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Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to amend certain provisions of Republic Act No. 6506, or "An Act Creating the Board of Examiners for Criminologists in the Philippines and for other Purposes," in order to upgrade and strengthen law enforcement agencies, enhance public safety services and insure a more effective administration of criminal justice by providing the Philippine National Police (PNP), Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP) and Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) a continuing pool of criminology graduates, professional criminologists and criminology experts who have complied with existing government policies and standards for criminology education programs established by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED). With the amendments contained in this bill it is expected that more efficient services in the fields of law enforcement, criminal justice system administration, public safety and safety administration, and correction and jail management will be established.*

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1 AN ACT
2 AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6506, ALSO KNOWN AS "AN ACT CREATING THE
3 BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR CRIMINOLOGISTS IN THE PHILIPPINES," SECTION 23
4 AND 24, ON CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINOLOGISTS

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 23 of Republic Act No. 6506 is, also known as "An Act Creating
6 the Board of Examiners for Criminologists in the Philippines," is hereby amended to read as
7 follows:

8 "Section 23. *Practice of Criminology Defined.* - A person is deemed to be
9 engaged in the practice of Criminology if he holds himself out to the public in any
10 of the following capacities:

11 1. As a professor, instructor or teacher in Criminology in any university,
12 college, or school duly recognized by the government and teaches in any of the
13 following subjects. (a) Law Enforcement Administration, (b) Criminalistics, (c)
14 Correctional Administration, (d) Criminal Sociology and allied subjects, [and] (e)
15 **SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, (F) POLICE ADMINISTRATION, AND**
16 **(G) other technical and specialized subjects in the Criminology curriculum**
17 **provided by the COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION (CHED)**
18 **[Department of Education].**

19 2. As law enforcement administrator, executive, adviser, consultant or
20 agent in any government or private agency **OR SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR IN**
21 **ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.**

1 3. As technician in dactyloscopy, ballistics, questioned documents, police
2 photography, lie detection, forensic chemistry and other scientific aspects of
3 crime detection.

4 4. As correctional administrator, executive supervisor, worker or officer
5 in any correctional and penal institution.

6 5. As counselor, expert, adviser, researcher in any government or private
7 agency on any aspects of criminal research or project involving the causes of
8 crime, juvenile delinquency, treatment of offenders, police operations, law
9 enforcement administration, scientific criminal investigation or public welfare
10 administration.

11 **6. AS A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR AND PRACTITIONER.”**

12 SECTION 2. Section 24 the same law is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 “Section 24. *Privileges of Certified Criminologists.* – All certified
14 criminologistS shall be exempt from taking any other entrance or qualifying
15 government or civil service examination and shall be considered civil service
16 eligibles to the following government positions: (1) dactylographer, (2)
17 ballistician, (3) questioned document examiner, (4) correctional officer, (5) law
18 enforcement photographer (6) lie detection examiner, (7) probation officer, (8)
19 agents in any law enforcement agency, (9) security officer, (10) criminal
20 investigator, [or] (11) police laboratory technician, (12) **SPECIAL**
21 **INVESTIGATOR, AND (13) FIRE ARSON INVESTIGATOR.**

22 Certified criminologistS shall be eligible for appointment [as Patrolman in
23 Chartered Cities and Municipalities] **TO THE INITIAL RANK OF**
24 **INSPECTOR IN THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP), BUREAU**
25 **OF JAIL MANAGEMENT AND PENOLOGY (BJMP), BUREAU OF FIRE**
26 **PROTECTION (BFP) AND ITS EQUIVALENT RANK IN ANY OTHER**
27 **GOVERNMENT AGENCY WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE CRIMINAL**
28 **JUSTICE SYSTEM;** provided they possess the general qualifications for

1 appointment provided in [Section nine, Republic Act Numbered Forty-eight
2 hundred and sixty-four] **REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6975; PROVIDED FURTHER,**
3 **THAT THOSE IN THE NON-OFFICER RANK WHO ARE ALREADY**
4 **REGISTERED CRIMINOLOGISTS OR SUBSEQUENTLY BECOME**
5 **REGISTERED CRIMINOLOGISTS SHALL BE APPOINTED TO THE**
6 **RANK OF INSPECTOR.**

7 **A REGISTERED CRIMINOLOGIST SHALL BE ALLOWED TO**
8 **PRACTICE THE PROFESSION AS AN INDIVIDUAL PRACTITIONER,**
9 **WHICH SHALL INCLUDE PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS AND OTHER**
10 **RELATED FIELDS.”**

11 SECTION 3. *Separability Clause.* - If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or
12 unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or provision not otherwise affected shall remain valid
13 and subsisting.

14 SECTION 4. *Repealing Clause.* - Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive
15 order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule, or regulation contrary to or inconsistent
16 with the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

17 SECTION 5. *Effectivity Clause.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
18 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,