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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Republic Act No. 8049, also known as the "Hazing Regulation Act." does not require a person, who knows of an ongoing hazing activity, to notify the proper authorities. The failure to report the matter allows to go unchecked acts of violence, which could lead to injury or even death.

This bill seeks to amend the Hazing Regulation Act to penalize the failure to report hazing, in order to ensure the timely notification and intervention of the proper authorities.*



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1 AN ACT
2 PENALIZING THE FAILURE TO REPORT ACTS OF HAZING,
3 AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8049

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

6 SECTION 1. Republic Act No. 8049, Article 4 is hereby amended by incorporating a
7 new subsection, Article 4-A, to read as follows:

8 ANY PERSON WHO KNOWS THAT ANOTHER PERSON IS
9 THE VICTIM OF HAZING AND IS AT THE SCENE OF THE CRIME,
10 SHALL TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH PERSON CAN DO SO
11 WITHOUT DANGER OR PERIL TO HIMSELF OR OTHERS, REPORT
12 SUCH CRIME TO AN APPROPRIATE LAW ENFORCEMENT
13 OFFICIAL AS SOON AS REASONABLY PRACTICABLE.

14 WHOEVER FAILS TO REPORT SUCH CRIME SHALL, IF
15 ALREADY LIABLE UNDER SECTION FOUR OF THIS ACT, BE
16 IMPOSED THE PENALTY IN ITS MAXIMUM REGARDLESS OF
17 MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES, OR THE ADDITIONAL PENALTY
18 OF A FINE AT LEAST FIFTY THOUSAND PESOS (P50,000.00) OR
19 BOTH.

20 A PERSON NOT LIABLE UNDER SECTION 4, WHO IS
21 PRESENT AT THE SCENE OF THE CRIME, AND WHO FAILED TO
22 REPORT THE SAME IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FIRST

1 PARAGRAPH OF THIS SUBSECTION, SHALL BE LIABLE AS
2 ACCOMPLICE.

3 SECTION 2. *Separability Clause.* - If any provision, or part hereof, is held invalid or
4 unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or the provision not otherwise affected shall remain
5 valid and subsisting.

6 SECTION 3. *Repealing Clause.* - Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive
7 order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to or inconsistent
8 with, the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

9 SECTION 4. *Effectivity Clause.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
10 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

11 Approved,