



SENATE

S. No. 452

PREPARED AND SUBMITTED JOINTLY BY THE COMMITTEES
ON CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND
PROFESSIONAL REGULATION; PUBLIC ORDER AND
DANGEROUS DRUGS; AND FINANCE WITH SENATOR
TRILLANES IV AS AUTHOR THEREOF

AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF CRIMINOLOGY
PROFESSION IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, REPEALING
FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6506,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT CREATING THE
BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR CRIMINOLOGISTS
IN THE PHILIPPINES"

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

1 ARTICLE I

2 TITLE, POLICY, OBJECTIVES, TERMS AND PRACTICE

3 SECTION 1. *Title.* – This Act shall be known as "The
4 Philippine Criminology Profession Act of 2018".

5 SEC. 2. *Statement of Policy.* – The State recognizes
6 the importance of criminology profession in national

1 security, public safety, peace and order, and in nation-
2 building and development. Hence, it shall develop and
3 nurture competent, virtuous, productive and well-
4 rounded criminologists whose standards of professional
5 practice and service shall be excellent, qualitative, world-
6 class and globally competitive through sacred, honest,
7 effective and credible licensure examinations, coupled with
8 programs and activities that would promote professional
9 growth and development.

10 SEC. 3. *Objectives.* – This Act shall govern:

11 (a) The examination, registration and licensure for
12 criminologists;

13 (b) The supervision, control and regulation of the
14 practice of criminology;

15 (c) The standardization and regulation of criminology
16 education;

17 (d) The development of the professional competence
18 of criminologists through Continuing Professional
19 Development (CPD); and

1 (e) The integration of all criminology professional
2 groups, and membership of all registered criminologists to
3 the accredited professional organization.

4 SEC. 4. *Definition of Terms.* – As used in this Act,
5 the following terms shall be defined as follows:

6 (a) *APO* refers to the Accredited Professional
7 Organization of criminologists, that the Professional
8 Regulatory Board of Criminology created hereunder and,
9 hereinafter referred to as the Board, as the one and only
10 recognized and accredited integrated national organization
11 of criminologists, subject to the approval of the
12 Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) hereinafter
13 referred to as the Commission created under Republic Act
14 No. 8981, otherwise known as the “PRC Modernization Act
15 of 2000”;

16 (b) *Board* refers to the Professional Regulatory Board
17 of Criminology created hereunder;

18 (c) *CHED* refers to the Commission on Higher
19 Education (CHED) created under Republic Act No. 7722
20 otherwise known as “Higher Education Act of 1994”, in the

1 formulation of policy standards, and monitoring of the
2 criminology education in the country, which shall be
3 assisted by the Criminology Technical Panel composed of
4 the president of the APO, Chairperson of the Board of
5 Criminology, one (1) from the academe, and two (2) from
6 the law enforcement agencies;

7 (d) *Commission* refers to Professional Regulation
8 Commission (PRC) hereinafter referred to as the
9 Commission created under Republic Act No. 8981,
10 otherwise known as the "PRC Modernization Act of 2000";

11 (e) *Criminology* refers to the scientific study of
12 crimes, criminals, and victims, it also deals with the
13 prevention, and solution of crimes;

14 (f) *Profession* refers to the art and science in the
15 practice of criminology discipline; and

16 (g) *Registered Criminologist* refers to a natural person
17 who holds a valid certificate of registration and an updated
18 professional identification card as criminologist issued by
19 the Board and the Commission pursuant to this Act.