## MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2005 (FIRST) Regular Session

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Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO ADD NEW ITEM (36), SUBSECTION K, SECTION 26203, ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 26, DIVISION 2, TITLE 11, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXEMPTING THE APPLICATION OF THE GROSS RECEIPT TAX FROM THE SALE OF MEDICINE, MEDICAL SUPPLY AND MEDICAL EQUIPMENT.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan
- 3 finds that it is in the best interest of the people of Guam for government to
- 4 curb the spiraling costs of health care. Reducing medicine, medial supply and
- 5 medical equipment costs will not only save consumers money, but will help
- 6 keep health care costs affordable to families and to senior citizens who spend
- 7 a disproportionate amount of their income on health care.
- 8 Therefore it is the intent of I Liheslaturan Guåhan to exempt the
  - application of the gross receipt tax from the sale of medicines, medical
- 10 supplies, and medical equipments.

- Section 2. Section 26203(k)(36), Article 2, Chapter 26, Division 2, Title 11 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby added to read as follows:
- 3 "(36) Amounts received from the sale of medicine whether a prescription
- 4 is required or not, medical supply and medical equipment intended for use in
- 5 the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in humans;
- 6 or intended to affect the structure or any function of the human body."