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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 163

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Justice and Human Rights *and*
Finance on MAY 28 2015.

Re: H. No. 606

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. 606, introduced by Reps. Calixto-Rubiano, Tupas, and Ungab, entitled:

**"AN ACT
CREATING FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL
BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT IN THE
NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN
PASAY CITY, METRO MANILA, AMENDING FOR THE
PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (D) AND SECTION 27 OF
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, the Second Paragraph of Section 1, in Line 5, shall become Section 2 of H. No. 606; and renumber accordingly;
- 2) "On Page 2, Section 2, Line 6, capitalize the first letter in the word "annual";

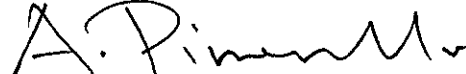
- 3) "On Page 2, Section 2, Line 6, insert the following sentence at the end of the paragraph: **"The funds necessary for the operation of the courts herein created shall be appropriated and released only upon the actual organization of the courts and the appointment of its personnel."**;
- 4) "On Page 2, Section 3, Line 9, insert the phrase **"executive orders and"** between the words "laws" and "rules";
- 5) "On Page 2, Section 4, Line 12, delete the phrase "in the Official Gazette or"; and
- 6) Amend the title by changing the phrase "Metropolitan Trial Court in the National Capital Judicial Region to be stationed in Pasay City, Metro Manila" to **"Metropolitan Trial Court, in the National Capital Judicial Region, to be stationed in Pasay City, Metro Manila"**, to read as follows:

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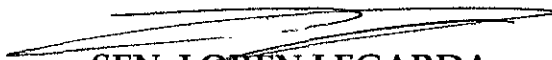
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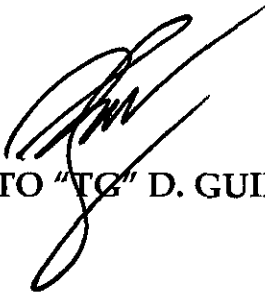


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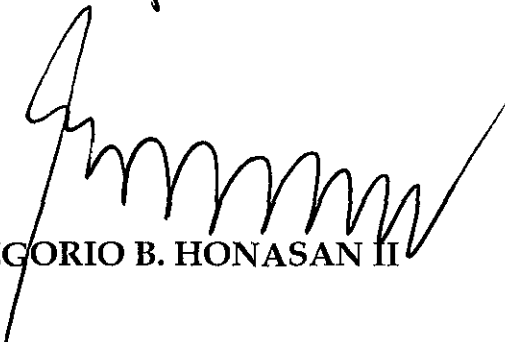


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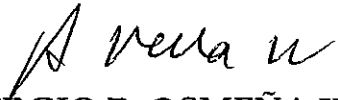
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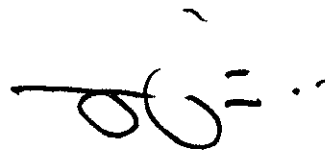


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 606

BY REPRESENTATIVES CALIXTO-RUBIANO, TUPAS AND UNGAB

AN ACT CREATING FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN PASAY CITY, METRO MANILA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (D) AND SECTION 27 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. Five (5) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court
2 and five (5) additional branches of the Metropolitan Trial Court to be
3 stationed in Pasay City, Metro Manila are hereby created in the National
4 Capital Judicial Region.

5 The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers of the
6 newly created branches of the Regional Trial Court and Metropolitan Trial
7 Court in the National Capital 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 five (5) additional branches of
4 the Regional Trial Court and five (5) additional branches of the Metropolitan
5 Trial Court to be stationed in Pasay City, Metro Manila, the funding of which
6 shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

7 SEC. 3. Section 14(d) and Section 27 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129,
8 otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended,
9 and all other laws, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act
10 are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

11 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete
12 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general
13 circulation.

Approved,