



EDDIE BAZA CALVO
Governor

RAY TENORIO
Lieutenant Governor

Office of the Governor of Guam

May 25, 2011

31-11-566

Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker
I Mina'trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
155 Hesler Street
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

5/24/11
11:30am

Dear Madame Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Substitute Bill No. 157-31 (COR) "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §4121 TO CHAPTER 4, AND A NEW §2103.2 TO CHAPTER 2, ALL OF TITLE 5; AND TO REPEAL AND REENACT §1106 OF CHAPTER 1 OF TITLE 2, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE SUSPENSION OF THE SALARIES OF *I MAGA'LAHEN GUAHAN*, *I SEGUNDU NA MAGA'LAHEN GUAHAN*, AND THE SENATORS OF *I LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN* IN THE EVENT OF A GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN CAUSED BY THE FAILURE TO ENACT AN ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORGANIC ACT", which I signed into law on May 24, 2011 as **Public Law 31-71**.

Senseramente,

EDDIE BAZA CALVO

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Attachment: copy of Bill

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I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2011 (FIRST) Regular Session

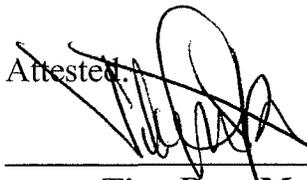
CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO *I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN*

This is to certify that **Substitute Bill No. 157-31 (COR)**, “AN ACT TO *ADD A NEW §4121 TO CHAPTER 4, AND A NEW §2103.2 TO CHAPTER 2, ALL OF TITLE 5; AND TO REPEAL AND REENACT §1106 OF CHAPTER 1 OF TITLE 2, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE SUSPENSION OF THE SALARIES OF I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN, I SEGUNDU NA MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN, AND THE SENATORS OF I LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN IN THE EVENT OF A GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN CAUSED BY THE FAILURE TO ENACT AN ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORGANIC ACT*”, was on the 10th day of May, 2011, duly and regularly passed.



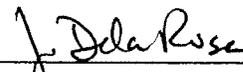
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Speaker

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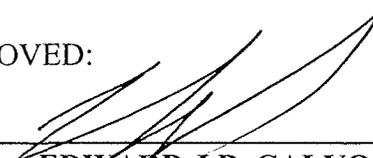
Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan* this 16th day of May, 2011, at
2:20 o'clock P.M.



Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'lahaen's Office

APPROVED:



EDWARD J.B. CALVO
I Maga'lahaen Guåhan

MAY 24 2011

Date: _____
Public Law No. 31-71

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2011 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 157-31 (COR)

As substituted on the Floor.

Introduced by:

R. J. Respicio
T. C. Ada
V. Anthony Ada
F. F. Blas, Jr.
B. J.F. Cruz
Chris M. Dueñas
Judith P. Guthertz, DPA
Sam Mabini, Ph.D.
T. R. Muña Barnes
Adolpho B. Palacios, Sr.
v. c. pangelinan
Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.
M. Silva Taijeron
Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.
Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

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

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guahan* finds
3 that the primary responsibility of the elected leadership of the executive and

1 legislative branches of the government of Guam is the preparation and
2 implementation of an annual operating budget to sustain the important functions of
3 the government of Guam. Should Guam’s elected leadership fail in this task and
4 cause a government shutdown, resulting in disruption of vital public services for
5 the people of Guam, then it is only fair and appropriate that the salaries for these
6 elected officials also cease until such time as an annual operating budget is enacted
7 into law.

8 **Section 2. Suspension of Executive Salaries.** (a) A new §4121 is *added*
9 to Chapter 4, Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, to read:

10 “§4121. **Suspension of Salary of *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*.** In the
11 event that the annual operating budget for the government of Guam expires
12 and *no* new annual operating budget has been enacted into law in accordance
13 with the Organic Act, or rolled over from the previous year, then the salary
14 of *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*, *shall* be suspended and will resume prospectively
15 *only* when a new annual operating budget for the government of Guam is
16 enacted into law. This §4121 *shall* be subject to the following provisions:

17 (a) Such suspension of salary *shall not* take place if the
18 failure to enact an annual budget is due to an emergency
19 resulting from a natural or other disaster, or hostile
20 action.

