[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1083, June 15, 1954]

AN ACT TO AMEND ARTICLE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE OF ACT NUMBERED THIRTY EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE, AS AMENDED, BY EXTENDING THE PERIOD OF LEGAL DETENTION IN CERTAIN CASES.

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

SECTION 1. Article One hundred and twenty-five of Act Numbered Thirty eight hundred and fifteen, otherwise known as the Revised Penal Code, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"ART. 125. *Delay in the delivery of detained persons to the proper judicial authorities.*—The penalties provided in the next preceding article shall be imposed upon the public officer or employee who shall detain any person for some legal ground and shall fail to deliver such person to the proper judicial authorities within the period of: six hours, for crimes or offenses punishable by light penalties, or their equivalent; nine hours, for crimes or offenses penalties, for crimes or offenses punishable by correctional penalties, or their equivalent; and eighteen hours, for crimes or offenses punishable by affective or capital penalties, or their equivalent.

"In every case, the person detained shall be informed the cause of his detention and shall be allowed, upon his request, to communicate and confer at any time with his attorney or counsel."

SEC. 2. All acts, executive orders, proclamations, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved, June 15, 1954.



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