



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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**AN ACT**

**CREATING ONE (1) ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF MAASIN, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 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.** One (1) additional branch of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities in the  
2 Eighth Judicial Region is hereby created and stationed in the City of Maasin, Province of  
3 Southern Leyte.

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5       The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number for the newly created branch of  
6 the Municipal Trial Court in Cities.

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8       **SEC. 2.** The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the Secretary  
9 of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the Court's program the  
10 operationalization of the additional branch of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities in the  
11 City of Maasin, Province of Southern Leyte. The funds necessary for the operation of

1 the court herein created shall be appropriated and released only upon the actual  
2 organization of the court and the appointment of its personnel.  
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4 **SEC. 3.** Section 29 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as "The Judiciary  
5 Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, and all other laws, rules and regulations  
6 which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified  
7 accordingly.  
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9 **SEC. 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*  
10 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,