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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Constitution, Article XIV, Section 4(1) mandates the State to exercise reasonable supervision and regulation of all educational institutions. The crime incidence in campuses has steadily risen. There is a need to inform the parents and guardian, as well as their children and wards, about crimes that happened in a particular educational institution and about its security policies and procedures.

This bill aims to provide a safe and healthy environment for students by requiring educational institutions:

- 1. To develop security policies and procedures;
- 2. To report crimes on campuses; and
- 3. To develop policies and procedures to address violent crimes on college campuses.*

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^{*} This bill was re-filed during the Thirteenth Congress, First Regular Session.

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TO PROMOTE CRIME AW	AN ACT ARENESS AND SEC	CURITY IN CAMPUSES
Be it enacted by the Senate and I assembled:	House of Representat	ives of the Philippines in Congress
SECTION 1. Short Title. – This	Act may be cited as	the "Crime Awareness and Campus
Security Act of 2007."		
SECTION 2. Declaration of Po-	licy. – It shall be the	policy of the State to provide a safe
and healthy environment for students	by requiring educat	ional institutions to disclose crime
statistics that occur within the campus a	nd its security policie	s and procedures.
SECTION 3. Definition of Term	s. – For the purposes	of this Act, the term:
(A) "Campus" includes -		
(1) Any building or pro	operty owned or con	trolled by an institution of higher
education within the	same reasonably conf	tiguous geographic area and used by
the institution in dire	ct support of, or relate	ed to its educational purposes;
(2) Any building or pr	coperty owned or co	ontrolled by student organizations
recognized by the ins	stitution.	
In cases where branch	campuses of an insti	tution of higher education, schools
within an institution are not wit	thin reasonably contig	guous geographic area, such entities
shall be considered separate car	npuses for purposes of	of the reporting requirements of this

Act.

(B) "Secretary" refers to the Secretary of Department of Education.

1	SECTION 4. Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics
2	Upon effectivity of this Act, each eligible campus shall begin to collect the following
3	information with respect to campus crime statistics and campus security policies and each year
4	thereafter, prepare, publish, and distribute, through appropriate publications or mailings, to all
5	current students and employees, and to any applicant for enrollment or employment upon
6	request, an annual security report containing at least the following information with respect to
7	the campus security policies and campus crime statistics of that institution:
8	(A) A statement of current campus policies regarding procedures and facilities for
9	students;
10	(B) Reports of criminal actions or other emergencies occurring on campus; and
11	(C) Policies concerning the institution's response to such reports.
12	SECTION 5. Separability Clause If any provision or part hereof, is held invalid or
13	unconstitutional, the reminder of the law of the provision not otherwise affected shall remain
14	valid and subsisting.
15	SECTION 6. Repealing Clause Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive
16	order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to, or inconsistent
17	with, the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.
18	SECTION 7. Effectivity Clause This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
19	publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,