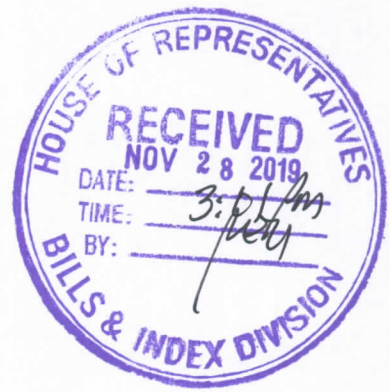


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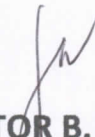
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

"Let the people feel the presence of the government."

Ever since its creation as a regular province and up to the present, the province of Benguet has always been represented by one(1) representative in congress, despite its growth in population and also the corresponding increase in its economy. This fact is disadvantageous to the constituents because a single representative in congress cannot closely respond to all the needs of the people. Moreover, the mountainous topography of the province of Benguet, distribution of population, and other factors, make it imperative to have two(2) congressional districts(District 1 and District 2) in order for the legislative representative to focus on the needs of its constituents and therefore make the delivery of government services more efficient and effective.

It is therefore earnestly requested that support and approval of this measure be favorably granted.


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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REAPPORTIONMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF BENGUET INTO TWO(2) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

Be it enacted by Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled.

Section 1. **Legislative Districts.** The existing lone legislative district of the Province of Benguet is hereby reapportioned into two(2) legislative district as follows:

District 1-The First legislative district shall be composed of the following municipalities:

1. Sablan
2. Tuba
3. Itogon
4. Bokod
5. Kabayan

District 2-The Second legislative District shall be composed of the following municipalities:

1. La Trinidad
2. Tublay
3. Kapangan
4. Atok
5. Buguias
6. Mankayan
7. Bakun
8. Kibungan

Section 2.- **Hold over.** The present representative for the lone district of the Province of Benguet shall continue to represent the whole province until the representatives from the districts herein created shall have been elected and qualified.

Section 3. **Election.** The first election for the purpose of electing the representatives for the herein created legislative districts shall be held on the national and local election following the approval of this Act.

Section 3. **Implementing Rules and Regulations.** The Commission on Election shall issue the Implementing Rules and Regulation to carry out the implementation of this Act, within 30 days from its approval.

Section 6. **Repealing Clause.** All laws, decrees, orders, issuances, ordinances, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

Section 7. **Effectivity Clause.** This Act shall take effect fifteen(15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette, or in any newspaper of general circulation.

APPROVED.