Twentieth Congress
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HOUSE BILL NO. __5303__

Introduced by Representatives Romeo M. Acop and Ronaldo V. Puno

AN ACT
REDISTRICTING AND REAPPORTIONING THE TWO (2) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS OF ANTIPOLO CITY INTO THREE (3) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The rationale for legislative apportionment is provided under *Article VI, Section 5 (3)* of the 1987 Constitution.

"SECTION 5. xxx

(3) Each legislative district shall comprise, as far as practicable, contiguous, compact, and adjacent territory. Each city with a population of at least two hundred fifty thousand, or each province, shall have at least one representative.

(4) Within three years following the return of every census, the Congress shall make a reapportionment of legislative districts based on the standards provided in this section.

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According to the *2024 Census conducted by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)*, Antipolo City now has a population exceeding 900,000. Despite this, the city remains represented by only two (2) legislative districts, resulting in an average of over 450,000 constituents per district—nearly double the constitutional minimum. Antipolo is also the most populous component city in the Philippines, comprising sixteen (16) barangays.

Given its rapid population growth, strategic proximity to Metro Manila, and increasing role in regional migration and economic activity, Antipolo City warrants a

legislative structure that reflects its evolving demographic and developmental profile. Redistricting will not only ensure proportional representation but also enhance the responsiveness and reach of its congressional representatives.

This bill seeks to reapportion Antipolo City into three (3) legislative districts, in accordance with constitutional standards and in pursuit of more effective governance and national participation for the Antipoleños.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

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

SECTION 1. *Short Title.* — This Act shall be known as the "Redistricting Act of Antipolo City of 2025."

SECTION 2. *Declaration of Policy.* — It is hereby declared the policy of the State to ensure equal representation through the creation of legislative districts that are compact, contiguous, and adjacent, thereby promoting more responsive and effective delivery of public services.

SECTION 3. *Reapportionment.* — The present TWO (2) legislative districts of Antipolo City are hereby reapportioned into THREE (3) legislative districts, effective beginning the 2028 National and Local Elections. Each district shall be composed of the following barangays:

First Legislative District of Antipolo City
1. Barangay Cupang
2. Barangay Bagong Nayon
3. Barangay Mambugan
4. Barangay Mayamot
5. Barangay Munting Dilaw

Second Legislative District of Antipolo City
1. Barangay San Roque
2. Barangay Dalig
3. Barangay Inarawan
4. Barangay San Juan
5. Barangay Calawis
6. Barangay San Jose

Third Legislative District of Antipolo City
  1. Barangay Sta. Cruz
  2. Barangay Dela Paz
  3. Barangay San Isidro
  4. Barangay Beverly Hills
  5. Barangay San Luis

SECTION 4. *Incumbent Officials.* — Incumbent Representatives and Sangguniang Panlungsod members shall continue to serve their respective constituencies until the duly elected officials of the newly reapportioned districts have assumed office.

SECTION 5. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* — The Commission on Elections (COMELEC) shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the implementation of this Act within thirty (30) days from its effectivity.

SECTION 6. Repealing Clause. — All laws, executive orders, rules, and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. — This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,