21 (b) The government of Guam’s share of retirement, Social
22 Security, and health and other insurance payments *shall*
23 be the individual responsibility of *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*
24 for the suspension period.”

25 (b) A new §2103.2 is *added* to Chapter 2, Title 5, Guam Code
26 Annotated, to read:

1 **“§2103.2. Suspension of Salary of *I Segundu Na Maga’lahen***
2 ***Guåhan*.** In the event that the annual operating budget for the government
3 of Guam expires and *no* new annual operating budget has been enacted into
4 law in accordance with the Organic Act, or rolled over from the previous
5 year, then the salary of *I Segundu Na Maga’lahen Guåhan* shall be
6 suspended and will resume prospectively *only* when a new annual operating
7 budget for the government of Guam is enacted into law. This §2103.2 shall
8 be subject to the following provisions:

9 (a) Such suspension of salary shall not take place if the
10 failure to enact an annual budget is due to an emergency
11 resulting from a natural or other disaster, or hostile
12 action.

13 (b) The government of Guam’s share of retirement, Social
14 Security, and health and other insurance payments shall
15 be the individual responsibility of *I Segundu Na*
16 *Maga’lahen Guåhan* for the suspension period.”

17 **Section 3. Suspension of Legislative Salaries.** §1106 of Chapter 1 of
18 Title 2, Guam Code Annotated, is hereby *repealed and reenacted* to read:

19 **“§1106. Legislative Compensation and Allowances.**

20 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, legislative compensation and
21 allowances shall be:

22 (a) Compensation of each member of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*
23 [the Guam Legislature] shall be paid in twenty-six (26) equal
24 installments at the rate per annum of fifty percent (50%) of the annual
25 salary of a judge of the Superior Court; the compensation of the
26 Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* shall be paid in twenty-six (26)
27 equal installments at the rate per annum of fifty percent (50%) of the

1 annual salary of the presiding judge of the Superior Court. Such
2 compensation *shall* be paid out of funds to be appropriated to *I*
3 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* [the Guam Legislature].

4 (b) From the date of enactment of this Subsection (b) and
5 until the end of Fiscal Year 2003, the annual salary of Senators of *I*
6 *Mina'Bente Siete Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* [the Legislature] *shall* be
7 based on eighty percent (80%) of the amount as computed according
8 to Subsection (a) of this Section, for a reduction of twenty percent
9 (20%).

10 (c) In the event that the annual operating budget for the
11 government of Guam expires and *no* new annual operating budget has
12 been enacted into law in accordance with the Organic Act, or rolled
13 over from the previous year, then the salaries of the Senators of *I*
14 *Liheslaturan Guåhan shall* be suspended and will resume
15 prospectively *only* when a new annual operating budget for the
16 government of Guam is enacted into law. This subsection (c) *shall* be
17 subject to the following provisions:

18 (1) Such suspension of salaries *shall not* take place if the
19 failure to enact an annual budget is due to an emergency
20 resulting from a natural or other disaster, or hostile
21 action.

22 (2) The government of Guam's share of retirement, Social
23 Security, and health and other insurance payments *shall*
24 be the individual responsibility of the Senators of *I*
25 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* for the suspension period."

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I MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

2011 (FIRST) Regular Session

Date: May 10, 2011

VOTING SHEET

SBill No. 157-31(COR)

Resolution No. _____

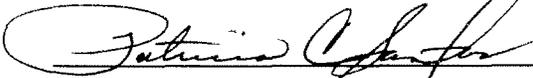
Question: _____

<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>NOT VOTING/ ABSTAINED</u>	<u>OUT DURING ROLL CALL</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
ADA, Thomas C.	✓				
ADA, V. Anthony	✓				
BLAS, Frank F., Jr.	✓				
CRUZ, Benjamin J. F.	✓				
DUENAS, Christopher M.	✓				
GUTHERTZ, Judith Paulette	✓				
MABINI, Sam	✓				
MUNA-BARNES, Tina Rose	✓				
PALACIOS, Adolpho Borja, Sr.	✓				
PANGELINAN, vicente (ben) cabrera		✓			
RESPICIO, Rory J.	✓				
RODRIGUEZ, Dennis G., Jr.	✓				
SILVA TAIJERON, Mana	✓				
WON PAT, Judith T.	✓				
YAMASHITA, Aline A.	✓				

