Submitted by the Committees on Justice and Appropriations on Nov 27, 2019
Re: House Bill No. 5659

Recommend its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 2243 & 3091


Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Justice and Appropriations, to which were referred House Bill No. 2243, introduced by Rep. Alan “Aldu” R. Dujali and House Bill No. 3091 introduced by Reps. Pantaleon D. Alvarez, Alan “Aldu” R. Dujali and Ruwel Peter S. Gonzaga, entitled:

"AN ACT
CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE ISLAND GARDEN CITY OF SAMAL (IGACOS) AND CITY OF PANABO, PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL NORTE, RESPECTIVELY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ‘THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980’, AS AMENDED"

and House Bill No. 3091 have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 5659

entitled:

"AN ACT
CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(L) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ‘THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980’, AS AMENDED"


Respectfully submitted,

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THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
QUEZON CITY
Republic of the Philippines  
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EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS  
First Regular Session  

HOUSE BILL NO. 5659  
(in substitution of House Bills Numbered 2243 & 3091)  


AN ACT  
CREATING TEN (10) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(L) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 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: 

SECTION 1. Ten (10) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the Eleventh Judicial Region are hereby created and stationed as follows:  

(a) Six (6) branches in the Municipality of Nabunturan, Province of Compostela Valley;  

(b) One (1) branch in the Municipality of Compostela, Province of Compostela Valley;  

(c) One (1) branch in the Municipality of Mabini, Province of Compostela Valley;  

(d) One (1) branch in the Island Garden City of Samal, Province of Davao del Norte;  

(e) One (1) branch in the City of Panabo, Province of Davao del Norte.  

The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers for the newly-created branches of the Regional Trial Court.  

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 ten (10) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the Eleventh Judicial Region, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

**SEC. 3.** Section 14(l) 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 publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,
FACT SHEET

House Bill No. 5659
(in substitution of House Bills Numbered 3091 and 2243)
(Approved by the Committee on November 5, 2019)

"AN ACT
CREATING TEN (10) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL
COURT IN THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(L) OF
BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY
REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED"

Introduced by Representatives Pantaleon D. Alvarez, Alan "Aldu" R. Dujali, Ruwel Peter S. Gonzaga,
Vicente "Ching" S.E. Veloso III, Rufus B. Rodriguez, Naealla Rose Bainto-Aguinaldo, Jonathan Keith T.
Flores, Aleta C. Suarez, Juliette T. Uy, Rogelio "Ruel" D. Pacquiao, Arlene D. Brosas, Wesley Gatchalian,
Peter John D. Calderon, Carlos Isagani T. Zarate, Eufemia "Ka Femia" C. Cullamat, Jose Christopher Y.
Belmonte, France L. Castro, Cyrille "Beng" F. Abueg-Zaldivar, Cheryl P. Doloso-Montalla, Josephine
Ramirez-Sato, Sarah Jane I. Elago, Edcel C. Lagman, Alfred D. Vargas, Ferdinand L. Hernandez, Romeo
M. Jalousjos, Jr., Manuel Antonio F. Zubiri, Diego C. Ty, Eddiebong G. Plaza, Joselito "Joel" S. Sacdalan,
Gil "Kabarangay Jr" A. Acosta, Angelo Marcos Barba, Eduardo "Eddie" R. Gullas, Hector S. Sanchez,
Yasser Alonto Balindong, Pablo C. Ortega, Sergio C. Dagoooc, Godofredo N. Guya, Gabriel H. Bordado,
Jr., Stella Luz A. Quimbo, Isagani S. Amatong, Joel Mayo Z. Almaro and Sandra Y. Eriguel, M.D.

Committee Referral: Committees on Justice
Committee Chairpersons: Rep. VICENTE "CHING" S.E. VELOSO

OBJECTIVE:

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

KEY PROVISION:

- Creates ten (10) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court (RTC) in the
  Eleventh Judicial Region, one (1) RTC branch to be stationed in Island Garden
  City of Samal, one (1) branch to be stationed in the City of Panabo, Province of
  Davao del Norte, six (6) in the Municipality of Nabunturan, one (1) in the
  Municipality of Compostela, and one (1) in the Municipality of Mabini, all in the
  Province of Compostela Valley.

RELATED LAWS:

- BP 129 (Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980)