

Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City



**EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS**  
Second Regular Session

**COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1049**

Submitted by the Committees on Justice and Appropriations on **June 2, 2021**

Re: House Bill No. **9581**

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 4458

Sponsors: Representatives Vicente "Ching" S. E. Veloso III, Eric Go Yap, and Teodorico T. Haresco, Jr.

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Justice and Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 4458, introduced by Representative Teodorico T. Haresco, Jr., entitled:

"AN ACT

CREATING TWO (2) NEW BRANCHES OF MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURTS, ALL IN THE SECOND DISTRICT OF AKLAN, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. **9581** entitled:

"AN ACT

CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SIXTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF IBAJAY, AND CONVERTING THE EXISTING MUNICIPAL CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT FOR THE IBAJAY-NABAS CIRCUIT INTO THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT FOR NABAS, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF AKLAN, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 30 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980'"

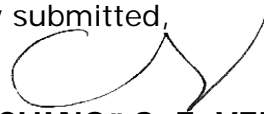
be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 4458, with Representatives Teodorico T. Haresco, Jr., Vicente "Ching" S.E. Veloso III, Eric Go Yap, Rose Marie "Baby" J. Arenas, Jose L. Atienza, Jr., Evelina G. Escudero, Ferdinand L. Hernandez, Rodante D. Marcoleta, Strike B. Revilla, Rufus B. Rodriguez, Deogracias Victor "DV" B. Savellano, Kristine Singson-Meehan, Tyrone D. Agabas, Christopher V. P. De Venecia, Stella Luz A. Quimbo, Carlos Isagani T. Zarate, Elenita Milagros "Eileen" Ermita-Buhain, Lorna P. Bautista-Bandigan, Luis N. Campos, Jr., Junie E. Cua, Luisa Lloren Cuaresma, Paul Ruiz Daza, Rudys Caesar G. Fariñas I, Vincent Franco "Duke" D. Frasco, Greg G. Gasataya, Ed Christopher S. Go, Ruwel Peter Gonzaga, Sandro L. Gonzalez, Romeo M. Jalosjos, Jr., Jocelyn Sy Limkaichong, Romeo S. Momo. Sr., Corazon T. Nuñez-Malanyaon, Manuel T. Sagarbarria, David "Jay-Jay" C. Suarez, Jose Antonio "Kuya" Sy-Alvarado, Alfred D. Vargas, Micaela S. Violago, Manuel F. Zubiri, Antonio "Tonypet" T. Albano, Angelo

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**ERIC GO YAP**  
Chairperson  
Committee on Appropriations

Respectfully submitted,



**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.** Two (2) additional branches of the Municipal Trial Court in the Sixth Judicial Region are hereby created and stationed in the Municipality of Ibayay, Province of Aklan. The existing Municipal Circuit Trial Court for the Ibayay-Nabas circuit is hereby converted into the Municipal Trial Court for the Municipality of Nabas, Province of Aklan.

The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers for the

abovementioned branches of the Municipal Trial Courts.

**SEC. 2.** Upon the actual operationalization of the newly-created Municipal Trial Courts in Ibaday, all cases filed and pending before the former Municipal Circuit Trial Court of Ibaday-Nabas shall be transferred and distributed to the respective Municipal Trial Courts in Ibaday or to the converted Municipal Trial Court in Nabas.

**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 operationalization of the additional branches of the Municipal Trial Court in the Municipality of Ibaday, Province of Aklan. 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.** 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. 5.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

# House of Representatives

## Committee Affairs Department

### FACT SHEET

#### House Bill No. 9581

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(Approved by the Committee on December 16, 2020)

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*Committee Referral: **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 two (2) additional branches of the Municipal Trial Court (MTC) in the Municipality of Iabajay, Province of Aklan.
- Converts the existing Municipal Circuit Trial Court (MCTC) for the Iabajay-Nabas municipal circuit into the MTC Nabas.
- Provides for the transfer and distribution of the pending cases in MCTC Iabajay-Nabas to the newly-created MTCs in Iabajay or to the converted MTC Nabas, as the case may be.
- Mandates that the funds for the operation of the additional MTC branches shall be appropriated and released only upon the actual organization of the courts and the appointment of its personnel.

#### **RELATED LAWS:**

- **Batas Pambansa Blg. 129**, as amended, otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980"