House Bill 4480: Special Protection of Children in Situations of Armed Conflict, 2011

SEC. 5. Definition of Terms . .. As used in this Act:...

(g) Attacks on schools ... refer to the occupation ... of schools ... or disruption of educational activities... It also refers to attacks of such places which have been temporarily abandoned by the community as a result of armed conflict, unless these places have been declared as a "no man's land."

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SEC. 8. Unlawful or Prohibited Acts

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to commit the following acts of grave child rights violations:...
 - (12) Attack on schools
- SEC. 9. Penalties. The following penalties and sanctions are hereby imposed for the offenses enumerated in this Act:...
 - (b) Any person found guilty of committing any of the acts enumerated in subparagraph[] ... 12 of Paragraph (a), Section 8 of this Act shall be punished with an imprisonment of not less than fourteen (14) years but not more than twenty (20) years and a fme of not less than One million pesos (P 1,000,000.00) but not more than Two million pesos (P2,000,000.00)...

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