

Republic of the Philippines
Congress of the Philippines
Metro Manila
Thirteenth Congress
Third Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-fourth day of July, two thousand six.

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9375]

AN ACT CREATING TWO BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES FOR THE PROVINCE OF CEBU TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF TALISAY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (H) AND SECTION 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. Section 14, paragraph (h) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as the Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 14. *Regional Trial Courts.* –

"x x x

"(h) Sixty-six Regional Trial Judges shall be commissioned for the Seventh Judicial Region. There shall be:

"x x x

"Thirty-seven branches with seats thereat for the Province of Cebu and the Cities of Cebu, Danao, Talisay, Lapu-Lapu, Mandaue and Toledo, with seats at Cebu City, Danao City, Talisay City, Argao, Lapu-Lapu City, Mandaue City, Toledo City, Barili, Bogo, and Oslob;

"x x x."

SEC. 2. Section 29 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as the Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 29. *Municipal Trial Courts in cities.* – In every city which does not form part of a metropolitan area there shall be a Municipal Trial Court with one branch except as hereunder provided:

"x x x

"Two branches for Talisay City;

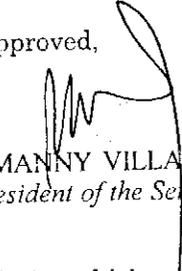
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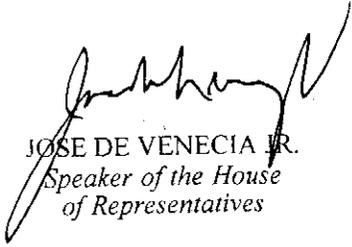
SEC. 3. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the court's program the operationalization of two additional regional trial court branches

and an additional branch of municipal trial court in cities for the Province of Cebu to be stationed at Talisay City, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

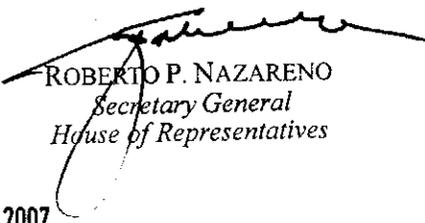
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MANNY VILLAR
President of the Senate

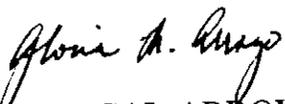

JOSE DE VENECIA JR.
Speaker of the House of Representatives

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was finally passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on April 5, 2006 and December 18, 2006, respectively.


OSCAR G. YABES
Secretary of the Senate


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Approved: MAR 06 2007


GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO
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