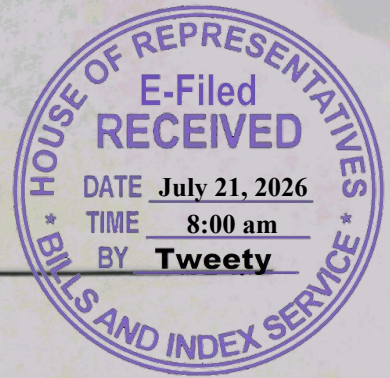


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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 493

Submitted by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture on July 21, 2026
Re : **HOUSE BILL NO. 10134**
Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 325, 2282, and 6159.
Sponsor : Representative Roman T. Romulo

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Basic Education and Culture, to which were referred House Bill No. 325, introduced by Representative Iris Marie Demesa Montes, entitled:

**AN ACT
DECLARING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER OF EACH YEAR AS THE
NATIONAL BULLYING AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH**

House Bill No. 2282, introduced by Representative Ma. Victoria Co-Pilar, entitled:

**AN ACT
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and House Bill No. 6159, introduced by Representative Giselle Mary L. Maceda, entitled:

**AN ACT
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has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 10134, entitled:

**AN ACT
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be approved in substitution of House Bills Numbered 325, 2282, and 6159, with Representatives Iris Marie Demesa Montes, Ma. Victoria Co-Pilar, Giselle Mary L. Maceda, and Roman T. Romulo as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

ROMAN T. ROMULO

Chairperson

Committee on Basic Education and Culture

**THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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House Bill No. 10134
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Introduced by Representatives Iris Marie Demesa Montes, Ma. Victoria Co-Pilar,
Giselle Mary L. Maceda, and Roman T. Romulo

AN ACT
DECLARING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER OF EACH YEAR AS THE NATIONAL
BULLYING AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH

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

1 **SECTION 1.** This Act shall be known as the “National Bullying Awareness and
2 Prevention Month Act.”

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4 **SEC. 2.** The month of September of each year is hereby declared the “National
5 Bullying Awareness and Prevention Month” to raise public awareness about bullying
6 prevention and to underscore the importance of protecting children and youth from
7 abuse, cruelty, exploitation, and other harmful conditions, with the goal of promoting
8 safe learning environments and ensuring equitable access to quality education for all.

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10 **SEC. 3.** In observance of the “National Bullying Awareness and Prevention
11 Month,” an annual program of activities shall be prepared and implemented by the
12 Department of Education (DepEd), in collaboration with the National Youth
13 Commission (NYC) and the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC). The DepEd,
14 NYC, and CWC are authorized to request assistance from other government
15 departments, bureaus, offices, agencies, or instrumentalities, including government-
16 owned or -controlled corporations, as necessary to effectively carry out the objectives
17 of this Act.

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19 The DepEd shall oversee awareness-raising activities on bullying prevention,
20 as well as the prevention of other forms of abuse, cruelty, and exploitation against
21 children, in all public and private elementary and high schools nationwide.

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23 **SEC. 4.** The Philippine Information Agency (PIA) shall, in collaboration with the
24 DepEd, NYC, and CWC, ensure the effective dissemination of information regarding
25 this Act.

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27 **SEC. 5.** All local government units, private organizations, civil society groups,
28 non-governmental organizations, and people’s organizations are encouraged to

1 observe the “National Bullying Awareness and Prevention Month” through simple
2 ceremonies and actively participate in related activities.
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4 **SEC. 6.** Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DepEd shall,
5 in consultation with the NYC, CWC, PIA, and other concerned agencies, issue the
6 necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.
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8 **SEC. 7.** All laws, decrees, orders, rules, and regulations or parts thereof which
9 are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended
10 accordingly.
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12 **SEC. 8.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
13 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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15 *Approved,*

House of Representatives
Committee Affairs Department

FACT SHEET

House Bill No. **10134**
(In substitution of House Bills Numbered 325, 2282, and 6159)

**AN ACT DECLARING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER OF EACH YEAR AS THE
NATIONAL BULLYING AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH**

Introduced by: **REPRESENTATIVES IRIS MARIE DEMESA MONTES, MA.
VICTORIA CO-PILAR, GISELLE MARY L. MACEDA, AND ROMAN
T. ROMULO**

Committee Referral: **COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE**
Committee Chairperson: **REP. ROMAN T. ROMULO**

OBJECTIVE:

- To educate and raise awareness about bullying prevention and the importance of protecting the children and youth from all forms of abuse, cruelty, exploitation, and other conditions prejudicial to their development

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Declares the month of September of each year as the “National Bullying Awareness and Prevention Month”
- Mandates the Department of Education (DepEd), in cooperation with the National Youth Commission (NYC) and the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC), to prepare an annual program of activities in observance of the “National Bullying Awareness and Prevention Month”
- Directs the Philippine Information Agency, in coordination with the DepEd, the NYC and the CWC, to ensure the effective dissemination of information regarding this Act
- Encourages all local government units, private organizations, civil society groups, non-governmental organizations, and people’s organizations to observe the “National Bullying Awareness and Prevention Month” through simple ceremonies and to actively participate in related activities

RELATED LAW:

- Republic Act No. 10627, or the “Anti-Bullying Act of 2013”