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TITLE : AN ACT CREATING THE PROVINCE OF SARANGANI

TEXT :

H. No. 46

Republic of the Philippines
Congress of the Philippines
Metro Manila

Fifth Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-second
day of July, nineteen hundred and ninety-one.

[REPUBLIC ACT No. 07228]

AN ACT CREATING THE PROVINCE OF SARANGANI

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

SECTION 1. The Municipalities of Alabel, Glan, Maasin,
Maitum, Malapatan, Malungon, and Kiamba are hereby segregated
from the Province of South Cotabato and constituted into a
separate province to be known as Sarangani. The present
Province of South Cotabato minus the territory comprising the
municipalities abovementioned shall continue to be known as
South Cotabato.

SEC. 2. Except as otherwise herein provided, all provisions
of law now or hereafter applicable to regularly organized
provinces shall be applicable to the Province of Sarangani.

SEC. 3. The provincial capital of Sarangani shall be the
Municipality of Alabel, and the capitol building and all
other national and provincial offices in the new province
shall be established within the government lots thereat.

SEC. 4. The creation of the Province of Sarangani as
provided in this Act shall be subject to the approval of the
majority of the votes cast by the voters of the affected
areas in a plebiscite to be conducted by the Commission on
Elections within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date
of the effectivity of the law as provided in Section 10 of
the Local Government Code of 1991: Provided, That, should the
voters favor such division, the election of the provincial
officials shall be held simultaneously with the forthcoming

synchronized national and local elections in May 1992:
Provided, further, That, should such election be not possible, the provincial officials shall be elected in special election to be held within sixty (60) days after the plebiscite.

SEC. 5. Upon the effectivity of this Act, the obligations, funds, assets and other properties of the present Province of South Cotabato shall be divided proportionately between the Province of South Cotabato and the Province of Sarangani by the President of the Philippines upon the recommendation of the Commission on Audit.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect upon its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,

MITRA
NEPTALI A. GONZALES
President of the Senate
House

RAMON V.
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 February 3, 1992.

SABIO
ANACLETO D. BADOY, JR.
Secretary of the Senate
General

CAMILO L.
Secretary
House of Representatives

Approved: March 16, 1992

CORAZON C. AQUINO
President of the Philippines