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COMMITTEE REPORT NO.

Submitted by the Committee on Local Government on

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Re: House Bill No. **5161**

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 936

Sponsors: Representatives Pedro B. Acharon, Jr. and Tobias "Toby" M. Tiangco

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Local Government to which was referred House Bill No. 936 introduced by Representative Tobias "Toby" M. Tiangco, entitled:

"AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 55 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9387 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NAVOTAS"

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 5161

"AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE CITY PROSECUTION SERVICE IN THE CITY OF NAVOTAS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 55 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9387, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NAVOTAS"

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 936 with Representative Tobias "Toby" M. Tiangco as the author thereof.

Respectfully submitted:

Pedro B. Acharon, Jr.

Chairman

Committee on Local Government

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HOUSE BILL NO. 5161

Introduced by: Honorable Tobias "Toby" M. Tiangco

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE CITY PROSECUTION SERVICE IN THE CITY OF NAVOTAS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 55 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9387 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NAVOTAS

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

SECTION 1. Section 55 of Republic Act No. 9387 otherwise known as the
Charter of the City of Navotas is hereby amended to read as follows:

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"SEC. 55. The Office of the City Prosecution SERVICE and Public Schools Division. – [The City of Navotas shall remain within the jurisdiction of the office of the city prosecutor of Malabon City, which shall be known hence as the office of the city prosecutor of Malabon City and Navotas.]

(A) THERE SHALL BE ESTABLISHED IN THE CITY, A PROSECUTION SERVICE TO BE HEADED BY A CITY PROSECUTOR AND SUCH NUMBER OF ASSISTANT CITY PROSECUTORS AS MAY BE NECESSARY, WHO SHALL FORM PART OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (DOJ) AND BE UNDER THE SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE SECRETARY OF JUSTICE, AND WHOSE QUALIFICATIONS, MANNER OF APPOINTMENT AND RANK, SALARY AND BENEFITS SHALL BE

GOVERNED	BY	EXISTING	LAWS	COVERING	PROSECUTORS	IN
THE DOJ.						

(B) THE CITY PROSECUTOR SHALL HANDLE THE PROSECUTION OF CASES AND PERFORM SUCH OTHER FUNCTIONS AS PROVIDED BY LAW AND ITS IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS. THE EXISTING CITY PROSECUTION SERVICE IN THE CITY OF MALABON SHALL CONTINUE TO FUNCTION PURSUANT TO EXISTING LAWS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE CITY PROSECUTOR.

THE SECRETARY OF JUSTICE SHALL ALWAYS ENSURE THE ADEQUACY AND THE QUALITY OF PROSECUTION SERVICE IN THE CITY OF NAVOTAS AND, FOR THIS PURPOSE, SHALL, IN THE ABSENCE, LACK OR INSUFFICIENCY IN THE NUMBER OF ASSISTANT CITY PROSECUTORS AS PROVIDED HEREINABOVE, DESIGNATE FROM AMONG THE ASSISTANT PROVINCIAL PROSECUTORS A SUFFICIENT NUMBER TO PERFORM AND DISCHARGE THE FUNCTIONS OF THE CITY PROSECUTION SERVICE.

Likewise, the public schools division for the cities of Malabon and Navotas shall continue to administer public education in both local government units. "

- SEC. 2. The Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) are hereby directed to implement this Act.
- SEC. 3. All laws, decrees, executive orders, 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,

FACT SHEET

House Bill No. _____ (As approved by the Committee on February 14, 2017)

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 55 OF THE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9387 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NAVOTAS

Introduced by: Rep. Tobias "Toby" M. Tiangco

Committee Referral: Local Government Committee Chairperson: Rep. Pedro B. Acharon, Jr.

OBJECTIVE:

 To enable the City of Navotas to comply with the Constitutional mandate of speedy disposition of cases before judicial, quasi-judicial or administrative body as provided for in Art. III, Section 16 of the Constitution.

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Provides that the City of Navotas shall have its own Office of the City Prosecutor to be known the Office of the City Prosecutor of Navotas;
- Mandates the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Department of Budget and Management to implement this Act within thirty (30) days from its effectivity;

RELATED LAWS:

- Article III, Section 16 of the Philippine Constitution.
- Section 55 of Article VII of Republic Act No. 9387 otherwise known as the Charter of the City of Navotas
- Republic Act No. 10299 creating additional three (3) branches of the Regional Trial Court (RTC) and two (2) additional Metropolitan Trial Court (MTC) in the City of Navotas