



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5071

BY REPRESENTATIVES GULLAS, DATUMANONG AND ANDAYA, PER
COMMITTEE REPORT No. 1362

AN ACT CREATING TWO BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES FOR THE PROVINCE OF CEBU TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF TALISAY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (H) AND SECTION 29 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. Section 14, paragraph (h) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129,
2 otherwise known as the Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980, as amended, is
3 hereby further amended to read as follows:

4 “SEC. 14. *Regional Trial Courts.* –

5 “X X X

1 “(h) [Sixty-four] **SIXTY-SIX** Regional Trial Judges shall
2 be commissioned for the Seventh Judicial Region. There shall
3 be:

4 “X x x

5 “[Thirty-five] **THIRTY-SEVEN** branches with seats thereat
6 for the Province of Cebu and the Cities of Cebu, Danao, .
7 **TALISAY**, Lapu-Lapu, Mandaue and Toledo, with seats at Cebu
8 City, Danao City, **TALISAY CITY**, Argao, Lapu-Lapu City,
9 Mandaue City, Toledo City, Barili, Bogo, and Oslob;

10 “X x x.”

11 SEC. 2. Section 29 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as
12 the “Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980”, as amended, is hereby further
13 amended to read as follows:

14 “SEC. 29. *Municipal Trial Courts in Cities.* – In every
15 city which does not form part of a metropolitan area, there shall
16 be a Municipal Trial Court with one branch, except as hereunder
17 provided:

18 “X x x

19 “**TWO BRANCHES FOR TALISAY CITY;**

20 “X x x.”

1 SEC. 3. 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 two additional Regional Trial Court
4 branches and an additional branch of the Municipal Trial Court in cities for the
5 Province of Cebu to be stationed at Talisay City, the funding of which shall be
6 included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

7 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

 Approved,

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