Quezon City supports establishment of LGBT desks in police stations

THE Quezon City Council has passed a resolution supporting House Bill 2952, which seeks to establish Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Help and Protection Desks in police stations nationwide.

City Resolution 7426-2018, introduced by Councilor Lena Marie Juico, states that LGBT members are becoming targets of discrimination and violence which affect their economic, social, and physiological well-being.

"In spite of this reality, there is an absence of government mechanism or intervention directed to monitor, let alone address, the incidents of discrimination and even violence against the Filipino LGBT community," Juico said.

Through the said bill, the LGBT desks are set up in each police station that act on all cases involving crimes against chastity, sexual harassment, and abuses committed against LGBTs in the country.

The PNP is also tasked to ensure the gender neutrality of its human resource processes, from the recruitment and selection to the promotion and deployment of police officers.