Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City
EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1141

Submitted by the Committees on Justice and Appropriations on August 17, 2021
Re: House Bill No. 9997

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5678

Sponsors: Representatives Vicente “Ching” S. E. Veloso III and Eric Go Yap

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Justice and Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 5678, introduced by Representative Nestor B. Fongwan, Jr., entitled:

"AN ACT
CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA TRINIDAD, PROVINCE OF BENGUET, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, SECTION 30"

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 9997 entitled:

"AN ACT
CREATING ONE (1) ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA TRINIDAD, PROVINCE OF BENGUET, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 30 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED"


Respectfully submitted,

ERIC GO YAP
Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations

VICENTE “CHING” S. E. VELOSO III
Chairperson
Committee on Justice

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

SECTION 1. One (1) additional branch of the Municipal Trial Court in the First Judicial Region is hereby created and stationed in the Municipality of La Trinidad, Province of Benguet.

The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number for the newly created branch of the Municipal Trial Court.

SEC. 2. 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 operationalization of the additional branch of the Municipal Trial Court in the Municipality of La Trinidad, Province of Benguet. The funds necessary for the operation
of the court herein created shall be appropriated and released only upon the actual
organization of the court and the appointment of its personnel.

SEC. 3. Section 30 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as “The Judiciary
Reorganization Act of 1980”, as amended, and all other laws, rules and regulations
which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified
accordingly.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official
Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,
“AN ACT CREATING ONE (1) ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL
TRIAL COURT IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN
THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA TRINIDAD, PROVINCE OF BENGUET, AND
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Introduced by: Representatives Nestor B. Fongwan, Jr., Vicente “Ching” S.E. Veloso III, Eric Go Yap, Strike
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Objective: Committees on Justice and Appropriations
Committee Chairpersons: Rep. VICENTE “CHING” S.E. VELOSO and Rep. ERIC GO YAP

Objective:

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

Key Provisions:

• Creates one (1) additional branch of the Municipal Trial Court (MTC) in the First
Judicial Region to be stationed in the Municipality of La Trinidad, Province of
Benguet.

• Mandates that the funds for the operation of the additional RTC shall be
appropriated and released only upon the actual organization of the court and the
appointment of its personnel.

Related Laws:

• Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as “The Judiciary Reorganization
Act of 1980”