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Introduced by Honorable Juan Pablo "Rimpy" P. Bondoc

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Batas Pambansa Bilang 129, known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980," allotted the corresponding number of courts per judicial region based on the exigencies existing, and conditions prevailing, in the 1980's. Thirty-five (35) years have passed since the effectivity of said law in 1981, and not only the population, but also the volume of cases filed in court, has increased.

At present, the court dockets of the two (2) branches of the Regional Trial Court stationed at Macabebe, Pampanga, are congested.

In order to improve the disposition and administration of justice, to ensure the right of the accused to speedy trial, and to promote efficient public service, the number of courts must necessarily be increased.

Henceforth, by reason of the foregoing, the approval of the bill is earnestly requested.

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HOUSE BILL NO. ____

Introduced by Honorable Juan Pablo "Rimpy" P. Bondoc

AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT MACABEBE, PAMPANGA, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14 (C) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980," AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

- Section 1. Three (3) additional Regional Trial Courts branches of Macabebe, Pampanga, with seats thereat, are hereby created in the Third Judicial Region.
- Section 2. The Supreme Court shall assign the respective and corresponding branch number for the branches newly created.
- Section 3. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall immediately cause the inclusion in the Court's Program the implementation of this Act.
- Section 4. The funding for the purpose of implementation shall be included in the General Appropriation Act. Further, the funds necessary for the operation of the courts herein created shall be appropriated and released only upon actual organization of the courts and appointment of personnel.
- Section 5. Section 14 (c) of Batas Pambansa Bilang 129 otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980," as amended, as well as other provisions that may be inconsistent herewith, is hereby deemed repealed, modified and/or further amended.
- Section 6. Effectivity- This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after completion of its publication in the Official Gazzette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.