TOTAL

14 1 _____ _____ _____

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


Clerk of the Legislature

* 3 Passes = No vote
EA = Excused Absence



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April 29, 2011

The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker
I Mina' trentai Unu na Liheslaturan Guåhan
155 Hesler Place
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

RE: Committee Report on Bill No. 157-31 (COR)

2011 MAY -9 AM 10:26
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Hafa Adai Speaker Won Pat:

The Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources hereby reports out its findings and recommendations on **Bill No. 157-31 (COR) –R.J. Respicio – “An act to add a new §4121 to Chapter 4, Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated to provide for the suspension of the salaries of *I Maga'Lahen Guahan, I Segundo Maga'Lahen Guahan, and the Senators of I Liheslaturan Guahan in the event of a government shutdown caused by the failure to to enact an annual operating budget for the Government of Guam in accordance with the Organic Act.*”**

Committee votes are as follows:

- 8 TO DO PASS
- 0 TO NOT PASS
- 0 TO REPORT OUT ONLY
- 0 TO ABSTAIN
- 0 TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

Very Truly Yours,

Rory J. Respicio
Rory J. Respicio
Committee Chairperson



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COMMITTEE REPORT ON BILL NO.157-31 (COR) Sponsored by R.J. Respicio

“An act to add a new §4121 to Chapter 4, Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated to provide for the suspension of the salaries of *I Maga'Lahen Guahan*, *I Segundo Maga'Lahen Guahan* and the Senators of *I Liheslaturan Guahan* in the event of a government shutdown caused by the failure to enact an annual operating budget for the Government of Guam in accordance with the Organic Act.”



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April 29, 2011

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members

From: Senator Rory J. Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: Committee Report – Bill No. 157-31 (COR)

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report **Bill No. 157-31 (COR) – Rory J. Respicio - "An act to add a new §4121 to Chapter 4, Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated to provide for the suspension of the salaries of *I Maga'Lahen Guahan, I Segundo Maga'Lahen Guahan, and the Senators of I Liheslaturan Guahan in the event of a government shutdown caused by the failure to enact an Annual Operating Budget for the Government of Guam in accordance with the Organic Act.*"**

This report includes the following supporting documents:

- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest
- Copy of Bill No. 157-31 (COR)
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Referral of Bill No. 157-31 (COR)
- Fiscal Note for Bill No. 157-31 (COR)
- Notices of Public Hearing
- Public Hearing Agenda

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!



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COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

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	SIGNATURE	TO DO PASS	TO NOT PASS	TO REPORT OUT ONLY	TO ABSTAIN	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE
Senator Rory J. Respicio Chairperson		 4/27/14				
Senator Judith P. Guthertz Vice-Chairperson						
Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Member						
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz Member		 4/27/14				
Legislative Secretary Tina Rose Muña Barnes Member						
Senator Thomas C. Ada Member		 4/24				
Senator vicente c. pangelinan Member						
Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, JR. Member						
Senator Adolpho B. Palacios Member		 4/29/11				
Senator Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D. Member		 4/29/11				
Senator Christopher M. Duenas Member		 4/28/11				



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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

BILL NO. 157-31 (COR) – Introduced by: R.J. Respicio

“An act to add a new §4121 to Chapter 4, Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated to provide for the suspension of the salaries of *I Maga’lahen Guahan, I Segundu Maga’lahen Guahan*, and the Senators of *I Liheslaturan Guahan* in the event of a government shutdown caused by the failure to enact an annual operating budget for the government of Guam in accordance with the Organic Act.”

I. OVERVIEW

A public hearing was scheduled by Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs and Human & Natural Resources on Bill No. 157-31 (COR) on Tuesday, April 26, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at the Public Hearing Room of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña, Guam.

Public Notice Announcements

In accordance with the Open Government Law, the first notice of this hearing was sent to all main media outlets and all senators on April 19, 2011; and a second notice was sent on April 22, 2011.

