


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

Bill No. 192 (EC)

Introduced by:

J. M.S. Brown 

AN ACT TO DEAPPROPRIATE TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000.00) FROM THE SUMS APPROPRIATED TO *I LIHESLATURA* FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005 AND TO REAPPROPRIATE SAID SUM TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO PURCHASE UNIFORMS, SUPPLIES AND LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT FOR ITS LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION.

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

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that
3 the Department of Agriculture's Law Enforcement Division is charged with
4 protecting and conserving Guam's preserves, their natural resources and
5 marine life.

6 To prevent against endangerment or threats – to maintain the viability
7 and health of the marine ecosystem – *I Liheslaturan Guahan* further finds that
8 Conservation Officers must be adequately equipped to carry out their duties.
9 Lack of funding, however, has presented hardships in the department's
10 ability to procure the items necessary to prevent and arrest those who
11 willfully and carelessly participate in the degradation of our preserves in
12 violation of the law.

1 It is, therefore, the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to assist the
2 department carry out its vital mission through the deappropriation of the sum
3 of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) from the budgeted allotment of
4 Vice Speaker Joanne M.S. Brown, and to reappropriate this amount to the
5 Department of Agriculture for the purchase of uniforms, law enforcement
6 equipment and supplies for its Law Enforcement Division. Moreover, the
7 purchase of this equipment will enhance our Conservation Officers' abilities
8 to track and arrest poachers and violators of laws established to protect the
9 preserves.

10 **Section 2. Deappropriation and Reappropriation.** The sum of
11 Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) is hereby deappropriated from
12 the sums appropriated to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* for Fiscal Year 2005 and
13 reappropriated to the Department of Agriculture to purchase needed
14 uniforms and law enforcement equipment and supplies for its Law
15 Enforcement Division. Notwithstanding any other law or rule, the Fiscal
16 Officer of *I Liheslatura* is authorized to reduce the allotment to Vice Speaker
17 Joanne M.S. Brown by an amount equal to the sum deappropriated by this
18 Section.

19 **Section 3. Reporting.** The Director of the Department of Agriculture
20 shall submit a written report regarding the expenditure of this appropriation
21 to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* after the funds have been expended. No portion of
22 this appropriation shall be used for purposes other than that specifically
23 defined in Section 2 of this act.