

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1978, June 22, 1957]

**AN ACT TO AMEND ARTICLE ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO OF THE
REVISED PENAL CODE, AS AMENDED.**

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

SECTION 1. Article one hundred fifty-two of the Revised Penal Code, as amended by Commonwealth Act Numbered Five hundred seventy-eight, is further amended to read as follows:

"ART. 152. *Persons in Authority and Agents of Persons in Authority—who shall be deemed as such.*—In applying the provisions of the preceding and other articles of this Code, any person directly vested with jurisdiction, whether as an individual or as a member of some court or governmental corporation, board or commission, shall be deemed a person in authority. A barrio lieutenant shall also be deemed a person in authority.

"Any person who by direct provision of law or by election or by appointment by competent authority, is charged with the maintenance of public order and the protection and security of life and property, such as a barrio vice-lieutenant, barrio councilman and barrio policeman, and any person who comes to the aid of persons in authority, shall be deemed an agent of a person in authority.

"In applying the provisions of Articles one hundred forty-eight and one hundred fifty-one of this Code, teachers, professors and persons charged with the supervision of public or duly recognized private schools, colleges and universities, shall be deemed persons in authority."

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved, June 22, 1957.



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