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ORDINANCE NO. SP-294, S-95

AN ORDINANCE CREATING AN ANTI-SMUT TASK FORCE, EMPOWERING THE SAME TO CONFISCATE NEWSPAPERS AND OTHER PRINT MEDIA WITH LEWD PICTURES AND OBSCENE STORIES.

Introduced by Councilors MICHAEL T. DEFENSOR
and CONNIE S. ANGELES.
Co-Introduced by Councilors Herbert M. Bautista,
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Calalay, Alberto M. Galarpe, Emilio G.
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T. Liban II, Bayani V. Hipol and
Herminio "Butch" C. Bautista.

WHEREAS, the State has the power to prohibit and prevent the distribution, exhibition and sale of obscene literature to the public especially to minors, as embodied in Article 201, paragraph 2 of the Revised Penal Code, to wit:

"xxxxx penalize authors and editors of obscene literature, published with their knowledge in any form with a prison mayor or fine ranging from six thousand pesos (P6,000.00) to twelve thousand pesos (P12,000.00) or both such imprisonment and fine xxxxx";

WHEREAS, various acts and forms of obscenity are also made criminal offenses by other statutes and ordinances;

WHEREAS, obscene materials substantially go beyond customary limits of candor in the description and representation of sex and similar matters;

WHEREAS, the reading thereof would tend to deprave and corrupt the minds of those into whose hands the publication might fall and whose minds are open to such immoral influence;

WHEREAS, the reading of such material would awaken people's desire to satisfy their morbid curiosity and taste for lust and love for excitement, including the youth who, because of their immaturity, are not in a position to resist and shield themselves from the ill and perverting effects of these pictures and stories;