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AN ACT

CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF TACLOBAN, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14 (I) 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.** Four (4) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the Eighth
2 Judicial Region are hereby created and stationed in the City of Tacloban, Province of
3 Leyte.

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

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4 **SEC. 2.** The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the Secretary
5 of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the Court's program the
6 operationalization of the additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the City of
7 Tacloban, Province of Leyte.

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

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17 regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or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

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

Approved,