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HOUSE BILL NO. 6056

BY SUN J. SHIMURA

**AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH IN THE
3RD MUNICIPAL CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT IN MEDELLIN
TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
DAANBANTAYAN, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
SECTION 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF
1980"**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This act is established pursuant to the legislative power to create lower courts as mandated by Section 1, Article VIII of the 1987 Constitution, which stipulates that judicial power shall be vested in such lower courts as may be established by law. Recognizing the need for additional judicial resources, this legislation proposes the creation of an additional branch for the 3rd Municipal Circuit Trial Court in Medellin, specifically stationed in the Municipality of Daanbantayan.

The establishment of this additional branch is essential to address the growing population of Daanbantayan and to mitigate the challenges posed by the considerable distance between Daanbantayan and Medellin. Currently, residents

face significant travel burdens when accessing judicial services, which can impede their ability to seek justice and timely resolutions to legal matters.

By creating a municipal trial court branch in Daanbantayan, we aim to ease the overwhelming caseload of the existing sala, ensuring that judicial proceedings are conducted more efficiently and equitably. This initiative reflects our commitment to enhancing access to justice for all citizens, thereby fostering a more responsive and effective judicial system.



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

SECTION 1. There is hereby created a branch of the Municipal Circuit Trial
Court Medellin-San Remigio-Daanbantayan in the 7th Judicial Region to be
stationed at the Municipality of Daanbantayan.

The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number of the newly-created
Municipal Trial Court in the Third Judicial Region.

SEC. 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 Municipal Circuit Trial Court branch to be
stationed at the Municipality of Daanbantayan, the funding of which shall be
included in the annual General Appropriations Act. 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 29 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.

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

Approved,