

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE RIGHT OF ANY PERSON DETAINED, IMPRISONED, OR DEPRIVED OF HIS LIBERTY TO CONFER WITH HIS DULY ACCREDITED ATTORNEY AT ANY HOUR OF THE DAY OR NIGHT, AND FOR...

Act No. 2571., February 04, 1916

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By authority of the United States, be it enacted by the Philippine Legislature, that:

SECTION 1. All public officers, such as sheriffs, wardens of prisons, members of the Constabulary and any other officers having the custody of any person detained, imprisoned, or deprived of his liberty for any reason that may be alleged, shall, unless there be imminent danger of escape, permit any practicing lawyer of these Islands whom such person deprived of his liberty may expressly wish to see or consult, when such lawyer is duly accredited by the prisoner or by a member of his immediate family or by a court of competent jurisdiction, to see and confer with the person so detained, alone and in private, in the jail or any other place of custody, designated by the warden, at any hour of the day or, in urgent cases, of the night.

SEC. 2. Any officer or person violating the provisions of this Act shall be subject to suspension or removal from office.

Enacted, February 4, 1916.

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