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H. No. 6585

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AN ACT

CREATING SIX (6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE NINTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DIPLAHAN, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14 (J) 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 Ninth
- 2 Judicial Region are hereby created and stationed in the Municipality of Diplahan,
- 3 Province of Zamboanga Sibugay, to be designated as follows:

1 a) One (1) Family Court; and

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3 b) Five (5) regular Regional Trial Courts.

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5 The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers for the newly
6 created branches of the Regional Trial Court.

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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 branches of the Regional Trial Court in the
11 Municipality of Diplahan, Province of Zamboanga Sibugay.

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13 **SEC. 3.** The funds necessary for the implementation of this Act, including
14 appropriations for personnel services such as salaries, benefits and emoluments for
15 judges and court personnel, court operations under maintenance and other operating
16 expenses (MOOE), and provisions for Halls of Justice or courtrooms to accommodate
17 judges and court staff, shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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19 **SEC. 4.** Section 14 (j) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as "The
20 Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, and all other laws, rules and
21 regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or
22 modified accordingly.

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24 **SEC. 5.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
25 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,