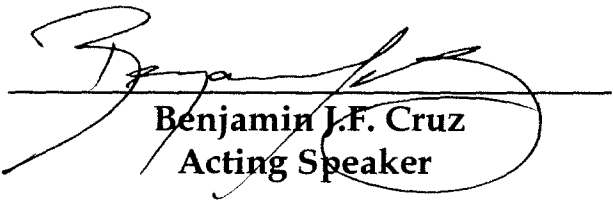


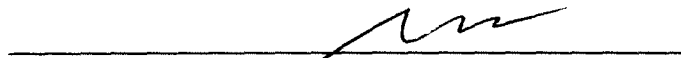
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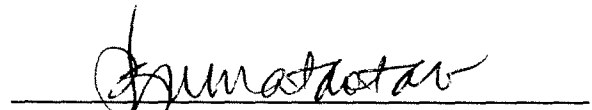
This is to certify that **Substitute Bill No. 191-30 (COR)**, "AN ACT TO ALLOW ALL GRADUATES UNDER THE PEDRO "DOC" SANCHEZ SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM TO RECEIVE THE ONE-STEP MERIT PAY INCREASE BENEFIT, BY AMENDING SUBSECTION (e) OF §15906, ARTICLE 9, CHAPTER 15, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED," was on the 13th day of November, 2009, duly and regularly passed.


Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Acting Speaker

Attested:


Rory J. Respicio
Acting Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'lahaen Guáhan* this 17 day of Nov, 2009, at 4:05 o'clock P.M.


Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'lahaen's Office

APPROVED:

FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga'lahaen Guáhan

Date: _____

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**AN ACT TO ALLOW ALL GRADUATES UNDER THE
PEDRO “DOC” SANCHEZ SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
TO RECEIVE THE ONE-STEP MERIT PAY INCREASE
BENEFIT, BY AMENDING SUBSECTION (e) OF §15906,
ARTICLE 9, CHAPTER 15, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE
ANNOTATED.**

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

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

3 that Public Law 29-137 was passed into law to reinstate the one-step merit pay

1 increase to those grantees that successfully complete the graduation requirements
2 of the Pedro “Doc” Sanchez Scholarship Program.

3 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that Public Law 23-111, enacted on July
4 26, 1996, broadened the scope of the program to allow participants to enroll in any
5 other undergraduate degree program offered at the School of Business and Public
6 Administration, as long as they minored in Public Administration.

7 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that provisions and benefits of the Pedro “Doc”
8 Sanchez Program should equally apply to persons who may have enrolled in any
9 other undergraduate degree program offered at the School of Business and Public
10 Administration, who also minor in Public Administration.

11 It is, therefore, the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to ensure that the
12 program participants who successfully meet all graduation requirements in any
13 other undergraduate degree program offered at the School of Business and Public
14 Administration, and who also minor in Public Administration, receive a one (1)-
15 step merit pay increase.

16 **Section 2.** Subsection (e) of §15906, Article 9, Chapter 15, Title 17, Guam
17 Code Annotated, is hereby *amended* to read:

18 “(e) Upon the effective date of this Act, the grantee will be eligible for
19 a mandatory pay merit increase upon graduation. The grantees entered into
20 the program, as evidenced with the awarding of an undergraduate *or*
21 graduate degree in Public Administration *or* Business Administration by the
22 University of Guam, *or* in any other undergraduate degree program offered
23 at the School of Business and Public Administration and who minor in
24 Public Administration, *shall* be entitled to receive a one (1)-step merit pay
25 raise from the department, agency, office, autonomous *or* semi-autonomous
26 instrumentality of the government of Guam *or* the Judiciary in which he *or*

1 she is employed effective FY2008 following official certification by the
2 University of Guam that the grantee has completed all degree requirements.

3 Government Employees who were enrolled in the Pedro “Doc”
4 Sanchez Scholarship Program and graduated with a degree between the
5 enactment of Public Law 23-111 and the enactment of this Section who
6 would otherwise have received the one (1)-step merit pay raise, *shall* be
7 entitled to the same incentive benefit, provided that the employee is an
8 active employee at the time of enactment of this Section and the merit pay
9 increase *shall not* be retroactive. Awarding of the one (1)-step merit pay
10 raise *shall* be subject to the availability of funds.”

11 **Section 3. Effective Date.** The provisions of this Law *shall* retroactively
12 apply to enrollees *prior* to December 31, 2009.