

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7890

AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE 286, SECTION THREE,
CHAPTER TWO, TITLE NINE OF ACT NO. 3815, AS
AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED
PENAL CODE

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

SECTION 1. Article 286, Section Three, Chapter Two, Title
Nine of Act No. 3815, as amended, is hereby further amended to
read as follows:

"ART. 286. *Grave Coercions.* – The penalty of *prision
correccional* and a fine not exceeding six thousand pesos shall be
imposed upon any person who, without any authority of law, shall,
by means of violence, threats or intimidation, prevent another
from doing something not prohibited by law, or compel him to do
something against his will, whether it be right or wrong.

"If the coercion be committed in violation of the exercise of
the right of suffrage, or for the purpose of compelling another to
perform any religious act, or to prevent him from exercising such
right or from so doing such act, the penalty next higher in degree
shall be imposed."

SEC. 2. Section 261, paragraphs (d)(1) and (2), Article XXII
of Batas Pambansa Blg. 881 is hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. All other election laws, decrees, executive orders,
rules and regulation, or parts thereof inconsistent with the
provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. If, for any reason, any section or provision of this
Act, or any portion thereof, the application of such section,

provision or portion to any person, group or circumstance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or application of such section, provision or portion thereof to other persons, groups or circumstances shall not be affected by such declaration.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved, February 20, 1995.