# Humanizing CRVS via Legislation

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## Why is there a need to amend the Civil Registry Laws

Civil
Registration
Laws (Act 3753 etc.)



Public,
Government
Agencies,
Stake holders

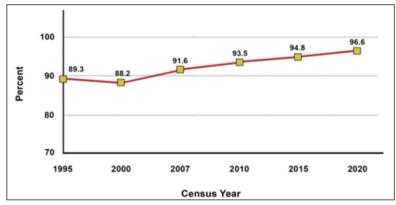
#### Issues that need to be addressed

- Gaps in the organic law in the implementation of CRVS
- Clarity on the structure in the CRVS System
- Promotion of awareness on the importance of CRVS
- Responsiveness of the CRVS process that includes policies, processes and technology
- Alignment of the CRVS System to international Standards



#### **CRVS Statistics**

Figure 1. Proportion of the Household Population with Registered Births: Philippines, 1995 to 2020



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2020 Census of Population and Housing

Registered Deaths (January to October 2022) preliminary

418,027

Registered Marriages (January to October 2022) preliminary

286,555

### **State Declarations and Objectives**

- promote and maintain an efficient, responsive, inclusive, and accessible civil registration and vital statistics system
- standardization and modernization of registration procedures is necessary to establish the identity of an individual for administrative and legal purposes
- efficient and simplified procedures in recording vital events must be applied in civil registration in order to establish the most precise identity of an individual for the benefit of the general public
- registration of all births, deaths, and marriages without discrimination as a national State policy
- harmonize this policy with national frameworks on civil registration on the principle of inclusivity, accessibility and cultural sensitivity
- institutionalize and maintain a legal framework related to the Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (CRVS), ensuring a system that provides equal access that is affordable, available and that provides protection of the rights of all citizens, especially children
- reaffirm the commitment of the State to the international standards and recommendations,
   according to the principles of the universal human right to be recognized as a person before the law

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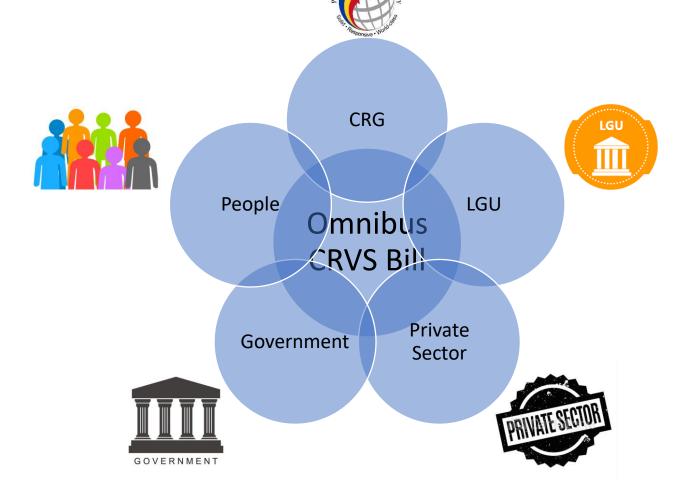


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General Relationship Diagram





Who's going to do what?

Organizational Structure

Establishment of Rules

Coordination

Information Dissemination

Use of Technology

Address Social needs

Capacity Building Dynamic Policy Making

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#### **Features of the Legislation**

- Rationalization of the functions of the <u>National Statistician and Civil Registrar General</u>
- Rationalization of the functions of the <u>Local Civil Registrar including Consul General</u>
- Functions of other stakeholders
- Coordination with stakeholders
- Strengthening of information dissemination and campaigns among the stakeholders
- Establishment of a Barangay Civil Registration System wherein barangay officials
- Minimize cost impact of civil registration
- Providing dynamic policies and stremlined rules and regulations taking into consideration international standards and customs and practices of different sectors
- Adoption of Technology
- Institutionalization of continuing education of local civil registrar and other stakeholders involved in the preparation of civil registry documents
- Awareness of Vital Statistics
- Strict implementation of CRVS rules by providing appropriate penalties and procedures to address violations

#### Recommendations

- 1. Coordination with various stakeholders
- 2. Lobby the passage of a Comprehensive CRVS Bill
- 3. Information dissemination of the CRVS initiatives



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