

I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Bill No. 6-31 (LS)

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AMEND § 31109 OF CHAPTER 31 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED AND § 3112 OF CHAPTER 3 TITLE 17 GCA, RELATIVE TO CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOLS THROUGH THE GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND TO ADD A NEW SUB SECTION 3114.1 TO CHAPTER 31 TITLE 17, GCA RELATIVE TO REESTABLISHING THE OPERATION OF AN INDEPENDENT, FULLY FUNCTIONING CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION HIGH SCHOOL INSTITUTE IN GUAM AS PART OF THE SECONDARY DIVISION OF GCC.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Legislative findings and intent. I Liheslaturan Guahan finds that the

3 Community College Act of 1977, originally enacted in Public Law 14-77, makes it clear in 5

4 31107 (6) of Chapter 31 of Title 17 GCA, that the Guam Community College (GCC) is in

5 charge of vocational education in Guam, stating that GCC serves "as the Board of Control

6 for Vocational Education for purposes of the United States Vocational Education Act of

7 1946 and 1963 and subsequent amendments thereto. The government of Guam hereby

8 accepts together with the benefits of funds appropriated thereunder the Vocational

9 Education Act of 1946 and any act - or acts amendatory thereof or supplementary

10 thereto as enacted by the Congress of the United States." I Liheslatura further finds that

11 in addition to offering training and retraining for adults, vocational education

12 programs should also be an important element in preparing many of our children to be

1 members of a trained and educated workforce. GCC offers vocational education, better
2 known today as "career and technical education," programs at their campus, satellite
3 programs with the island's public school system, and other extension programs. GCC's
4 current physical campus can augment the needs of for additional high school on Guam and
5 serve as an auxiliary high-school for students interested in a career and technical education
6 track.

7 Our island population is growing rapidly and the military buildup is expected to
8 require many thousands of skilled workers.

9 It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslatura* that GCC, together with DOE develop a
10 memorandum of understanding to allow GCC to utilize DOE classrooms and other
11 facilities in order to offer programs in the intermediate as well as the secondary levels
12 either after regular school hours or during regular school hours for vocational training.

13 Further, this Act provides a provision that calls for the implementation, operation
14 and maintenance of a fully functioning Career and Technical Education High School
15 Campus in Guam that offers all programs that are or may be available as satellite programs
16 in DOE schools. The closure of GCC's former high school campus component in the late
17 1990's, formerly the vocational technical high school tradesmen program, effectively axed
18 an additional public high school that served the needs of our island community.

19 **Section 2.** A new subitem (9) is added to 5 31109 of Chapter 31 Title 17 Guam Code
20 Annotated to read: "(9) develop a memorandum of understanding with the Guam Public
21 School System (DOE) to utilize DOE classrooms and other facilities either after regular
22 school hours or during regular school hours for vocational training for middle school, high
23 school and adult students."

24 **Section 3.** Subitem (17) is amended and a new subitem (18) is added to §3112 of
25 Chapter 3 Title 17 GCA to read:

1 "(17) review and approve by Board resolution the spending priorities as outlined in
2 the fiscal year budget for the DOE; and

3 (18) Allow the use of DOE classrooms and other facilities after regular school hours
4 for career and technical education for middle schools, high schools and adult students in
5 the form and manner described in a memorandum of understanding with the Guam
6 Community College (GCC). DOE shall provide only usable, functional facilities; GCC shall
7 bear all direct expenses as a result of the use of DOE classrooms and facilities."

8 **Section 4. Career and Technical Education High School Campus.**

9 A new § 31114.1 is hereby added to Chapter 31, Title 17 GCA.

10 § 31114.1 Career and Technical Education High School Campus.

11 "In addition to its current programs and plans for the College's evolution, the
12 Guam Community College Board of Trustees shall establish a subcommittee that will
13 initiate and propose a plan within its Secondary Division that reestablishes its former high
14 school campus component, formerly the vocational technical high school tradesmen
15 program.

16 1.) The subcommittee shall propose a process for the reimplementation, operation
17 and maintenance of a fully functioning Career and Technical Education High School
18 Campus in Guam that may serve the needs of at least one thousand (1000) secondary
19 students, in addition to its current postsecondary programs, at the physical location of the
20 main campus of the Guam Community College.

21 2.) The Career and Technical Education High School Campus shall offer all
22 programs that are, or may be available as satellite programs in DOE schools, as well as
23 auxiliary programs such as interscholastic sports and other high school programs that
24 invoke school pride, a well-rounded education and fosters the furtherance of academic
25 success.

1 3.) The Board of Trustees shall amend, and approve the subcommittee's proposal no
2 later than the start of the 2014 Academic Year.

3 4.) The Guam Community College shall begin the reestablishment of an on-site high
4 school campus within its Secondary Division no later than the start of the 2018 Academic
5 Year."

6 **Section 5. Effective Date:** This Act shall take effect upon enactment into law.