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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## H. No. 6851

BY REPRESENTATIVES CATAMCO, TUPAS, LIMKAICHONG AND PALMONES, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2629

AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF KIDAPAWAN, PROVINCE OF NORTH COTABATO, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (M) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

- SECTION 1. An additional branch of the Regional Trial Court to be stationed at the City of Kidapawan, Province of North Cotabato is hereby created in the Twelfth Judicial Region.
  - SEC. 2. The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number of the newly-created Regional Trial Court branch in the Twelfth Judicial Region.
- SEC. 3. 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 implementation of this Act. The funding therefor shall
- 9 likewise be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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SEC. 4. Section 14(m) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 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provisions that may be inconsistent herewith, is hereby deemed repealed,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.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,