## *I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* 2016 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 356-33 ( con

Introduced by:



## AN ACT *ADD* A NEW § 34111.1 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 34, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE PROTECTION OF THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT FUND OF THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

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

2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds 3 that the bank account that receives and distributes funds collected pursuant to child 4 support orders is known as the Child Support Trust Account. It has historically 5 been and remains under the administrative control of the Department of 6 Administration ("DOA"), the agency that manages bank accounts for line agencies of the government of Guam. The funds in the Child Support Account are obtained 7 from payments by parents for the support of their children, are not General Fund 8 9 revenues, and therefore should not be used, transferred, or otherwise accessed for 10 any reason not related to the administration of child support payments.

11 It is, therefore, the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* that these Funds be kept 12 separate and apart from other General Fund accounts, and that effective controls be 13 in place to ensure that these funds are used solely for the administration of child 14 support payments, *or* as allowed by law.

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Section 2. A new § 34111.1 is *added* to Article 1 of Chapter 32, Title 5,
Guam Code Annotated to read:

3 "§ 34111.1. Transfers from Child Support Enforcement Account The Child Support Enforcement Account ("Account") under the 4 Limited. 5 administration of the Department of Administration is hereby established separate 6 and apart from all other funds and accounts of the government of Guam. The Account shall be used in accordance with Chapters 34 and 35 of Title 5, Guam 7 Code Annotated, and Title IV-D of the Social Security Act for purposes related to 8 9 payment of child support. These funds shall not be transferred or used without the 10 written approval of the Attorney General of Guam."