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The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat
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33rd Guam Legislature
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VIA: The Honorable Rory J. Respicio Chairperson, Committee on Rules

RE: Committee Report on Bill No. 295-33 (COR), As Substituted by the Committee

Dear Speaker Won Pat:

Transmitted herewith is the Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Adjudication on Bill No. 295-33 (COR), As Substituted by the Committee – B. J.F. Cruz/N.B. Underwood, Ph.D – "An act to add Section 18 to Part I, Chapter II of Public Law 33-66, relative to appropriating and depositing FY 2016 Territorial Educational Facilities Fund Revenues collected in excess of Twenty Nine Million Two Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Ten Dollars (\$29,255,710) to the Guam Department of Education Operations Fund bank account for FY 2016 GDOE Operations."

Committee votes are as follows:

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

All Members

FROM:

Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz

Chairman, Committee on Appropriations and Adjudication

SUBJECT: Committee Report on Bill No. 295-33 (COR), As Substituted by the Committee

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report on Bill No. 295-33 (COR), As Substituted by the Committee – B. J.F. Cruz/N.B. Underwood, Ph.D – "An act to add Section 18 to Part I, Chapter II of Public Law 33-66, relative to appropriating and depositing FY 2016 Territorial Educational Facilities Fund Revenues collected in excess of Twenty Nine Million Two Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Ten Dollars (\$29,255,710) to the Guam Department of Education Operations Fund bank account for FY 2016 GDOE Operations."

This report includes the following:

- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest
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- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
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- COR Referral of Bill No. 295-33 (COR)
- Fiscal Note Requirement
- Notices of Public Hearing
- Public Hearing Agenda
- Related News Reports

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Chairman

SENATOR BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ, VICE SPEAKER

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I. OVERVIEW

Bill No. 295-33 (COR) was introduced by Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz and Senator Nerissa B. Underwood, Ph.D. on April 12, 2016, and subsequently referred to the **Committee on Appropriations and Adjudication** on the same day.

The Committee on Appropriations and Adjudication convened a public hearing on Wednesday, April 20, 2016, beginning at 2:00PM in the Guam Legislature Public Hearing Room. The hearing for **Bill No. 295-33 (COR)** began at 2:03PM and ended at 2:15PM.

Public Notice Requirements

All legal requirements for public notices were met, with requests for publication sent to all media and all Senators on April 13, 2016, and April 18, 2016, via email. Copies of the hearing notices are appended to the report.

Senators Present

Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Chairperson Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr., Vice Chairperson Senator Mary Camacho Torres, Member Senator Nerissa B. Underwood, Ph.D., Member Senator Rory J. Respicio

Appeared Before the Committee

Ms. Christine W. Baleto, Acting Director, Guam Department of Administration

Ms. Taling Taitano, Deputy Superintendent, Finance and Administrative Services, Guam Department of Education

Submitted Written Testimony

Ms. Christine W. Baleto, Acting Director, Guam Department of Administration **Mr. Jon J.P. Fernandez**, Superintendent of Education, Guam Department of Education

II. TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

Chairman Benjamin J.F. Cruz announced Bill No. 295-33 (COR) and acknowledged Ms. Christine Baleto from the Guam Department of Administration (DOA) and Ms. Taling Taitano from the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) as the individuals present to testify.

Chairman Cruz thanked both individuals and provided his statement as the main sponsor of the measure:

"The genesis of [Bill No. 295-33 (COR)] is that in the last Consolidated Revenue and Expenditure Report (CRER), we noted that collections from Territorial Educational Facilities (TEF) Fund were above projected revenues. And last year we had appropriated twenty eight million dollars (\$28,000,000) of what we thought was going to be on TEF Funds. I believe we were up at thirty five million dollars (\$35,000,000). There was an excess. There was twenty million (20,000,000) and there was twenty-eight million (28,000,000). But there was about eight million dollars (\$8,000,000) in there, [so] we thought that we should set all that money aside, since in the previous fiscal year, a shortfall in TEF was taken against GDOE. So I figured, [if] they get penalized when [TEF Funds] are short, they should benefit when there's a surplus. And I thank Senator Underwood [cosponsor of Bill No. 295-33 (COR)]. Thank you."

