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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 436

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Justice and Human Rights and Finance on JAN 27 2016.

Re: H. No. 3145

Recommending its approval with amendments.

Sponsor: Senator Pimentel

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Justice and Human Rights and Finance, to which were referred H. No. 3145, introduced by Reps. Leachon, Tupas, and Ungab, entitled:

**"AN ACT  
CREATING AN ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH TO BE STATIONED IN CALAPAN CITY, AND AN ADDITIONAL MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BACO, ALL IN THE FIRST DISTRICT OF ORIENTAL MINDORO, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"**

have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be approved with the following amendments:

- 1) "On Page 1, Section 1, Lines 1-2, delete the phrase "with seat at Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro" after the word "court" and change to the phrase "IN THE CITY OF CALAPAN, SITUATED IN THE FIRST DISTRICT OF ORIENTAL MINDORO";

- 2) "On Page 1, Lines 4-7 and Page 2, Lines 1-2, delete the entire Section 2 and renumber accordingly";
- 3.) "On Page 2, Section 3, Lines 3-4, change the word "numbers" to "NUMBER" and change the word "courts" to "COURT"; thereafter, delete the period and insert the phrase "BRANCH IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION", to read as follows:

"Sec. 3. The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch number for the newly created court branch in the Fourth Judicial Region."

- 3.) "Still on Page 2, Section 4, Lines 7 to 8, delete the phrase "the implementation of this Act." and the sentence "The funding therefor shall likewise be included in the annual General Appropriations Act" and change to "the operationalization of the additional branch of the Regional Trial Court in the city of Calapan, in the First District of Oriental Mindoro, the funding of which shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act"; thereafter, insert the following sentence at the end of the paragraph: "The funds necessary for the operation of the court herein created shall be appropriated and released only upon the actual organization of the court and the appointment of its personnel.";
- 4.) "Still on Page 2, Section 5, Line 9, change the phrase "Sections 14 (e), 30 and 31" to "Section 14 (e)"; on Lines 11 and 12, delete the phrase "as well as other provisions that may be inconsistent herewith, is hereby deemed repealed, modified and/or further amended" and change to "and all other laws, executive orders, and rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed, or modified accordingly.";
- 5.) "Still on Page 2, Section 6, Line 14, delete the phrase "completion of its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in" and change to "ITS COMPLETE PUBLICATION IN"; and

- 6.) Amend the title by changing the phrase "an additional Regional Trial Court branch to be stationed in Calapan City, and an additional Municipal Trial Court branch to be stationed in the Municipality of Baco, all in the First District of Oriental Mindoro," to "AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE CITY OF CALAPAN, SITUATED IN THE FIRST DISTRICT OF ORIENTAL MINDORO, IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION" to read as follows:

**"AN ACT  
CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL  
TRIAL COURT IN THE CITY OF CALAPAN, SITUATED IN THE  
FIRST DISTRICT OF ORIENTAL MINDORO, IN THE FOURTH  
JUDICIAL REGION, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE  
BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE  
JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980,' AS AMENDED,  
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"**

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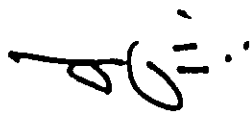
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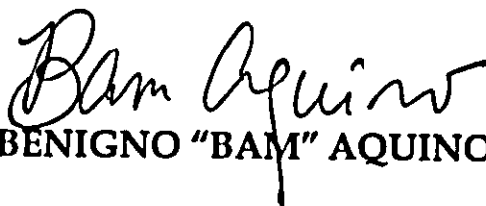
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

II. No. 3145

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BY REPRESENTATIVES LEACHON, TUPAS AND UNGAB

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

- 1           SECTION 1. An additional branch of the Regional Trial Court with  
2 seat at Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro is hereby created in the Fourth Judicial  
3 Region.
- 4           SEC. 2. One (1) additional Municipal Trial Court with seat at the  
5 Municipality of Baco, Oriental Mindoro is hereby also created; thereby  
6 limiting the jurisdiction of the current Municipal Circuit Trial Court seated at  
7 the Municipality of San Teodoro, Oriental Mindoro to cases within the

1 territorial competence of the municipalities of San Teodoro and Puerto Galera  
2 only, both in the First District of Oriental Mindoro.

3 SEC. 3. The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers  
4 for the newly created courts.

5 SEC. 4. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with  
6 the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the  
7 Courts's program the implementation of this Act. The funding thereof shall  
8 likewise be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

9 SEC. 5. Sections 14(e), 30 and 31 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129,  
10 otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended,  
11 as well as other provisions that may be inconsistent herewith, is hereby  
12 deemed repealed, modified and/or further amended.

13 SEC. 6. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after  
14 completion of its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers  
15 of general circulation.

Approved,

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