



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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BY REPRESENTATIVES DELA CRUZ, ESCUDERO, ZAMORA (M.), MANALO,
OAMINAL, PIAMONTE, GARCIA (G.), COJUANGCO (K.) AND
GATCHALIAN (S.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 481

AN ACT ENHANCING THE ROLE OF PARENT-TEACHER
ASSOCIATIONS IN PROMOTING THE WELFARE AND
PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF CHILDREN AND THE YOUTH,
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLE 77 OF
PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 603, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
THE "CHILD AND YOUTH WELFARE CODE"

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

1 SECTION I. Article 77 of Presidential Decree No. 603, is hereby
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "Art. 77. *Parent-Teacher Associations.* – Every PUBLIC
4 AND PRIVATE elementary and secondary school, INCLUDING
5 SPECIAL SCHOOLS WITHIN OR ATTACHED THERETO, shall
6 organize a parent-teacher association (PTA) for the purpose of
7 providing a forum for the discussion of [problems and their
8 solutions,] MATTERS relating to the total school AND CHILD AND
9 YOUTH WELFARE program[,] and [for i]Ensuring the full
10 cooperation of parents in the efficient implementation of such

1 program. All parents who have children enrolled in a school are
2 encouraged to be active members of its PTA, and to comply with
3 whatever obligations and responsibilities such membership
4 entails.

5 “Parent-Teacher Associations all over the country shall
6 aid the [municipal and other local authorities] LOCAL
7 GOVERNMENT and/OR school officials in the
8 IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMS, PROJECTS AND
9 ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO PROMOTE THE WELFARE AND
10 PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF CHILDREN AND THE YOUTH,
11 INCLUDING THE enforcement of juvenile delinquency control
12 measures, IMPROVEMENT OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE AND
13 OTHER RELATED INITIATIVES [and in the implementation of
14 programs and activities to promote child welfare].

15 “FOR SUCH PURPOSES, PTAS SHALL BE GIVEN
16 EXTENSIVE LATITUDE IN WORKING AND COORDINATING
17 WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND/OR SCHOOL OFFICIALS AS
18 THEY COMPLEMENT THEIR WORK IN IMPLEMENTING A
19 HOLISTIC CHILD AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN. THEY
20 SHALL CONTINUE TO HAVE PERMANENT REPRESENTATION
21 IN THE LOCAL COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN
22 CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 15 OF REPUBLIC ACT
23 NO. 9344, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ‘JUVENILE JUSTICE
24 AND WELFARE ACT OF 2006’ AND IN THE PROVINCIAL, CITY
25 AND MUNICIPAL SCHOOL BOARDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH
26 SECTION 98(B) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE
27 KNOWN AS THE ‘LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991’, AS
28 AMENDED.”

1 SEC. 2. Within ninety (90) days from the approval of this Act, the
2 Department of Education shall, in consultation with the Department of the
3 Interior and Local Government and the Council for the Welfare of Children,
4 promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective
5 implementation of this Act.

6 SEC. 3. All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations
7 contrary or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed,
8 modified or amended accordingly.

9 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication
10 in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

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