Chairman Cruz called upon Ms. Taling Taitano to provide testimony.

Ms. Taitano thanked Chairman Cruz and introduced herself as the Deputy Superintendent of Finance and Administrative Services for GDOE. She then proceeded to read the written testimony provided by Superintendent Jon J.P. Fernandez, in support of Bill No. 295-33 (COR) (appended to this report).

Chairman Cruz thanked Ms. Taitano for her testimony and prompted Ms. Christine Baleto to provide her testimony.

Ms. Baleto thanked Chairman Cruz and introduced herself as the Acting Director of the Guam Department of Administration. She then proceeded to read her written testimony (appended to this report) wherein Ms. Baleto expressed that, although the DOA supports the intent of Bill No. 295-33 (COR), the Department could not support the measure, as written. Ms. Baleto noted:

"We would need to fulfill the bond obligations first, and then any funds over and above that can be appropriated to the Department of Education. So in that

respect, we support it, but we're just concerned with the funds that are needed for the repayment of the one hundred million dollar (\$100,000,000) bond."

Chairman Cruz requested that Ms. Baleto elucidate on the interconnection between the bond and the TEF Funds and submit her commentary for the Committee on Appropriation and Adjudication's ("Committee") review.

Ms. Baleto responded that she would do so.

Chairman Cruz opened the floor for inquiries.

Senator Nerissa Underwood, addressing Ms. Baleto, inquired:

"Madam Director, this is just a matter of clarification for me. As I understand it, as [Bill No. 295-33 (COR)] is written, anything that is over the appropriation of [approximately] twenty eight point five million dollars (\$28,500,000) is what we're looking at. So my understanding is that that bond will be taken out of that [approximate] twenty eight point five million dollars (\$28,500,000). The bond repayment is not contingent upon anything excess of the collection. Am I correct with the intent of this [bill]?"

Ms. Baleto responded:

"I will clarify with the staff, but what I was briefed on was that this twenty eight million five hundred ninety six thousand eight hundred fifty three dollars (\$28,596,853) that was appropriated was not inclusive of the bond repayment. Has it already been completed? I don't believe it's been completed. So this money appropriated does not include the repayment, that's what we're seeing? Did I not understand the question? If it's not included, we would have to see what the bond obligations are first [to] make sure we cover the payments needed and then anything in excess of that would be used to transfer to GDOE."

Chairman Cruz inquired:

"What is the status of that one hundred million dollar (\$100,000,000) bond?"

Ms. Baleto responded:

"I don't know. I would have to defer to—I think GEDA is handling it."

Ms. Taitano commented:

"We are currently in negotiations with the number one vendor or proposer. And so those negotiations are ongoing."

Senator Frank B. Aguon inquired:

"We understand the concern with regards to the debt service and that will continue to be a priority in regards to the legislative body being able to provide to the Department of Education one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) for facilities as well as Simon A. Sanchez High School [renovations]. The issue here is: between now and the time that the authorization is given to go out and complete that bond, acquire that bond, if there are any revenues in excess of that, then that would be automatically appropriated to DOE in the interim. Because as it usually applies, a lot of it is contingent, Ms. Baleto, on the kind of structure that is formulated. Whether it is interest payments in the first three years of the bond, and then principal payments thereafter, or it could be principal interest payments to be remitted within one year of receiving the proceeds. It's still preliminary, quite preliminary in terms of looking and paying the one hundred million dollar (\$100,000,000) bond obligation, and how much that's going to take out of the coffers, out of TEFF. That's why between now and the end of the fiscal year, if there's anything above and beyond the appropriated amount of twenty eight point five million dollars (\$28,500,000), then that will automatically be appropriated to DOE. So you're absolutely right. Debt service has to come off the top."

