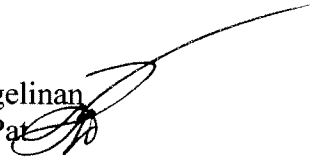


**MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
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**AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 4 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED,
CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 3, SECTION 4302(c) RELATIVE TO
INCLUDING A GOVERNMENT OF GUAM RETIREE IN THE
NEGOTIATING TEAM TO ADVOCATE FOR HEALTH CARE
BENEFITS.**

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Purpose and Legislative Intent. For the past twenty (20) years, the Government of Guam has negotiated with numerous health insurance companies to determine health care benefits for active government of Guam employees and retirees. Existing law establishes the Negotiating Team which consists of representatives of various government of Guam agencies including the Guam Retirement Fund (“Fund”). However, the Fund representative is present in the negotiations to protect the integrity of the Fund and does not represent the retirees. The retirees and their health care needs are an important component when benefits are negotiated with health insurance companies and the government of Guam and currently there is no representation from this group on the negotiating team.

Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guahan* that a government of Guam retiree be part of the Negotiating Team to advocate for their health care needs.

Section 2. Title 4 Guam Code Annotated, Chapter 4, Article 3 Section 4302(c) is hereby amended to read as follows:

“§4302. Same: Health Insurance or Provision of Health Care.

(c). A Negotiating Team consisting of the Director of Administration, who shall be Chairperson, the Administrator of the Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities (‘DISID’), or his or her designee; the Director of the Bureau of Budget and Management Research, or his or her designee; an employee representative

1 from the Judicial Branch to be appointed by the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of
2 Guam; an employee representative from the Legislative Branch to be appointed by the
3 Speaker of the Guam Legislature; the Director of the Guam Public School System, or his
4 or her designee; the Director of the Government of Guam Retirement Fund, or his or her
5 designee, a retiree who is a member of the Guam Retirement Fund to be appointed by the
6 Board of Trustees of the Guam Retirement Fund, shall examine the financial information
7 of the prepaid health insurance companies, the health care providers or other legal entities
8 for the purpose of developing the most economical and beneficial health plan for
9 government of Guam employees and retirees. The Negotiating Team may obtain
10 technical support from other financial and health-related agencies. The Negotiating
11 Team shall develop its rules of procedure in accordance with the Administrative
12 Adjudication Law.”

13 **Section 3. Severability.** *If* any provisions of this Act or its application to any
14 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such invalidity shall *not*
15 affect other provisions or applications of this Act which can be given effect without the
16 invalid provisions or applications, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.