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## I MINA' BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2007 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION

Bill No. 114 (EC)

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v.c. pangelinan F.F. Blas, Jr. T.R. Muna-Barnes

AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW 28-150, CHAPTER IV, PART II, SECTION 26 RELATIVE TO APPROPRIATING ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$150,000) FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS FOR SANCTUARY.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Legislative Findings. I Liheslaturan Guahan finds that Public Law 28-150,

Chapter IV, Part I, Section 2 (d) appropriated approximately Eight Million Dollars

(\$8,000,000) realized from debt service savings from the 1993 General Obligation Bond

Refinancing to I Maga'lahen Guahan for operations for the Executive Branch. I Liheslaturan

Guahan further finds that Chapter IV, Part II, Section 26 of the same law mandated I

Maga'lahen Guahan to transfer One Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$150,000) of the Eight Million

Dollars to the Department of Youth Affairs to fund programs contracted out to non-

governmental organizations for youths who are runaway, homeless or victim of abuse.

Furthermore, *I Liheslaturan Guahan* finds that Public Law 29-02, Chapter IV, Section 14 repealed in its entirety Chapter IV, Part I, Section 2(d) of Public Law 28-150, thereby removing the funding source for the One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) appropriated to the Department of Youth Affairs. In its place, *I Liheslaturan Guahan* increased the appropriation to *I Maga'lahen Guahan* in the amount of Eight Million Dollars (\$8,000,000) from the General Fund, supported by the revenue enhancements measures adopted in Public Law 29-02, such as fee increases and collections from tax amnesty

programs.

Therefore, to ensure that programs that assist youth who are runaway, homeless or victims of abuse receive the care that is needed and that services are not interrupted, *I Liheslaturan Guahan* hereby amends Public Law 28-150, Chapter IV, Part II, Section 26 to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) from the General Fund to the Department of Youth Affairs for Sanctuary, a non-profit organization that provides those critical services to our youth on Guam.

Section 2. Public Law, Chapter IV, Part II, Section 26 is hereby amended to read:

"Section 26. Youth Runaway and Homeless Program. The sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Youth Affairs to fund Sanctuary, specifically for programs for youths who are runaway, homeless or victims of abuse."

**Section 3. 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.