Ms. Baleto responded:

"Right. We just wanted to make sure that there was an acknowledgment to that because there's a requirement [within the measure] to deposit [the sum of the TEF Funds] within five (5) days of collection. There's all these requirements on the DOA Director to ensure that the funds are transferred, which, of course, we will comply with, but if that comes to pass and we have that debt service, I just want to make sure that there's no contradiction, and I won't be in contempt because I didn't deposit within five (5) days if we have to pay."

Chairman Cruz noted:

"The Committee will make the appropriate amendments. We'll take that into consideration. But anything in excess of that will be used for GDOE's operations, because over the last three (3) fiscal years, your predecessors and the Bureau of

Budget and Management Research have said that the TEF Fund shortfall meant that they didn't have thirteen (13) million dollars to pay for their vendors. Now, what we're saying is: we will provide for the primary payment of the debt service, but everything else will and should go to the benefit of the [DOE]. We'll rewrite it that way [so that it is] very clear."

Chairman Cruz, addressing Ms. Taitano, inquired:

"What is your current vendor payable?"

Ms. Taitano responded:

"It's about seven million [dollars] (\$7,000,000). About one point five million [dollars] (\$1,500,000) is [over] ninety (90) days."

Chairman Cruz thanked both Ms. Baleto and Ms. Taitano. On account that there were neither additional questions from the Committee nor other individuals present to testify, the Chairman considered Bill No. 295-33 (COR) as heard.

III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee on Appropriations and Adjudication ("Committee") finds that Bill No. 295-33 (COR) appropriates the sum collected above twenty eight million five hundred ninety six thousand eight hundred fifty three dollars (\$28,596,853) from the Territorial Educational Facilities (TEF) Fund in Fiscal Year 2016 to the Guam Department of Education (GDOE). Public Law 33-66, the General Appropriations Act of FY 2016, projected that twenty eight million five hundred ninety six thousand eight hundred fifty three dollars \$28,596,853 would be collected in the TEF Fund.

In the Committee's review of Section 22425(q) of Chapter 22, Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, which states:

Any additional real property tax revenues above the amount of Twenty Million Seven Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Ten Dollars (\$20,755,710) (the average of the actual collections of real property taxes between Fiscal Years 2012 and 2014) is hereby continuously appropriated annually, not to exceed Eight Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$8,500,000), from the Territorial Educational Facilities Fund...,

the Committee has determined that the amount of six hundred fifty eight thousand eight hundred fifty seven dollars (\$658,857) that is collected in excess of twenty eight million five hundred ninety six thousand eight hundred fifty three dollars (\$28,596,853)

in the Territorial Educational Facilities Fund has already been appropriated pursuant to Section 22425(q)(1) through (11), Chapter 22, Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated.

Therefore, the Committee has amended Bill No. 295-33 (COR) to ensure that the eight million five hundred thousand dollars (\$8,500,000) above the amount of twenty million seven hundred fifty five thousand seven hundred ten dollars (\$20,755,710) is preserved for the purposes set forth in the aforementioned section of the Guam Code Annotated, and that all funds collected in excess of twenty nine million two hundred fifty five thousand seven hundred ten dollars (\$29,255,710) [\$20,755,710 + \$8,500,000], is appropriated to the Guam Department of Education.

The Committee on Appropriations and Adjudication to which was referred **Bill No. 295-33 (COR) - B. J.F. Cruz /N.B. Underwood, Ph.D. -** "An act to add Section 18 to Part I, Chapter II of Public Law 33-66, relative to appropriating and depositing FY 2016 Territorial Educational Facilities Fund Revenues collected in excess of Twenty Nine Million Two Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Ten Dollars (\$29,255,710) to the Guam Department of Education Operations Fund bank account for FY 2016 GDOE Operations" hereby submits these findings to *I Mina'trentai Tres na Liheslaturan Guåhan* and reports out **Bill No. 295-33 (COR), As Substituted by the Committee,** with a recommendation TO __________.

