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AN ACT TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TEACHERS, BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 5C TO DIVISION 1 OF TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. A new Chapter 5C is hereby *added* to Division 1 of Title
17, Guam Code Annotated, to read as follows:

"5C101. Legislative Findings and Intent. It is critical to the public education system on Guam that *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* address the teacher shortage and recruitment, and retention issues facing the teaching professionals in the Department of Education.

To resolve this, it is the intent of *I Liheslatura* to make teaching positions in public schools more attractive by making their salaries competitive with the National average.

**5C102. Department of Education Teachers.** The Civil Service Commission (herein after "Commission"), upon the enactment of this Section, shall immediately review the salaries of teacher positions in the Department of Education and make salary

adjustments as needed. The salary for each of the teacher position in the Department of Education shall be competitive with the National average. Thereafter, the salary schedules of Department of Education teachers shall be reviewed by the Commission every three (3) years, and upgraded as needed. The Commission shall implement a new salary schedule pursuant to this Section within ninety (90) days of its enactment."

**Section 2. Severability**. If any of the provisions of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.