

#### MINA' BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN TWENTY-NINTH GUAM LEGISLATURE

155 Hessler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

October 11, 2007

The Honorable Felix P. Camacho I Maga'lahen Guåhan Ufisinan I Maga'lahi Hagåtña, Guam 96910



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Dear Maga'lahi Camacho:

Transmitted herewith are Bill Nos. 34(EC), 59(EC), 133(EC), 165(EC) and Substitute Bill Nos. 110(EC) & 146(EC) which were passed by *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on October 10, 2007.

Sincerely, RAY TENORIO Senator and Secretary of the Legislature

Enclosures (6)

## I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2007 (FIRST) Regular Session FILE COPY

### **CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN**

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 146 (EC), "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE JOSE D. LEON GUERRERO COMMERCIAL PORT AND THE ANTONIO B. WON PAT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, GUAM TO PROMULGATE PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS; AND TO PROVIDE LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH PAY SCALES FOR CERTIFIED, TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL," was on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 2007, duly and regularly passed.

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Attested:	Edward J.B. Calvo Acting Speaker
Ray Tenorio Senator and Secretary of the Legislature	
This Act was received by <i>I Maga'lahen Guåhan</i> this	day of, 2007, at Junataotar Assistant Staff Officer Maga'lahi's Office
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FELIX P. CAMACHO I Maga'lahen Guåhan	
Date:	

Public Law No. \_\_\_\_\_

### I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2007 (FIRST) Regular Session

#### **Bill No. 146 (EC)**

As substituted by the Committee on Tourism, Maritime, Military, Veterans and Foreign Affairs and amended.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE JOSE D. LEON GUERRERO COMMERCIAL PORT AND THE ANTONIO B. WON PAT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, GUAM TO PROMULGATE PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS; AND TO PROVIDE LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH PAY SCALES FOR CERTIFIED, TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL.

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

2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan

3 finds that with the upcoming relocation of eight thousand (8,000) Marines

4 from Okinawa, the Jose D. Leon Guerrero Commercial Port will be the entry

5 point for all the supplies and materials that are needed for the build-up.

*I Liheslaturan Guåhan* also finds that there is likely to be a significant corresponding increase in the amount of cargo and number of passengers who enter Guam at the Antonio B. Won Pat International Airport Terminal relating to the build-up and ultimate transfer of the military personnel, support staff and their families.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that in order for the Port and 6 Airport to prepare for the military build-up, the Port and Airport must retain 7 workers (particularly those in maritime and aviation-related positions 8 unique to Port and Airport operations) and hire certified personnel who have 9 the proper technical or professional skills and experience. The ability to 10 maintain experienced, trained and skilled employees is a significant factor in 11 the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the Port and Airport's equipment 12 and facilities, and ensures the expeditious movement of cargo and 13 14 passengers.

It has long been the policy of I Liheslaturan Guåhan, as codified in 15 Guam Law, that "employee compensation shall be based on internal equity 16 and external competitiveness." Title 4 GCA §6301. By statute, the 17 compensation of public employees "will be targeted at the U.S. National 18 Average levels compared to the appropriate labor markets and account 19 taken of the relevant economic factors." Title 4 GCA §6301(2). As such, I 20 Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that the Port and Airport need to bring 21 compensation to a competitive level in order to retain an experienced, 22 certified and skilled workforce, as well as attract essential professionals to 23 ensure continuous and efficient operations at the island's ports of entry. 24

25 Section 2. Jose D. Leon Guerrero Commercial Port Is 26 Authorized to Promulgate Personnel Rules and Regulations and

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Establish Pay Scales. A new §10111.3 is hereby *added* to Chapter 10, Title
 12 Guam Code Annotated to read:

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# "§10111.3. Maritime Positions Unique to Port Operations and Certified, Technical and Professional Positions.

The Board shall adopt rules and regulations governing (a) 5 compensation. selection. promotion, performance 6 evaluation. disciplinary action and other terms and conditions of employment of 7 personnel occupying maritime positions unique to Port operations 8 and certified, technical and professional positions, subject to the 9 provisions of the Administrative Adjudication Act. 10

11 (b) Such rules and regulations *shall* provide for the 12 employment and retention of persons on the basis of merit and *shall* 13 include an orderly and systematic method of recruitment and the 14 establishment of a list of qualified applicants.

- 15(c) Maritime positions unique to Port operations and16certified, technical and professional positions are defined as:
- 17 (1) positions whose qualification requirements
  18 mandates certifications and licensing requirements, e.g.,
  19 stevedores, cargo checkers, equipment operators, marine
  20 traffic controllers, etc.;

(2) positions with multi-skill qualification
requirements, e.g., preventive maintenance mechanics,
crane mechanics, etc.;

24 (3) positions with specific maritime knowledge and
25 skills, e.g., tariff technicians, etc.; and

26 (4) other similar technical and professional positions
27 which are unique and critical to the Port's operations and

- no other government entity which is not a port of entry,
   *but not limited to* those jobs listed herein.
- 3 (d) Compensation for all other positions *shall* remain
  4 consistent with compensation plans and pay scales as determined by
  5 law."

Section 3. Antonio B. Won Pat International Airport Authority,
Guam Is Authorized to Promulgate Personnel Rules and Regulations
and Establish Pay Scales. A new (h) is hereby *added* to §1112 of Chapter
1, Title 12 Guam Code Annotated to read:

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"(h) Aviation-related Positions Unique to Airport Operations and Certified, Technical and Professional Positions.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Title 4 Guam Code 12 (1)Annotated, §6103 or other law in conflict with this provision, the 13 Board shall adopt rules and regulations governing selection, 14 compensation, promotion, performance evaluations, disciplinary 15 action and other terms and conditions of employment of personnel 16 occupying aviation-related positions unique to Airport operations 17 and certified technical and professional positions, subject to the 18 provisions of the Administrative Adjudication Act. 19

20 (2) Such rules and regulations *shall* provide for the 21 employment and retention of persons on the basis of merit and *shall* 22 include an orderly and systematic method of recruitment and the 23 establishment of a list of qualified applicants.

24 (3) Aviation-related positions unique to Airport operations
25 and certified, technical and professional positions are defined as and
26 may include, but are not limited to:

1(A) positions whose qualifications requirements2mandate certification and/or licensing requirements, e.g.,3equipment operators, ramp controllers, etc.;

4 (B) Positions with multi-skill qualification
5 requirements, e.g., preventive maintenance mechanics,
6 specialty equipment mechanics, etc.;

7 (C) positions with specific aviation-related knowledge
8 and skills, e.g., tariff technicians, airport concession
9 agreements, use of airport facilities / property, expertise
10 in federal grant administration, etc.; and

11 (D) other similar technical and professional positions 12 which, by nature of airport operations, are unique and 13 critical to the Airport's needs and no other government 14 entity which is not a port of entry, including, *but not* 15 *limited to*, those jobs listed herein.

16 (4) Compensation for all other positions *shall* remain
17 consistent with compensation plans and pay scales as determined by
18 law."

19 Section 4. JDLGCP and ABWPIAA to Provide Study. The Port 20 and Airport, respectively, *shall* file with *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* a copy of 21 the Classification Compensation and Benefits Study establishing the basis 22 for any adjusted compensation within ten (10) days after the study is 23 completed.

Section 5. Severability. *If* any provisions of this Act or its application to any person or circumstances is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such invalidity shall *not* affect other provisions or applications of this

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- 1 Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications,
- 2 and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.