

I MINA 'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

2024 (SECOND) Regular Session

VOTING RECORD

Bill No. 244-37 (COR) As amended by the Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, Labor, Procurement, and Statistics, Research, and Planning; and further amended on the Floor.	Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco Legislative Session Hall Guam Congress Building April 26, 2024					
NAME	Aye	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent	Excused
Senator Chris Barnett	✓					
Senator Frank Blas, Jr.	✓					
Senator Joanne Brown	✓					
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas	✓					
Senator Thomas J. Fisher	✓					
Senator Jesse A. Lujan	✓					
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes	✓					
Senator William A. Parkinson	✓					
Senator Sabina Flores Perez	✓					
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata	✓					
Senator Joe S. San Agustin	✓					
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas	✓					
Senator Amanda L. Shelton	✓					
Senator Telo T. Taitague	✓					
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje	✓					

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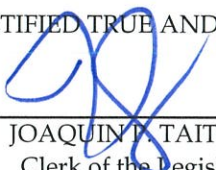
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JOAQUIN TAITAGUE
Clerk of the Legislature

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Introduced By:

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**AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 57109 TO CHAPTER 57 OF
TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO
PROVIDING A GUAM IDENTIFICATION CARD AND
GUAM REAL ID FEE WAIVER FOR JUNIORS AND
SENIORS IN HIGH SCHOOL, FOSTER CHILDREN OR
CHILDREN UNDER THE CUSTODY OF CPS, A
JUVENILE UPON ORDER BY THE COURT, AND
RESIDENTS OF GUAM AGED SIXTY-FIVE (65) YEARS
OR OLDER.**

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

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds
3 that persons who lack a valid identification (ID) card can find themselves
4 marginalized and excluded from employment opportunities, essential services, and
5 assistance, to include access to health care, housing, and public benefits. In addition,
6 a valid identification card is also required to open a bank account, cash a check, pick
7 up a prescription, travel, and enter certain government buildings.

8 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that a good ID system includes strategies to
9 ensure access to identification for all, with particular attention to groups at high risk

1 of exclusion such as the elderly, veterans, the forcibly displaced, ethnic, and
2 linguistic minorities, people with disabilities, and economically disadvantaged
3 individuals.

4 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that minors entering adulthood,
5 especially those who fall into an at-risk group or do not have access to reliable
6 support systems and transportation, are also at a disadvantage to acquiring valid
7 identification that is necessary for employment, essential services and assistance,
8 and enrolling into higher education, or training programs.

9 It is, therefore, the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to improve access to a
10 valid identification card for minors entering adulthood by requiring that all
11 applicable fees for a Guam Identification Card be waived for any Guam resident
12 who is seventeen (17) years of age, or who will be turning seventeen (17) years of
13 age in the next twelve (12) months, who does not already possess a valid driver’s
14 license or United States passport.

15 **Section 2.** A new § 57109 is hereby *added* to Chapter 57 of Title 10, Guam
16 Code Annotated, to read as follows:

17 **“§ 57109. Guam Identification Card and Guam Real ID Fee Waiver for**
18 **Juniors and Seniors in High School, Foster Children or Children Under the**
19 **Custody of CPS, a Juvenile Upon Order by the Court, and Residents of Guam**
20 **Aged Sixty-five (65) Years or Older.**

21 (a) All applicable fees for a Guam Identification Card shall be
22 waived for any Guam resident who does not already possess a valid driver’s
23 license or United States passport that does not expire on or before their
24 eighteenth (18th) birthday and is enrolled as a junior or senior in high school,
25 a foster child or a child under the custody of CPS, a juvenile required to obtain
26 an identification card upon order by the Superior Court of Guam, and residents

1 of Guam aged sixty-five (65) years or older, as defined in § 57108 of this
2 Chapter.

3 (b) GDOE and DRT shall work to implement a system convenient
4 to high school juniors and seniors and parents to minimize time away from
5 school and away from work to obtain an ID.

6 (c) Village Mayors shall expedite their responses to requests for
7 Verification of Residency as requested by GDOE, the Superior Court of
8 Guam, or the Department of Public Health and Social Services for those
9 covered under this Section and may send said responses via email directly to
10 the Department of Revenue and Taxation and to the Department of Public
11 Health and Social Services as requested.”

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

17 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.