# I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2021 (FIRST) Regular Session VOTING RECORD

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Senator Joe S. San Agustin	1					
Senator Amanda L. Shelton	1					
Senator Telo T. Taitague	1					
Senator Jose "Pedo" Terlaje	1					
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje	1					
Senator Mary Camacho Torres					J	J
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## AN ACT TO AMEND § 120.60 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 120, TITLE 8, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING TESTING FOR HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) OF THOSE CHARGED WITH CRIMINAL SEXUAL ABUSE OR CONDUCT AT THE REQUEST OF VICTIMS.

#### **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that a victim of a criminal offense that involves the transmission of body fluids, or involves certain sexual offenses in which the victim is a minor, disabled adult, or elderly person, is entitled to know at the earliest possible opportunity whether the person charged with the offense has tested positive for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection.

8 *I Liheslatura* further finds that to deny victims access to HIV test results 9 causes unnecessary mental anguish in persons who have already suffered trauma; 10 and, because medical science now recognizes that early diagnosis is a critical factor in the treatment of hepatitis and HIV infection, both the victim and the person
charged with or alleged by petition for delinquency to have committed the offense
benefit from prompt disclosure of hepatitis and HIV test results. HIV testing is
beneficial to the parties involved, but it also serves to protect the health, safety, and
welfare of the community in general.

6 I Liheslatura further finds that the Bureau of Women's Affairs and the Federal 7 Programs Office recently received a Nine Hundred Thousand Dollar (\$900,000) 8 grant from the Office on Violence Against Women to employ six (6) more nurses 9 trained to administer forensic sexual assault exams under the Improving Criminal 10 Justice Responses (ICJR) to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, 11 and Stalking Grant Program. A condition of this grant is that the jurisdiction must 12 meet the requirements under 34 U.S.C. § 10461(d) concerning HIV testing of 13 individuals charged with sexual assault; and, if requirements are not met, five 14 percent (5%) of grant funds will be withheld.

15 It is, therefore, the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to further the care and 16 treatment of victims of sexual assault by providing them with critical medical 17 information about their assailants through the provision of an additional statutory 18 mechanism whereby a court may order HIV testing of individuals who are charged 19 with committing certain sexual offenses.

Section 2. § 120.60 of Article 1, Chapter 120, Title 8, Guam Code
Annotated, is hereby *amended* to read:

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# "§ 120.60. Medical Examinations of Those Convicted of Criminal Sexual Abuse and Services to Victims of Criminal Sexual Conduct.

(a) Any person convicted of criminal sexual conduct shall submit to
the necessary medical examinations for determining whether such convicted
person is infected with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or with any
other sexually transmitted disease such as, but not limited to, the examination

of such convicted person's blood, urine, genital discharge, or lesions. The Department of Public Health and Social Services shall administer and analyze such necessary medical examinations in accordance with standard medical procedures and HIPAA confidentiality and privacy laws and regulations.

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The court shall furnish the results of such examinations to the victim, or parent of a minor victim, or guardian of the victim of such conduct, and to the convicted person, and comply with HIPAA confidentiality and privacy laws and regulations as required within the criminal justice system.

9 (b) Upon the victim's request, the prosecutor shall petition for an 10 order requiring the person charged with an offense of criminal sexual conduct under Chapter 25 of Title 9, Guam Code Annotated, to submit to a medical 11 12 examination for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). Upon a finding that there is probable cause that the alleged sexual contact or sexual penetration 13 14 involved in the offense would pose a risk of transmission of HIV, the court 15 shall order the defendant to submit to the necessary medical examinations for 16 determining whether such person is infected with the HIV. An examination 17 for HIV of a defendant's blood, urine, genital discharge, or lesions shall be 18 administered no later than forty-eight (48) hours after the date on which the 19 formal indictment is presented and the defendant is in custody or has been 20 served with the indictment. The Department of Public Health and Social 21 Services shall administer and analyze medical examinations, including 22 follow-up testing, in accordance with standard medical procedures, and 23 HIPAA confidentiality and privacy laws and regulations.

Upon reasonable request, the court may authorize testing at a private clinic. Any and all costs of such testing at a private clinic shall be borne by the defendant. The test results from the private clinic must be provided to the court as well as to the defendant. 1 The court shall furnish the results of such examinations to the victim, 2 or parent of the minor victim, or guardian of the victim, and to the defendant, 3 and comply with HIPAA confidentiality and privacy laws and regulations as 4 required within the criminal justice system.

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(c) The Department of Public Health and Social Services with the assistance of the Sexual Abuse and Rape Crisis Center shall provide services to victims of criminal sexual conduct. Such services to the victim shall be free of charge, and shall include, but are not limited to:

9 (1) pre and post-HIV testing, counseling on HIV prevention 10 and other sexually transmitted diseases (STD), and ensuring that the 11 victim understands the implications of HIV and STD testing, their 12 benefits and results of the test(s); HIV or any other sexually transmitted 13 disease testing in accordance with standard medical procedures and 14 applicable law; and

15 (2) providing referrals for appropriate health care and support
16 services.

Such treatment shall not be construed to interfere with or diminish any
medical support already provided by any health insurer, agency or office; nor
shall provision of the services or treatment required by this Section relieve
any health insurer of its duty to provide coverage."