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- BY REPRESENTATIVES MARCOS, UMALI, NOGRALES (K.A.), VELOSO, DE VERA, FERRER (J.), SUANSING (H.), ROMUALDO, BRAVO (A.), LOPEZ (M.L.), ABAYON, REVILLA, ROCAMORA, BELMONTE (J.C.), SANDOVAL, GONZALES (A.D.), GARBIN, DIMAPORO (M.K.). SALCEDA, LOBREGAT, ABAYA, AMATONG, ARCILLAS, BERNOS, BATAOIL, CAMINERO, CARI, CHAVEZ, CHIPECO, DEFENSOR, DY, ESCUDERO, GO (M.), GONZALES (A.P.), PADUANO, RAMOS, ROQUE (H.), ROQUE (R.), SACDALAN, SARMIENTO (E.M.), SAVELLANO, SUANSING (E.), TAN (A.), TUPAS AND YU, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 302
- AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF BATAC, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (A) 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:

- 1 SECTION 1. Two (2) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court
- 2 are hereby created in the First Judicial Region to be stationed in the City of
- 3 Batac, Province of Ilocos Norte.
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The Supreme Court shall assign the branch numbers for the 5 newly-created Regional Trial Court branches in the First Judicial Region.

1 SEC. 2. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with 2 the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the 3 Court's program the operationalization of the additional Regional Trial Court 4 branches created under this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the 5 annual General Appropriations Act.

6 SEC. 3. Section 14(a) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as 7 "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, and all other laws, 8 rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, 9 repealed or modified accordingly.

 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete
publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation. Approved,

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