I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2016 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 295-73(COK)

Introduced by:

B. J. F. Cruz N.B. Underwood, Ph.D

AN ACT TO ADD SECTION 18 TO PART I, CHAPTER II OF PUBLIC LAW 33-66, RELATIVE TO APPROPRIATING AND 2016 TERRITORIAL EDUCATIONAL DEPOSITING FY FACILITIES FUND REVENUES COLLECTED IN EXCESS OF TWENTY EIGHTY MILLION FIVE HUNDRED NINETY SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY THREE DOLLARS **GUAM** DEPARTMENT (\$28,596,853) TO THE EDUCATION OPERATIONS FUND BANK ACCOUNT FOR FY 2016 GDOE OPERATIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Section 18 is hereby added to Part I, Chapter II of Public Law 33-

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"Section 18. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule, or regulation,

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6 Educational Facilities (TEF) Fund in excess of Twenty Eight Million Five Hundred

7 Ninety Six Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Three Dollars (\$28,596,853) is hereby

8 appropriated to the Guam Department of Education Operations Fund for Fiscal

9 Year 2016 for GDOE operations. The Director of the Department of

10 Administration shall deposit into the GDOE Operations Fund bank account, the

sum of the TEF Funds collected in excess of Twenty Eight Million Five Hundred

Ninety Six Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Three Dollars (\$28,596,853) within five

13 (5) days of the collection of said cash funds. Such deposits shall be in addition to

the cash transferred/provided to the GDOE for the appropriations in Section 1 of 1 this Part, of this Chapter. The Director of the Department of Administration shall 2 submit a cash remittance report to the Speaker of I Liheslaturan Guåhan no later 3 than ten (10) days after the end of each month during Fiscal Year 2016 which shall 4 include the aggregate amount collected, recorded, and/or recognized in the TEF 5 Fund in excess of Twenty Eight Million Five Hundred Ninety Six Thousand Eight 6 Hundred Fifty Three Dollars (\$28,596,853) and the aggregate amount of such 7 excess deposited into the GDOE Operations Fund bank account. It shall be a 8 ministerial duty of the Director of the Department of Administration to make the deposits to the GDOE Operations Fund bank account as required by this Section. 10 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the appropriation in this Section shall 11 continue to be available until fully expended and is not subject to transfer or use 12 for any other purpose. Section 1303, Article 3, Chapter 1, Title 5 GCA shall not 13 apply to the appropriation in this Section. 14

Section 2. Effective Date. This Act shall become effective upon enactment.

Section 3. Severability. *If* any provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity *shall not* affect other provisions or applications of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application and to this end the provisions of this Act is severable.

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I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2016 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 295 33 (COR)

As Substituted by the Committee on Appropriations and Adjudication

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B.J.F. Cruz N.B. Underwood, Ph.D.

AN ACT TO ADD SECTION 18 TO PART I, CHAPTER II OF PUBLIC LAW 33-66, RELATIVE TO APPROPRIATING AND DEPOSITING FY 2016 TERRITORIAL **EDUCATIONAL** FACILITIES FUND REVENUES COLLECTED IN EXCESS OF TWENTY NINE MILLION TWO HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$29,255,710) THE **GUAM** DEPARTMENT **OF EDUCATION** OPERATIONS FUND BANK ACCOUNT FOR FY 2016 GDOE **OPERATIONS.**

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- 5 except Section 22425(q), Chapter 22, Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated, funds
- 6 collected, recorded, and/or recognized during FY 2016 in the Territorial
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2:00 PM, Wednesday, April 20, 2016 Guam Legislature Public Hearing Room • Hagåtña, Guam

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April 18, 2016

The Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz Vice Speaker Chairman, Committee on Appropriations and Adjudication I Mina' Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan Suite 107 155 Hesler Place. Hagatňa, Guam 96910

RE: Testimony: Bill 295-33 (COR)

Buenas yan Håfa Adai Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on Bill 295-33 (COR).

AN ACT TO *ADD* SECTION 18 TO PART 1, CHAPTER II OF PUBLIC LAW 33-66, RELATIVE TO APPROPRIATING AND DEPOSITING FY 2016 TERRITORIAL EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES FUND REVENUES COLLECTED IN EXCESS OF TWENTY EIGHT MILLION FIVE HUNDRED NINETY SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY THREE DOLLARS (\$28,596,853) TO THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OPERATIONS FUND BANK ACCOUNT FOR FY 2016 GDOE OPERATIONS.

