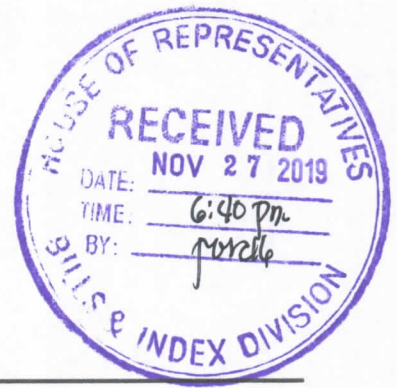


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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 110

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Submitted by the Committees on Justice and Appropriations on _____

Re: House Bill No. 5666

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 1156

Sponsors: Representatives Vicente "Ching" S.E. Veloso III, Isidro T. Ungab, Yedda Marie K. Romualdez and Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Justice and Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 1156, introduced by Reps. Yedda Marie K. Romualdez and Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez, entitled:

"AN ACT

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have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 5666 entitled:

"AN ACT

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be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 1156, with Representatives Yedda Marie K. Romualdez, Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez, Vicente "Ching" S.E. Veloso III, Isidro T. Ungab, Rufus B. Rodriguez, Naealla Rose Bainto-Aguinaldo, Jonathan Keith T. Flores, Aleta C. Suarez, Juliette T. Uy, Rogelio "Ruel" D. Pacquiao, Alan "Aldu" R. Dujali, Ruwel Peter S. Gonzaga, Arlene D. Brosas, Weslie Gatchalian, Peter John D. Calderon, Carlos Isagani T. Zarate, Eufemia "Ka Femia" C. Cullamat, Jose Christopher Y. Belmonte, France L. Castro, Cyrille "Beng" F. Abueg-Zaldivar, Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla, Josephine Ramirez-Sato, Sarah Jane I. Elago, Edcel C. Lagman, Alfred D. Vargas, Ferdinand L. Hernandez, Romeo M. Jalosjos, Jr., Manuel Antonio F. Zubiri, Diego C. Ty, Eddiebong G. Plaza, Joselito "Joel" S. Sacdalan, Gil "Kabarangay Jr" A. Acosta, Angelo Marcos Barba, Eduardo "Eddie" R. Gullas, Hector S. Sanchez, Yasser Alonto Balindong, Pablo C. Ortega, Sergio C. Dagooc,

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ISIDRO T. UNGAB

Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations

Respectfully submitted,



VICENTE "CHING" S.E. VELOSO III

Chairperson
Committee on Justice

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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(in substitution of House Bill No. 1156)

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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.

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5 The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers for the newly-created
6 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 four (4) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the
11 City of Tacloban, Province of Leyte, the funding of which shall be included in the annual
12 General Appropriations Act.

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14 **SEC. 3.** Section 14(i) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as "The Judiciary
15 Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, and all other laws, rules and regulations which
16 are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

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18 **SEC. 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*

- 1 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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- 3 Approved,

House of Representatives
Committee Affairs Department

FACT SHEET

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(Approved by the Committee on November 5, 2019)

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Committee Referral: **Committee on Justice**

Committee Chairperson: **Rep. VICENTE “CHING” S.E. VELOSO**

OBJECTIVE:

- To ensure the speedy disposition of cases and to declog court dockets.

KEY PROVISION:

- Creating four (4) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court (RTC) in the Eight Judicial Region to be stationed in Tacloban, Province of Leyte.

RELATED LAWS:

- **BP 129** (Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980)