, Province of Iloilo, cases can be heard and resolved more promptly resulting in the efficient and effective administration of justice.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of the bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
CREATING ONE (1) ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN
THE SIXTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
JANIUAY, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION
14(B) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980

SECTION 1. One (1) additional branch of the Regional Trial Court in the Sixth Judicial Region is hereby created and stationed in the Municipality of Januiay, Province of Iloilo. The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number for the newly created branch of the Regional Trial Court

SEC. 2. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall, in coordination with the Secretary of the Department of Justice, immediately include in the Court's program the operationalization of the additional branch of the Regional Trial Court in the Municipality of Januiay, Province of Iloilo. The funds necessary for the operation of the court herein created shall be appropriated and released only upon the actual organization of the court and the appointment of its personnel.

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

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

Approved,