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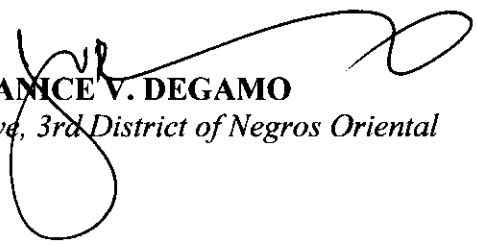
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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

In every thriving community, safety must come first. Without security, families live in fear, businesses hesitate to invest, and progress is hampered. It is with this urgent need for safe and orderly communities that the "District Safety Surveillance Program" is proposed.

By strategically installing modern high-definition CCTV systems in crime-prone and high-traffic areas, we are taking proactive steps to prevent crime, swiftly manage incidents, and save lives. Surveillance technology is not merely a tool for post-incident investigation, it is a powerful deterrent against criminal behavior, a means to ensure traffic discipline, and a pillar of faster, smarter emergency response.

Approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

  
**JANICE V. DEGAMO**  
*Representative, 3rd District of Negros Oriental*

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**AN ACT**  
**ESTABLISHING THE DISTRICT SAFETY SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM IN**  
**THE THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF NEGROS ORIENTAL,**  
**PROVIDING FOR THE INSTALLATION OF CLOSED-CIRCUIT**  
**TELEVISION SYSTEMS, ESTABLISHING A DISTRICT COMMAND**  
**CENTER, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

**Section 1. *Short Title.*** This Act shall be known as the "District Safety Surveillance Act of 2025."

**Section 2. *Declaration of Policy.*** It is hereby declared the policy of the State to ensure the safety, security, and welfare of its citizens. To this end, the State shall employ modern technology to deter crime, improve public order, manage traffic, and enhance the capacity of law enforcement.

**Section 3. *Creation of the District Safety Surveillance Program.*** There is hereby established a "District Safety Surveillance Program" in the Third Congressional District of Negros Oriental.

**Section 4. *Components of the Program.*** The Program shall include:

- (a) Installation of high-definition, weatherproof, and night-vision-enabled closed circuit television system cameras at strategic locations, including but not limited to major intersections, highways, crime-prone areas, public markets, schools, parks, transport terminal, government buildings, and critical infrastructure;
- (b) Installation of hardwired emergency phones with direct lines to emergency responders, including the Philippine National Police (PNP), Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), and Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office (PDRMO) in strategic locations, including but not limited to major intersections, highways, crime-prone areas, public markets, parks and transport terminals;

- (c) Establishment of a "District Command Center" for real-time monitoring, which shall maintain and archive footage for investigation purposes and coordinate rapid response activities to be operated jointly by the Negros Oriental Provincial Police Office (NOPPO), Local Government Units (LGUs), BFP, Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) and Local Stakeholders.

**Section 5. *Lead Implementing Agencies.*** The District Safety Surveillance Program shall be implemented by the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), DICT, BFP, and PNP, in coordination with the concerned LGUs.

**Section 6. *Privacy and Data Protection.*** The implementation of the District Safety Surveillance Program shall adhere strictly to the provisions of Republic Act 10173 as known as the Data Privacy Act of 2012.

**Section 7. *Appropriations.*** The amount necessary for the initial implementation of this Act shall be charged against the current appropriations of the concerned agencies. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for its continued implementation shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act (GAA).

**Section 8. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.*** Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DILG, in consultation with the PNP, LGUs, PDRRMO, DICT shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations to effectively implement the provisions of this Act.

**Section 9. *Separability Clause.*** If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder of this Act shall not be affected thereby.

**Section 10. *Repealing Clause.*** All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**Section 11. *Effectivity.*** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,