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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 11

Submitted by the Committee on Higher and Technical Education on 13 OCT 2016

Re: House Bill No. 4100

Recommending its approval, in substitution of House Bills Numbered 572 and 2314

Sponsors: Representatives Ann K. Hofer, Bellaflor J. Angara-Castillo and Evelina G. Escudero

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Higher and Technical Education, to which were referred:

HB 572, introduced by Rep. Bellaflor J. Angara-Castillo, entitled:

“AN ACT
MANDATING HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS AND TECHNICAL-
VOCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF THE
ACADEMIC COMMUNITY FROM INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL THREATS,
THEREBY CREATING A CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE FOR THIS PURPOSE
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”;

and

HB 2314, introduced by Rep. Evelina G. Escudero, entitled:

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has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 4100, entitled:

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be approved in substitution of House Bills Numbered 572 and 2314 with Reps. Bellaflor J. Angara-Castillo, Evelina G. Escudero, Ann K. Hofer, Arlene B. Arcillas, Lorna P. Bautista-Bandigan, Jose Christopher Y. Belmonte, Aniceto "John" D. Bertiz III, Winston "Winnie" Castelo, Jonas C. Cortes, Julieta R. Cortuna, Manuel Jose "Mannix" M. Dalipe, Maximo B. Dalog, Sarah Jane I. Elago, Jose Enrique S. Garcia III, Greg G. Gasataya, Jocelyn Sy Limkaichong, Carlito S. Marquez, Victoria Isabel G. Noel, Marisol C. Panotes, Rene L. Relampagos, Mark Aeron H. Sambar, Federico "Ricky" S. Sandoval II, Jose Antonio "Kuya Jonathan" R. Sy-Alvarado, Jose "PingPing" I. Tejada, Arnolfo "Arnie" A. Teves Jr., Renato J. Unico Jr., and Divina Grace C. Yu as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,



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HOUSE BILL NO. **4100**

(in substitution of HBs 572 & 2314)

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

- 1 **SECTION 1. *Short Title.*** This Act shall be known as the "Campus Safety and Security Act."
- 2 **Sec. 2. *Declaration of Policies.*** It is the declared responsibility of the State to uphold and
- 3 promote the right of the youth to assistance, including proper care and nutrition, and special
- 4 protection from all forms of neglect, abuse, cruelty and exploitation, and other conditions
- 5 prejudicial to their development as provided under the Constitution. It is also hereby declared the
- 6 policy of the State to ensure access to quality education by ensuring the safety and security of
- 7 students in all institutions of higher learning and recognizing the role of the youth in nation
- 8 building and in the development of the country.

1 **Sec. 3. Scope.** This Act shall apply to all higher education institutions (HEIs) and technical-
2 vocational institutions (TVIs).

3 **Sec. 4. Safety and Security Services.** The HEIs and TVIs shall endeavor to deliver safety and
4 security services to students, which include the provision of safe and secure environment and the
5 conduct of programs and activities that promote safety and security from both internal and
6 external threats.

7 For this purpose, the following shall be provided by HEIs and TVIs:

8 (a) A safe, accessible and secure environment, buildings and facilities that shall comply with
9 government standards. Licensed and competent security personnel shall ensure the safety
10 and security of students and their belongings; and

11 (b) A mechanism for students to help in crime prevention, safety and security of the
12 concerned HEI and TVI.

13 **Sec. 5. Creation of a Crime Prevention Committee.** A Crime Prevention Committee (CPC)
14 shall be established in every HEI and TVI to formulate policies and strategies that shall help
15 protect the academic community from both internal and external threats to their safety and
16 security, such as theft, robbery, rape and other forms of violence within and outside the area
17 where the HEI or TVI is located. The composition of the CPC shall be determined by the
18 governing boards of the HEIs, and the owners/proprietors/administrator of TVIs, as the case may
19 be.
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21 **Sec. 6. Duties and Responsibilities of the CPC.** The CPC shall have the following duties and
22 responsibilities:
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24 (a) To formulate, in consultation, with the School Head, Chief of Police where the college or
25 university is located, *Punong Barangay*, and other security specialists as may be necessary and
26 appropriate, a Crime Prevention Strategy. Such Crime Prevention Strategy shall include the
27 following:
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29 (1) A statement of current campus policies regarding procedures and facilities for
30 students and others to report criminal actions or other emergencies occurring on campus
31 and policies concerning the institution's response to such reports;
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33 (2) A statement of current policies concerning security and access to campus facilities,
34 including campus residences, and security considerations used in the maintenance of
35 campus facilities;
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37 (3) A statement of current policies concerning campus law enforcement including
38 the following:
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40 (a) The enforcement authority of security personnel, including their working
41 relationship with national and local police agencies, and
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1 (b) Policies which encourage accurate and prompt reporting of all crimes to the
2 campus police and the appropriate police agencies;

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4 (4) A description of the type and frequency of programs designed to inform students and
5 employees about campus security procedures and practices and to encourage students and
6 employees to be responsible for their own security and security of others;

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8 (5) A description of programs designed to inform students and employees about the
9 prevention of crimes;

10 (6) A statement of policy concerning the monitoring and recording through local police
11 agencies of criminal activity at off-campus student organizations which are recognized by the
12 institution and that are engaged in by students attending the institution, including those student
13 organizations with off campus housing facilities; and

