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I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2010 (SECOND) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that Bill No. 192-30 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND §1108 (a) AND (c) OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF AN ATTORNEY FOR THE WON PAT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY GUAM," was on the 19th day of March, 2010, duly and regularly passed.

Public Law No.

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2009 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 192-30 (COR)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds
- 3 that the cost incurred by the Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam for
- 4 legal services for Fiscal Year 2008 was in excess of Eight Hundred Thousand
- 5 Dollars (\$800,000). I Liheslatura finds that the cost of legal services to the
- 6 Authority would be greatly decreased with the employment of a staff attorney.

Section 2. §1108 (a) of Chapter 1 of Title 12, Guam Code Annotated, is hereby *amended* to read:

"(a) The Board may also appoint a treasurer, a comptroller and an in-house attorney, all of whom *shall* serve at the pleasure of the Board. Their duties and compensation *shall* be fixed by the Board. Compensation for the comptroller *shall not* be limited by §6103, Title 4, Guam Code Annotated, *or* other laws which may conflict herewith.

Notwithstanding the provisions of §6208, Title 4, Guam Code Annotated, the annual salary for the Attorney's Position *shall not exceed* One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000) annually excluding benefits. The Board may appoint one (1) assistant to any such office. Any of the said offices may be consolidated into one (1) person."

Section 3. §1108 (c) of Chapter 1 of Title 12, Guam Code Annotated, is hereby *amended* to read:

"(c) The Attorney, who must have been admitted to the practice of law in Guam, *shall* advise the Board and the Executive Director on all legal matters to which the Authority is a party *or* in which the Authority is legally interested, and may represent the Authority in connection with legal matters before *I Liheslatura*, boards and other agencies of the Territory *or* of the United States. The Attorney General shall represent the Authority in litigation, or in other specialized legal matters as requested by the board, or in the case of conflict on a matter by the in-house counsel concerning the affairs of the Authority, provided that the Attorney General may delegate this duty to the Attorney of the Authority, with respect to any such litigation.

Should in-house counsel or the Office of the Attorney General be unable to represent the Guam Airport Authority and/or the Board of the Guam Airport Authority in any legal matter, then only upon certification of

1	need and approval of the Office of the Attorney General, the Board shall be
2	authorized to hire private counsel with the Attorney General participating in
3	the selection process and approval of outside Attorney Fees."

Section 4. 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 of application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this code are severable.

Section 5. This Act *shall* be effective upon enactment into law.