Senators Present

Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson

Senator Tina Rose Muña Barnes, Member

II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

Senator Respicio opened the hearing with an explanation of the single subject on the agenda, the consideration of Bill No. 157-31 (COR). “An An act to add a new §4121 to Chapter 4, Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated to provide for the suspension of the salaries of *I Maga’lahen Guåhan, I Segundu Maga’lahen Guåhan*, and the Senators of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* in the event of a government shutdown caused by the failure to enact an annual operating budget for the government of Guam in accordance with the Organic Act.”

He said that the bill called for the suspension of salaries for the governor, lieutenant governor, and all senators in the event of a government-wide shut down caused by an inability to pass an annual operating budget for the Government of Guam.

Senator Respicio added that passing a responsible operating budget is a joint responsibility, and if a combined failure were to negatively impact the operation of our government, and affect our people, it is only fitting that those responsible share in the penalty.

Senator Respicio noted that just the latest of several bill he has introduced to improve the budgetary process, and praised Appropriations Chairman Senator Ben Pangelinan for his accurate and detailed work on the past two GovGuam budgets. He noted that Bill 157 was not prompted by actions taken by any of the government entities, but instead was motivated by national headlines had been proclaiming the pending shutdown of the U.S. federal government for several weeks, bringing to the forefront the need for leaders to work together.

Senator Muña Barnes said that the Legislature has taken big steps to make sure that the process of preparing the annual budget has been improved by the actions taken over the past few years.

Senator Respicio said that hand-delivered or electronically transmitted testimony would be accepted for the next ten days or until the bill was discussed at session, whichever came first.

There being no testimony offered, Senator Respicio declared Bill No. 157-31 (COR) publicly heard and adjourned the hearing at 6:00 P.M.

III. FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee on Rules, Federal, Foreign & Micronesia Affairs and Human & Natural Resources hereby reports out **Bill No. 157-31 (COR)** with the recommendation **TO DO PASS.**

2011 APR 18 PM 11:07
H. J. Respcio

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2011 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 157-31 (COR)

Introduced by:

R. J. RESPICIO


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7 in this task and cause a government shutdown, resulting in disruption of vital
8 public services for the people of Guam, then it is only fair and appropriate
9 that the salaries for these elected officials also cease until such time as an
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1 **Section 2. A new §4121 is added to Chapter 4, Title 5 of the Guam**
2 **Code Annotated to read:**

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5 new annual operating budget has been enacted into law in accordance
6 with the Organic Act, or rolled over from the previous year, then the
7 salaries of *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*, *I Segundu Maga’lahen Guåhan*, and the
8 Senators of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* shall be suspended until such time as a
9 new annual operating budget for the government of Guam is enacted
10 into law, at which time such salaries shall be reinstated. This § 4121
11 shall be subject to the following provisions:

- 12 **a.** Such suspension of salaries *shall not* take place if the failure
13 to enact an annual budget is due to an emergency resulting
14 from a natural or other disaster, or hostile action.
- 15 **b.** The Government of Guam’s share of retirement, Social
16 Security, and health and other insurance payments *shall be*
17 the individual responsibility of *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*, *I*
18 *Segundu Maga’lahen Guåhan*, and the Senators of *I*
19 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* during the suspension of executive
20 salaries.

**Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Fiscal Note of Bill No. 157-31 (COR)**

AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §4121 TO CHAPTER 4, TITLE 5 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED TO PROVIDE FOR THE SUSPENSION OF THE SALARIES OF I MAGA'LAHEN GUÁHAN, I SEGUNDU MAGA'LAHEN GUÁHAN, AND THE SENATORS OF I LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN IN THE EVENT OF A GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN CAUSED BY THE FAILURE TO ENACT AN ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORGANIC ACT.

Department/Agency Appropriation Information	
Dept./Agency Affected: Office of I Maga'láhen Guáhan	Dept./Agency Head: Frank P. Arriola, Chief of Staff
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	5,725,254
Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date: Indirect Cost Fund	388,103
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	\$6,113,357
Dept./Agency Affected: I Liheslaturan Guáhan	Dept./Agency Head: Vince P. Arriola, Executive Director
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	8,108,910
Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date:	-
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	\$8,108,910

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation			
	General Fund:	(Specify Special Fund):	Total:
FY 2010 Unreserved Fund Balance ¹		\$0	\$0
FY 2011 Adopted Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2011 Appro. (P.L. 30-196)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sub-total:	\$0	\$0	\$0
Less appropriation in Bill	\$0	\$0	\$0
	\$0	\$0	\$0

Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill						
	One Full Fiscal Year	For Remainder of FY 2011 (if applicable)	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
General Fund	1/	\$0	1/	1/	1/	1/
(Specify Special Fund)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	1/	\$0	1/	1/	1/	1/

- Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions? // Yes // No
If Yes, see attachment
- Is amount appropriated adequate to fund the intent of the appropriation? // N/A // Yes // No
If no, what is the additional amount required? \$ // N/A
- Does the Bill establish a new program/agency? // Yes // No
If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies? // N/A // Yes // No
Is there a federal mandate to establish the program/agency? // Yes // No
- Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities? // Yes // No
- Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept/agency? If no, indicate reason: // Yes // No
// Requested agency comments not received by due date // Other: _____

Analyst: Jaclyn Terlaje, BMA II Date: 5/4/11 Director: Bonita A. Mangiona, Director Date: 5/6/11

Footnotes:
1. The Bill has a potential funding impact in terms of cost savings due to the suspension of salaries and the government's share of benefits of I Maga'láhen Guáhan, I Segundu Na Maga'láhen Guáhan, as well as Senators of I Liheslaturan Guáhan in the event of a Government shutdown caused by failure to enact an operating budget. This potential impact could provide an estimated cost savings of \$8,858 per pay period for the salaries & benefits of the I Maga'láhen Guáhan and Segundu Na Maga'láhen Guáhan, and \$11,261 per pay period for the salaries & benefits of the Senators of I Liheslaturan Guáhan



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Rory J. Respicio
CHAIRPERSON
MAJORITY LEADER

Senator
Judith P. Guthertz
VICE CHAIRPERSON
ASST. MAJORITY LEADER

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April 20, 2011

VIA FACSIMILE
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Ms. Benita Manglona
Director
Bureau of Budget & Management Research
P.O. Box 2950
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

RE: Request for Fiscal Note -
Bill Nos. 152-31 (COR) through 157-31 (COR)

Hafa Adai Ms. Manglona:

Transmitted herewith is a listing of *I Mina'trentai Unu na Liheslaturan Guåhan's* most recently introduced bills. Pursuant to 2 GCA §9103, I respectfully request the preparation of fiscal notes for the referenced bills.

Si Yu'os ma'åse' for your attention to this matter.

Very Truly Yours,

Rory J. Respicio

Attachments

Cc: Clerk of the Legislature

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MESSAGE CONFIRMATION

APR-20-2011 04:10 PM WED

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**RE: Request for Fiscal Note -
Bill Nos. 152-31 (COR) through 157-31 (COR)**

Hafa Adai Ms. Manglona:

Transmitted herewith is a listing of *I Mina'trentai Unu na Libeslaturan Guahan's* most recently introduced bills. Pursuant to 2 GCA §9103, I respectfully request the preparation of fiscal notes for the referenced bills.

Si Yu'os ma'ase' for your attention to this matter.

Very Truly Yours,

Rory J. Respicio

Attachments
Cc: Clerk of the Legislature

Rec'd: Jackie
date: 4-20-11
time: 4:45pm

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April 19, 2011

MEMORANDUM

To: Pat Santos
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: Senator Rory J. Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: Referral of Bill Nos. 156-31 (COR) and 157-31 (COR)

As Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of Bill Nos. 156-31(COR) and 157-31 (COR).

Please ensure that the subject bills are referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of *I Mina'trentai Unu na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os ma'åse!

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April 19, 2011

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April 22, 2011

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To: All Members / All Senators

From: Senator Rory J. Respicio 

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AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Announcements
- III. Items for Public Consideration
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- IV. Remarks
- V. Adjournment

An electronic copy of Bill 157-31 can be found by visiting the Guam Legislature's website at www.guamlegislature.com. Testimony should be addressed to Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson, and may be submitted via hand-delivery to our office or our mailbox at the Main Legislature Building at 155 Hesler Place, Hagatna, Guam 96910, via e-mail to cor@guamlegislature.com, or via facsimile to (671) 472-3547. Individuals requiring special accommodations, auxiliary aids, or services shall contact and submit their request to Elaine Tajalle at our office. For more information, please call 472-7679. We look forward to your attendance and participation. *Si Yu'os ma'åse'!*



Salary suspension bill supported

Posted: Apr 26, 2011 6:44 PM

Updated: Apr 26, 2011 6:44 PM

by [Sabrina Salas Matanane](#)

Guam - A public hearing wrapped-up in Hagatna for a bill that would suspend the salaries of the governor, lieutenant governor and all 15 local senators in the event of a government shutdown caused by the failure to enact an annual operating budget for the Government of Guam. Bill 157 was authored by Senator Rory Respicio.

