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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. 7024

(in substitution of House Bills Numbered 5532 and 5914)

Introduced by Representatives Ruth Mariano-Hernandez, Vicente "Ching" S.E. Veloso III and Eric Go Yap

AN ACT

CREATING SIX (6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOS BAÑOS AND IN THE CITY OF CABUYAO, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, AND CREATING ONE (1) ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF CABUYAO, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 14(E) AND 29 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:

1 **SECTION 1.** Six (6) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the Fourth Judicial
2 Region are hereby created and stationed as follows:
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- 4 (a) One (1) branch in the Municipality of Los Baños, Province of Laguna; and
5 (b) Five (5) branches in the City of Cabuyao, Province of Laguna.
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7 One (1) additional branch of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities is likewise hereby created
8 and stationed in the City of Cabuyao, Province of Laguna.
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10 The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers for the newly created
11 branches of the Regional Trial Court and Municipal Trial Court in Cities.
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13 **SEC. 2.** The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the Secretary of the
14 Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the Court's program the
15 operationalization of the six (6) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court and one (1)
16 additional branch of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities in the Fourth Judicial Region. The funds
17 necessary for the operation of the courts herein created shall be appropriated and released
18 only upon the actual organization of the courts and the appointment of its personnel.
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20 **SEC. 3.** Sections 14(e) and 29 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as "The
21 Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, and all other laws, rules and regulations
22 which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.
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24 **SEC. 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
25 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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27 Approved,