

AN ACT PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR WILLFUL DESTRUCTION, INJURY, OR TAKING OR CARRYING AWAY OF ANY PROPERTY OF THE PHILIPPINE LIBRARY.

Act No. 2293, November 08, 1913

Read online (full-text search, related cases, audio case brief): <https://batas.org/library/b11573691ba9/>

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

SECTION 1. Any person who shall willfully, maliciously, or wantonly tear, deface, mutilate, injure, or destroy any book, pamphlet, map, chart, engraving, print, picture, manuscript, or statue, or other property belonging to any division or collection of the Philippine Library; or who shall take and carry away with intent to convert to his own use, any book, pamphlet, map, chart, print, picture, manuscript, statue, or other property of the said library, shall be Penalty-punished by imprisonment for not more than six months or by fine not exceeding two hundred pesos, or at the discretion of the court by both, and shall be required also to return the property so taken or the value thereof, or pay the value of the property mutilated, injured, or destroyed: Provided, That should any of the acts punishable under this law be punishable under the Penal Code by a greater penalty, the penalty prescribed by the Penal Code shall be imposed.

Enacted, November 8, 1913.

ABOUT BATAS.ORG

Study smarter at BATAS.org

The Philippine bar review and law-school companion built around how your brain actually remembers.

The complete Philippine law library - free for everyone.

More than 100,000 Supreme Court decisions, Republic Acts, and executive issuances - full-text searchable, browsable by category and year, and always free. No paywall, no login. This PDF came from it.

Audio case-brief lectures.

Any decision becomes a podcast-style lecture - facts, issues, ruling, and doctrine - with read-along highlighting and a hands-free presentation mode. Study while commuting, working out, or resting your eyes.

Bar review built on the science of memory.

Complete, sequenced courses for all eight bar subjects, narrated like podcasts and reinforced with retrieval practice and spaced review - the study techniques with the strongest evidence behind them.

The full law-school curriculum.

One subscription unlocks the entire J.D. curriculum - every subject, every lesson, with your progress tracked down to the paragraph so you can pick up exactly where you left off, on any device.

Mock exams that tell you where you stand.

Timed multiple-choice exams graded instantly, with per-subject score breakdowns and focus suggestions that point you at your weakest topics first.

A study planner that keeps you on pace.

Set your schedule and BATAS tells you every day whether you are on track for bar day - and exactly which lesson to take next.

Start free at <https://batas.org>

The law library is free forever - and your first lesson is one click away.

The text of this document is an official public record and remains in the public domain. Formatting, presentation, and compilation © 2026 batas.org.

Downloaded free from the batas.org Law Library. Share it freely - the library is free for every law student, bar reviewee, and practitioner.