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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE BILL NO. 7108



Introduced by Hon. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo

AN ACT
ENSURING THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE
UNIFORMED PERSONNEL OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL
POLICE BY SUPPORTING THE CONTINUED ENHANCEMENT OF
THEIR SKILLS, FOR OTHER PURPOSES, AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

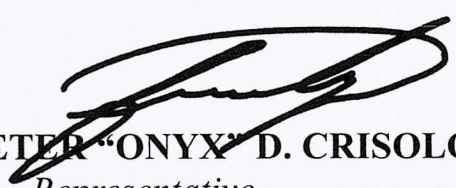
The effectiveness of a country’s law enforcement pivots on the capabilities of its law enforcers. With the paramount objective of the government to ensure the welfare of its citizens, it is necessary to require our law enforcers to consistently undergo trainings to keep them abreast of the changing laws and conditions of our country.

The continuous learning of our uniformed police officers will aid in guaranteeing the quality and efficiency of their work, in order to facilitate the strong protection of the fundamental rights of our citizens. This will also significantly enhance their capacity to control complex situations that concern handling of suspects, victims, and important and delicate evidence, to assist in the effective and just implementation of our laws.

Further, this will encourage them to reaffirm their fervor for public service, and boost their motivation and morale to allow them to have greater confidence in their ability to execute their duties.

This bill seeks to strengthen the capacity of our law enforcers to maintain their competence and ensure that their skills are always aligned with the diverse needs of our communities to guarantee public order and safety.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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

SECTION 1. Declaration of Policy - It is hereby declared a policy of the state to guarantee the quality and effectiveness of its law enforcement by providing measures that facilitate the continuous development and learning of its enforcers.

SECTION 2. Mandatory seminar on bill of rights, gathering and custody of evidence, criminal laws and a refresher on the PNP's Operational Procedures - Uniformed PNP personnel covered by this Act shall regularly take a minimum of twelve (12) hours of compulsory seminar on bill of rights, gathering and custody of evidence, criminal laws and a refresher on the PNP's Operational Procedures every year, to keep them abreast of the new laws created and to ensure the consistent honing of their skills.

SECTION 3. Coverage - Uniformed PNP personnel from the ranks of Patrolman/Patrolwoman (Pat) to Police Lieutenant Colonel (PLTCOL) shall be covered by this Act.

SECTION 4. Program of Study Development and Review - The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall spearhead the development of the Program of Study related to this Act, in close coordination with the National Police Commission and Philippine National Police, and in consultation with the Integrated Bar of the Philippines.

The Program of Study shall include the following topics but should not be limited to:

- a. Bill of Rights
- b. Crimes and offenses punished under the Revised Penal Code and Special Laws
- c. Gathering and Custody of Evidence

- d. Crime Analysis and Crime Prevention Courses¹
- e. Refresher on PNP's Operational Procedures

Further, the Program of Study shall be reviewed and revised every two (2) years to ensure its relevance.

SECTION 5. Provider - The Philippine National Police shall identify qualified professionals or institutions who are highly competent to provide seminars to all individuals covered by this Act.

SECTION 6. Appropriations- The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations- The Department of the Interior and Local Government shall develop the implementing rules and regulations of this act 30 days after its approval.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause - If any of the sections or provisions of this Act is held invalid, all other provisions not affected shall remain valid.

SECTION 9. Repealing Clause - All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations or other issuances or parts thereof contrary to inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. Effectivity - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a news paper of general circulation.

Approved,