The Department of Administration (DOA) supports the intent of Bill 295-33. However, the funding source identified has already been committed through previous Public Law i.e.: PL32-121, PL 32-120 and PL31-229, and cannot support Bill 295-33 as written.

DOA cannot support Bill 295-33 as written based on the commitments already place on the funding source.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 475-1221.

Senseramente,

Christine W. Baleto Acting Director, DOA





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April 19, 2016

Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz Vice-Speaker I Mina'Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guahan Ste. 107 155 Hesler Place Hagatna, Guam 96910

RE: Bill No. 295-33 (COR) Testimony – An Act to Add Section 18 to Part I, Chapter II of PL 33-66, Relative to Appropriating and Depositing FY2016 Territorial Educational Facilities Fund (TEFF) Revenues Collected in Excess of Twenty-Eight Million Five Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$28,596,853) to the Guarn Department of Education (GDOE) Operations Fund Bank Account for FY2016 GDOE Operations

Dear Vice-Speaker B. J. Cruz,

CC:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on **Bill No. 295-33 (COR)** to supplement the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) FY2016 funding for operations and ultimately, to begin addressing carry forward cash shortages in GDOE's annual appropriations. Cash shortages, over \$13 million, in GDOE's Territorial Education Facilities Fund (TEFF) appropriations over the last three (3) fiscal years, has hampered GDOE current operations and consequently impacted its ability to keep up with vendor payables.

Bill No. 295-33 appropriates supplemental funding that shall not lapse until fully expended, to be derived from FY2016 TEFF collections in excess of \$28.5M. It further prescribes the 3% reserve (Section 1303, Article 3, Chapter 1, Title 5 GCA) shall not apply. These provisions will greatly help GDOE address current, as well as, outstanding vendor payables.

However, with regards to utilizing TEFF as a funding source, it is unclear whether Bill No. 295-33 will impact appropriations under P.L 32-120 as further amended by P.L. 33-29. Under this statute, a \$20.7M threshold in real property tax revenues triggers an additional \$8.5M in TEFF appropriations. Nearly \$6.1M of that amount is tied, as a payment source, to the \$100M bid currently being processed for school repairs and renovations under lease back financing.

We fully support the intent of Bill No. 295-33 and look forward to working with you and members of the Legislature on finalizing a remedy to address GDOE's funding needs.

Senseramente,

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Senator Nerissa Bretania Underwood, 33rd Guam Legislature

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VIA E-MAIL

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Jose S. Calvo Director Bureau of Budget & Management Research P.O. Box 2950 Hagåtña, Guam 96910

RE: Request for Fiscal Notes - Bill Nos. 292-33(COR) through 295-33(COR)

Hafa Adai Mr. Calvo:

Transmitted herewith is a listing of I Mina'trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan's most recently introduced bills. Pursuant to 2 GCA §9103, I respectfully request the preparation of fiscal notes for the referenced bills.

Si Yu'os ma'åse' for your attention to this matter.

Very Truly Yours,

Senator Rory J. Respicio

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Chairperson of the Committee on Rules

Attachment (1)

