

Republic of the Philippines  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Quezon City

SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS  
Second Regular Session



COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 438

Submitted by the Committees on Justice and Appropriations on 10 OCT 2017  
Re: House Bill No. 6580

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 3749 and 3566  
Sponsors: Representatives Reynaldo V. Umali, Karlo Alexei B. Nograles, Vicente S.  
E. Veloso, Celso L. Lobregat and Manuel Jose M. Dalipe

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Justice and Appropriations, to which were referred House Bill No. 3749 introduced by Representative Celso L. Lobregat, entitled:

**"AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE NINTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT ZAMBOANGA CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT 10301 WHICH CREATED FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN ZAMBOANGA CITY, WHICH FURTHER AMENDED BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"**

and House Bill No. 3566 introduced by Representative Manuel Jose M. Dalipe, entitled:

**"AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE NINTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT ZAMBOANGA CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (J) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"**

**6580**

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 6580  
entitled:

**"AN ACT**

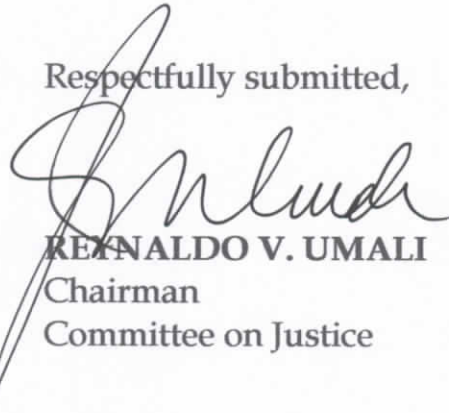
**CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE NINTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN ZAMBOANGA CITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (J) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED"**

be approved in substitution of House Bills Numbered 3749 and 3566, with Representatives Celso L. Lobregat, Manuel Jose M. Dalipe, Reynaldo V. Umali, Karlo Alexei B. Nograles, and Vicente S. E. Veloso as authors thereof.



**KARLO ALEXEI B. NOGRALES**  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations

Respectfully submitted,



**REYNALDO V. UMALI**  
Chairman  
Committee on Justice

**THE HONORABLE SPEAKER**  
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HOUSE BILL NO. **6580**

(in substitution of House Bills numbered 3749 and 3566)

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Introduced by REPRESENTATIVES CELSO L. LOBREGAT, MANUEL JOSE M. DALIPE,  
REYNALDO V. UMALI, KARLO ALEXEI B. NOGRALES, and VICENTE S. E. VELOSO

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**AN ACT**

**CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE NINTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN ZAMBOANGA CITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (J) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 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:*

1       **SECTION 1.** Four (4) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court to be stationed at  
2 Zamboanga City are hereby created in the Ninth Judicial Region.

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4       The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number of the newly-created branches of  
5 the Regional Trial Court in the Ninth Judicial Region.

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7       **SEC. 2.** The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the Secretary of  
8 the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the Court's program the  
9 operationalization of the four (4) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court to be  
10 stationed at Zamboanga City, the funding of which shall be included in the annual  
11 General Appropriations Act.

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

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

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20       Approved,

**House of Representatives  
Committee Affairs Department**

**FACT SHEET**

**House Bill No. 6580**

(in substitution to House Bill Nos. 3749 and 3566)

(Approved by the Ctte. on Appropriations on August 30, 2017)

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*Introduced by: Reps. CELSO L. LOBREGAT AND JOSE M. DALIPE*

*Committee Referral: **Committee on Justice***

*Committee Chairperson: Reps. REYNALDO V. UMALI and  
KARLO ALEXI B. NOGRALES*

**OBJECTIVE:**

- To ensure the speedy disposition of cases and to declog court dockets.

**KEY PROVISION:**

- Creates four (4) additional Regional Trial Court (RTC) branches in the Ninth Judicial Region to be stationed in Zamboanga City.

**RELATED LAWS:**

- BP 129 (Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980)