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15 (7) A statement of policy regarding the possession, use, and sale of alcoholic beverages
16 and enforcement of underage drinking laws and a statement of policy regarding the possession,
17 use and sale of illegal drugs and enforcement of drug laws and a description of any drug or
18 alcohol abuse education programs;

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20 (b) To formulate crime prevention programs for the implementation of the CPC;

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22 (c) To coordinate with college/school administrator, deans, or other officials as the case may be,
23 in the maintenance of peace and order within the school/college/university premises;

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25 (d) To recommend to the school/college/university the conduct of seminars or trainings on the
26 crime and drug prevention and control in coordination with the National Police Commission
27 (NAPOLCOM) regional office, local police station or Department of the Interior and Local
28 Government (DILG);

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30 (e) To conduct intensive information drive on the Crime Prevention Strategy which includes the
31 semestral distribution of copies and orientation thereon; and

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33 (f) To submit to the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) or to the Technical Education
34 and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), through their respective regional offices, the
35 composition of the CPC and its Crime Prevention Strategy, as well as its program of activities
36 and projects for the academic year two (2) months after the closing of enrolment in the first
37 semester and accomplishment report within two (2) months after finishing the second semester
38 or trimester of the academic year.

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40 **Sec. 7. Approval and Review of the Crime Prevention Strategy.** The Crime Prevention Strategy,
41 after approval by the Board of Trustees/Regents of the HEIs or the owners/ proprietors/
42 administrator of the TVIs, shall be submitted to the CHED or TESDA and shall be subject to its
43 review. If found unsatisfactory by the CHED or TESDA, taking into consideration the
44 circumstances of each college or university, it shall be returned to the Board or the owners/

1 proprietors/ administrator for appropriate action: *Provided*, That pending its review, the Plan
2 shall be implemented by the college or university concerned.
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4 The Crime Prevention Strategy shall be subject to review or reassessment by the Board or
5 the owners/ proprietors/ administrator as the case may be, either annually or as often as required
6 by the circumstances.
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8 **Sec. 8. Duties of the CHED Regional Offices and the TESDA Regional Offices.** The CHED
9 Regional Offices and the TESDA Regional Offices shall coordinate, supervise and monitor the
10 implementation of the crime prevention strategy, as approved, and the projects of CPCs, jointly
11 with the National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM) in the region.
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13 The CHED and TESDA shall consolidate regional accomplishment reports as required
14 under Section 6 hereof, and shall submit them to the Office of the CHED Chairperson and the
15 Office of the TESDA Director-General, respectively.

16 **Sec. 9. Administrative Sanctions.** Any HEI or its Board of Trustees or Regents or any TVI or its
17 owners/ proprietors/ administrator, and other officers/persons responsible for the failure to
18 comply with the provisions of this Act shall be subject to administrative sanctions to be imposed
19 by the CHED and TESDA, respectively.
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21 **Sec. 10. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** Within ninety (90) days upon the effectivity of
22 this Act, the CHED and TESDA, in coordination with the Department of Education (DepED),
23 Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges (PASUC), the Coordinating Council of
24 Private Educational Associations (COCOPEA), and the Association of Local Colleges and
25 Universities (ALCU), shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective
26 implementation of this Act.

27 **Sec. 11. Separability Clause.** If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional or invalid,
28 the other sections or provisions not otherwise affected shall continue to be in full force and
29 effect.
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31 **Sec. 12. Repealing Clause.** All laws, executive orders, decrees, instructions, rules and
32 regulations contrary to or inconsistent with any provision of this Act are hereby amended,
33 repealed or modified accordingly.
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35 **Sec. 13. Effectivity Clause.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
36 Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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38 *Approved,*
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FACT SHEET

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Committee Referral: **COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION**

Committee Chairperson : **REP. ANN K. HOFER**

OBJECTIVE :

- To ensure the physical safety and security of the academic community in all higher education institutions (HEIs) and technical-vocational institutions (TVIs) from both internal and external threats

KEY PROVISIONS:

- States that HEIs and TVIs shall endeavour to deliver and safety and security services to students, which include the provisions of safe and secure environment and the conduct of programs and activities that promote safety and security of the academic community and their belongings.
- Mandates HEIs and TVIs to create a Crime Prevention Committee (CPC) that shall formulate policies and strategies to help protect the academic community from

both internal and external threats to their safety and security, such as theft, robbery, rape and other forms of violence within and outside the area where the HEI or TVI is located.

- Provides that the governing boards of HEIs and TVIs will be the ones to approve the crime prevention strategy and to submit the same to the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) or the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)
- Mandates the CHED Regional Offices and the TESDA Regional offices jointly with the National Police Commission to coordinate, supervise and monitor the implementation of the crime prevention strategy approved by the respective governing boards of the HEIs and TVIs, as well as the projects of the CPCs,
- Authorizes the CHED and TESDA to prescribe the appropriate administrative sanctions on HEIs or TVIs that fail to comply with the requirements under this Act.

RELATED LAWS :

- Republic Act 7722 (Higher Education Act of 1994)
- Republic Act 7796 (TESDA Act of 1994)