

XVII. The New Penal Code

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SECTION TWO.—Infanticide and abortion

ART. 255. *Infanticide*.—The penalty provided for parricide in article 246 and for murder in article 248 shall be imposed upon any person who shall kill any child less than three days of age.

If the crime penalized in this article be committed by the mother of the child for the purpose of concealing her dishonor, she shall suffer the penalty of *prisión correccional* in its medium and maximum periods, and if said crime be committed for the same purpose by the maternal grandparents or either of them, the penalty shall be *prisión mayor*.

ART. 256. *Intentional abortion*.—Any person who shall intentionally cause an abortion shall suffer:

1. The penalty of *reclusión temporal*, if he shall use any violence upon the person of the pregnant woman.
2. The penalty of *prisión mayor* if, without

using violence, he shall act without the consent of the woman.

3. The penalty of *prisión correccional* in its medium and maximum periods, if the woman shall have consented.

ART. 257. *Unintentional abortion*.—The penalty of *prisión correccional* in its minimum and medium periods shall be imposed upon any person who shall cause an abortion by violence, but unintentionally.

ART. 258. *Abortion practiced by the woman herself or by her parents*.—The penalty of *prisión correccional* in its medium and maximum periods shall be imposed upon a woman who shall practice an abortion upon herself or shall consent that any other person should do so.

Any woman who shall commit this offense to conceal her dishonor, shall suffer the penalty of *prisión correccional* in its minimum and medium periods.

If this crime be committed by the parents of the pregnant woman or either of them, and they act with the consent of the offenders shall suffer the penalty of *prisión correccional* in its medium and maximum periods.

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