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HOUSE BILL NO. **3113**

Introduced by Representative Lianda B. Bolilia

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to create two additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the Fourth Judicial Region, to be stationed at the Province of Batangas with seats at Rosario and San Juan, respectively, by further amending Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, as amended, otherwise known as the Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980.

The Municipalities of Rosario and San Juan are among the most populous in the Province of Batangas. Because of the increase in population and the volume of cases filed in the present court situated in the Municipality of Rosario, the court docket has been clogged and this has resulted in the delay in the resolution of cases.

Based from the present data there are about Two Thousand Five Hundred (2,500) cases pending in court. Therefore, there is a compelling need to increase the Regional Trial Court in Rosario and create a new Regional Trial Court in San Juan both in the Province of Batangas.

Approval of this bill is earnestly requested pursuant to Section 16, Article III of our Constitution which gives all persons the right to a speedy disposition of their cases before all judicial, quasi-judicial, or administrative bodies.



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AN ACT
CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE PROVINCE OF BATANGAS WITH SEATS AT ROSARIO AND SAN JUAN, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. Two (2) additional Regional Trial Court branches in the Fourth Judicial Region are hereby created to be stationed at the Province of Batangas, with seats at Rosario and San Juan, respectively.

SEC. 2. The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers for the newly created branches.

SEC. 3. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the Court's program the implementation of this Act. The funding therefore shall likewise be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. 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.

SEC. 4. Sections 14 (a) and 29 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, as amended, as well as other provisions that may be inconsistent herewith, are hereby deemed repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after completion of its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,