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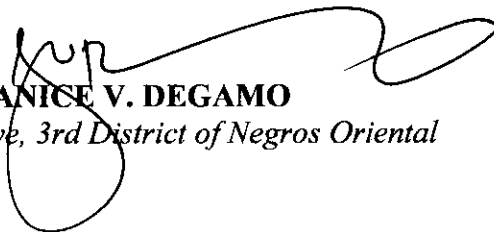
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Public safety and effective law enforcement rely heavily on community cooperation. However, fear of retaliation, mistrust of authorities, and lack of access to secure reporting channels often deter individuals from reporting crimes. In response to these challenges, this measure seeks to create a government-operated, secure, and anonymous online platform that enables citizens to report criminal activities without revealing their identities.

By leveraging technology to enhance public access and protection, this initiative empowers individuals to participate in the fight against crime while ensuring their anonymity. This not only fosters a culture of vigilance and civic responsibility but also complements ongoing efforts to modernize law enforcement strategies.

The passage of this bill will help strengthen crime prevention and promote peace and order across the country.

Approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL WEBSITE FOR ANONYMOUS
REPORTING OF CRIMES AND VIOLATIONS, PROVIDING FOR ITS
ADMINISTRATION, SECURITY, AND FUNDING, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

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 "Anonymous Crime Reporting Website Act of 2025."

Section 2. *Declaration of Policy.* It is hereby declared the policy of the State to uphold public safety and national security by promoting citizen involvement in the detection, prevention, and reporting of crimes. To this end, the State shall establish an accessible, secure, and anonymous online platform to encourage public reporting of criminal acts without fear of retaliation.

Section 3. *Definition of Terms.* For the purposes of this Act:

(a) *Anonymous Crime Report Website (ACRW)* refers to the official government-managed platform that allows individuals to securely and anonymously report crimes and suspicious activities;

(b) *Reporting Party* refers to any individual or entity submitting a crime report through ACRW;

Section 4. *Creation of the Anonymous Crime Reporting Website.* The Department of Justice (DOJ) in coordination with the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), shall develop and maintain an official government website known as the ACRW. This website shall:

(a) Allow anonymous users to submit reports of crimes, suspicious activity, or threats;

(b) Be accessible in both English and Filipino and, where feasible, in major regional languages;

- (c) Include options for uploading supporting evidence such as images, videos, or documents;
- (d) Ensure user anonymity and prevent IP or location tracking;
- (e) Employ advanced encryption and cybersecurity protocols; and
- (f) Include a case reference number for follow-up, without requiring personal information.

Section 5. *Data Privacy and Security.* All submissions and system data shall be governed by the provisions of the Data Privacy Act of 2012. No personal data shall be required from anonymous users. Any attempt to trace, unmask, or identify anonymous users without legal authorization shall be punishable under this Act and existing laws.

Section 6. *Use and Evaluation of Reports.* All reports submitted via the ACRW shall be routed to a centralized task force composed of the DOJ, PNP, and NBI, which shall:

- (a) Evaluate the credibility of submissions;
- (b) Refer validated reports to appropriate field units for action;
- (c) Maintain a secure digital trail of actions taken on each report; and
- (d) Submit an annual assessment report to the House of Representatives on the platform's performance.

Section 7. *Source of Funds.* The initial amount necessary for the development and launch of the ACRW shall be sourced from the unexpended budget of the DOJ and DICT. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for its continued operation and improvement shall be included in the General Appropriations Act (GAA).

Section 8. *Penalties.* Any person who unlawfully accesses the ACRW, tampers with submitted reports, or attempts to expose the identity of reporting parties shall, upon conviction, be punished with imprisonment of not less than six (6) years but not more than twelve (12) years and a fine of not less than Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (₱500,000.00).

Section 9. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DOJ and DICT, in consultation with the PNP, NBI, and relevant stakeholders, shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

Section 10. *Separability Clause.* If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder of this Act shall not be affected thereby.

Section 11. *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 12. *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,