HAZING

Hazing, defined by Massachusetts law as: “any conduct or method of initiation into any student organization, whether on public or private property, which willfully or recklessly endangers the physical or mental health of any student or other person. Such conduct shall include whipping, beating, branding, forced calisthenics, exposure to the weather, forced consumption of any food, liquor, beverage, drug or other substance, or any other brutal treatment or forced physical activity which is likely to adversely affect the physical health or safety of any such student or other person, or which subjects such student or other person to extreme mental stress, including extended deprivation of sleep or rest or extended isolation. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section to the contrary, consent shall not be available as a defense to any prosecution under this action.” Disciplinary action will be pursued aggressively.

Hellenic College Holy Cross’ hazing policy replicates the General Laws of Massachusetts – Chapter 269: Section 17 - Hazing; organizing or participating; hazing defined, Chapter 269: Section 18 - Failure to report hazing, and Section 19 - Issuance to students and student groups, teams, and organizations; report.