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House Bill No. 4922

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Since 1954, the year when the first victim of hazing was reported, there have been at least 30 deaths caused by hazing. These 30 deaths are senseless and should have never happened. The victims had bright futures ahead of them. However, due to barbaric "traditions", lives were unnecessarily taken.

These deaths due to hazing should be considered heinous for being grievous, odious and hateful offenses and which, by reason of their inherent or manifest wickedness, viciousness, atrocity and perversity are repugnant and outrageous to the common standards and norms of decency and morality in a just, civilized and ordered society.

In view of the foregoing, immediate approval of this measure is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT

DECLARING HAZING AS A HEINOUS CRIME IF, AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE HAZING, DEATH, RAPE, SODOMY, OR MUTILATION RESULTS THEREFROM

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

**Section 1.** Hazing, as defined by Republic Act 11053 otherwise known as the "Anti-Hazing Act of 2018", is hereby declared a heinous crime if, as a consequence of the hazing, death, rape, sodomy, or mutilation results therefrom.

**Section 2.** Effectivity Clause. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) national newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,