Governor Eddie Calvo told KUAM News today that should the bill cross his desk, he would sign it. Likewise, Speaker Judi Won Pat supports the measure but doesn't foresee a situation ever happening where a budget wouldn't be passed.

No one signed up to testify on the bill.



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Bill calls for suspension of elected officials' pay

TUESDAY, 19 APRIL 2011 03:59 BY THERESE HART | VARIETY NEWS STAFF



SENATOR Rory Respicio yesterday said his intent was not to sound like an alarmist when he introduced Bill 157 – which calls for the suspension of salaries for the governor, lieutenant governor, and all senators in the event of a government-wide shutdown caused by an inability to enact an annual operating budget for the government of Guam – but steps should be taken in the eventuality that such an event could occur.

The senator's bill comes on the heels of national headlines proclaiming the pending shutdown of the U.S. federal government, for similar reasons.

"Enacting a responsible operating budget is our joint responsibility," said Respicio. "If our combined failure were to negatively impact the operation of our government, and, consequently, our people, then it is only fitting that we share in the penalty."

Respicio has authored a number of public laws dealing with fiscal reform, including establishment of the Office of Finance and Budget, which streamlines the enactment of the annual GovGuam budget; requiring that testimony on fiscal matters be given under oath; strengthening rules on the registration and regulation of lobbyists; requiring that an approved annual budget be submitted for the governor's action well in advance of the next fiscal year; and other important fiscal reform measures, according to a press



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release from the lawmaker's office.

Guam has, in the past, faced a possible government shutdown when the executive and legislative branches of government cannot come to a compromise when it comes to the operating budget of the government.

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Bill No. 157-31 (COR)

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AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §4121 TO CHAPTER 4, TITLE 5 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED TO PROVIDE FOR THE SUSPENSION OF THE SALARIES OF *I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN*, *I SEGUNDU MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN*, AND THE SENATORS OF *I LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* IN THE EVENT OF A GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN CAUSED BY THE FAILURE TO ENACT AN ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORGANIC ACT.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. **Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guahan* finds
3 that the primary responsibility of the elected leadership of the executive and
4 legislative branches of the Government of Guam is the preparation and
5 implementation of an annual operating budget to sustain the important
6 functions of the government of Guam. Should Guam's elected leadership fail
7 in this task and cause a government shutdown, resulting in disruption of vital
8 public services for the people of Guam, then it is only fair and appropriate
9 that the salaries for these elected officials also cease until such time as an
10 annual operating budget is enacted into law.

1 **Section 2. A new §4121 is added to Chapter 4, Title 5 of the Guam**
2 **Code Annotated to read:**

3 **“§ 4121. Suspension of executive salaries.** In the event that the
4 annual operating budget for the government of Guam expires and no
5 new annual operating budget has been enacted into law in accordance
6 with the Organic Act, or rolled over from the previous year, then the
7 salaries of *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*, *I Segundu Maga’lahen Guåhan*, and the
8 Senators of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* shall be suspended until such time as a
9 new annual operating budget for the government of Guam is enacted
10 into law, at which time such salaries shall be reinstated. This § 4121
11 shall be subject to the following provisions:

- 12 **a.** Such suspension of salaries *shall not* take place if the failure
13 to enact an annual budget is due to an emergency resulting
14 from a natural or other disaster, or hostile action.
- 15 **b.** The Government of Guam’s share of retirement, Social
16 Security, and health and other insurance payments *shall be*
17 the individual responsibility of *I Maga’lahen Guåhan*, *I*
18 *Segundu Maga’lahen Guåhan*, and the Senators of *I*
19 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* during the suspension of executive
20 salaries.