



Republic of the Philippines  
Tanggapan ng Sangguniang Panlungsod  
City of Naga



**ORDINANCE NO. 2002-057**

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE UNAUTHORIZED INTERCEPTION AND RECEPTION OF SATELLITE PROGRAMS AND OTHER ELECTRONIC SIGNALS ON CABLE TELEVISION AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES THEREFOR:-**

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Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga, that:

**SECTION 1. - TITLE.** - This ordinance shall be known as the “Anti-Cable Tapping Ordinance” of the City of Naga.

**SECTION 2. - DEFINITION OF TERMS.** - As referred to in this ordinance, the following terms shall be understood as follows:

- a. CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM - otherwise known as Community Antennae Television (CATV), refers to equipment and facilities associated with the reception, generation and relay of electronic signals by wire, electromagnetic, optical fiber or other technological means, for the purpose of providing the cable televisions and programs to subscribers within a specific area;
- b. CABLE TELEVISION COMPANY - refers to an outfit duly organized and authorized to engage in the business of cable television under existing Philippine laws, rules and regulations;
- c. PERSON - includes any natural or juridical person.

**SECTION 3. - PROHIBITED ACTS.** - It shall be unlawful for any person to commit the following acts, to wit:

- a. To intercept through tapping, making or causing to be made any connections to existing and duly authorized cable television facilities or drop cable feeder and trunk lines;
- b. To knowingly or wilfully use or receive any benefit of cable television services derived through the employment of any methods mentioned in the next preceding paragraph, without express authority from the duly authorized cable television company or its duly authorized agents and representatives;
- c. To knowingly and wilfully aid or assist the perpetration of the acts enumerated in the two succeeding paragraphs.

**SECTION 4. - PENALTY.** - Any person who commits any of the unlawful acts enumerated in the next preceding section shall be punished with imprisonment of not less than six (6) months and not more than one (1) year or a fine of not less than One Thousand (P1,000.00) Pesos nor more than Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos or both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court. In case of insolvency, the offender shall suffer subsidiary imprisonment to be computed in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Penal Code. If the offender is a corporation or association, the President, Manager, Managing Partner or any officer of the corporation or partnership who directly participated in the violation of this ordinance shall be held liable therefor.

**SECTION 5. - SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** - Any provision/s of this ordinance or portion/s thereof found to be violative of the constitution or invalid shall not impair the other provisions or part/s thereof which shall continue to be in force and in effect.

**SECTION 6. - REPEALING CLAUSE.** - All ordinances, rules and regulations or parts thereof, which are consistent or in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 7. - EFFECTIVITY.** - This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval and publication in a local newspaper of general circulation.

**ENACTED:** August 7, 2002.

**WE HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

**JOSE C. RAÑOLA, M.D.**  
City Councilor/Acting City Vice Mayor  
& Presiding Officer

**GIL A. DE LA TORRE**  
Board Secretary II  
& Secretary Designate

APPROVED:

**JESSE M. ROBREDO**  
City Mayor