


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

Bill No. 37 (EC)

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AMEND § 17401, ARTICLE 4, CHAPTER 17, TITLE 3
GCA RELATIVE TO LEGISLATIVE SUBMISSION.

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

2 **Section 1. Purpose and Legislative Intent.**

3 The purpose of this legislation
4 is to update the language of the existing law to accurately reflect the changes in the
5 membership of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. The existing law reflects a requirement of 14
6 affirmative votes for legislative submissions. The 14 affirmative vote requirement was
7 based on a legislative membership of 21 senators which represent two-thirds of the
8 membership at that time. Since that time the membership of the legislature has changed to
9 15 members. Hence, the number of affirmative votes needed for legislative submissions is
10 less than 14. This amendment intends to make it easier to determine what number of
11 affirmative votes is necessary regardless of future changes in *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*
12 membership.

12 **Section 2. Subsection §17401 of Title 3 Guam Code Annotated is hereby**
13 ***amended to read:***

14 "§17401. Number of Legislative Votes Necessary for Legislature's Submission. No
15 measure shall be submitted to the voters by the Legislature unless it shall have been
16 adopted by ~~fourteen (14)~~ two-thirds affirmative votes."