Cc: Clerk of the Legislature

Bill Nos.	Sponsor	Title
292-33 (COR)	FRANK B. AGUON, JR.	AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION (a) OF § 11107 OF CHAPTER 11, TITLE 12 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE CORPORATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES.
293-33 (COR)	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. T. R. Muña Barnes R. J. Respicio N. B. Underwood, Ph.D. Tommy Morrison	AN ACT TO AMEND §106119(K) OF PART A OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 106 OF TITLE 11, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; RELATIVE TO DEPOSITING ESCHEATED FUNDS INTO THE HOUSING TRUST FUNDS FOR THE FIRST-TIME HOMEOWNER'S ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ACT.
294-33 (COR)	B, J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 1(ee)(5) TO CHAPTER V OF PUBLIC LAW 33-66 RELATIVE TO PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING AND AUTHORIZATION TO THE GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION FOR ITS FY 2016 OPERATIONS AND FOR PAYMENTS ON OBLIGATIONS INCURRED IN PRIOR YEARS.
295-33 (COR)	B. J.F. Cruz N. B. Underwood, Ph.D.	AN ACT TO ADD SECTION 18 TO PART I, CHAPTER II OF PUBLIC LAW 33-66, RELATIVE TO APPROPRIATING AND DEPOSITING FY 2016 TERRITORIAL EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES FUND REVENUES COLLECTED IN EXCESS OF TWENTY EIGHTY MILLION FIVE HUNDRED NINETY SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY THREE DOLLARS (\$28,596,853) TO THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OPERATIONS FUND BANK ACCOUNT FOR FY 2016 GDOE OPERATIONS.

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Certification of Waiver of Fiscal Note Requirement

This is to certify that the Committee on Rules submitted to the Bureau of Budget and Management Research (BBMR) a request for a fiscal note, or applicable waiver, on Bill No. 295-33 (COR) –B. J.F. Cruz, N.B. Underwood, Ph.D., "AN ACT TO ADD SECTION 18 TO PART I, CHAPTER II OF PUBLIC LAW 33-66, RELATIVE TO APPROPRIATING AND DEPOSITING FY 2016 TERRITORIAL EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES FUND REVENUES COLLECTED IN EXCESS OF TWENTY EIGHTY MILLION FIVE HUNDRED NINETY SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY THREE DOLLARS (\$28,596,853) TO THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OPERATIONS FUND BANK ACCOUNT FOR FY 2016 GDOE OPERATIONS.,"— on April 13, 2016. COR hereby certifies that BBMR confirmed receipt of this request April 14, 2016 at 8:11 A.M.

COR further certifies that a response to this request was not received. Therefore, pursuant to 2 GCA §9105, the requirement for a fiscal note, or waiver thereof, on Bill 295-33 (COR) to be included in the committee report on said bill, is hereby waived.

Certified by:

Senator Rory J. Respicio

Chairperson, Committee on Rules

April 21, 2016

Date

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April 12, 2016

Senator Thomas C. Ada VICE CHAIRPERSON ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER

MEMORANDUM

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From:

Senator Rory J. Respicio

Chairperson of the Committee on Rules

Subject:

Referral of Bill No. 295-33(COR)

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of Bill No. 295-33(COR).

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of I Mina'trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

Attachment

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I Mina'Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Received Bill Log Sheet

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FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing – April 20, 2016

Dani Reves danireves@senatorbjcruz.com

Wed, Apr 13, 2016 at 2:00 PM

To: PH Notice <phnotice@guamlegislature.org>

Cc: "Senator Rory J. Respicio" <cor@quamlegislature.org>, Clerks <clerks@guamlegislature.org>, Management Information System <mis@guamlegislature.org>, "Sergeant-at-Arms (Legislature)" <sgtarms@guamlegislature.org>

April 13, 2016

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members / All Senators

From: Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Chairman

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We look forward to your attendance and participation.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE April 13, 2016

FIRST NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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SECOND NOTICE of Public Hearing – April 20, 2016

Dani Reyes <danireyes@senatorbjcruz.com>

Mon, Apr 18, 2016 at 12:30 PM

To: PH Notice <phnotice@guamlegislature.org>

Cc: "Senator Rory J. Respicio" <cor@guamlegislature.org>, Clerks <clerks@guamlegislature.org>, Management Information System <mis@guamlegislature.org>, "Sergeant-at-Arms (Legislature)" <sgtarms@guamlegislature.org>

April 18, 2016

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members / All Senators

From: Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Chairman

Re: SECOND NOTICE of Public Hearing - April 20, 2016

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PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

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2:00 PM

Bill No. 294-33 (COR) – B.J.F. Cruz – "An act to *add* a new Section 1(ee)(5) to Chapter V of Public Law 33-66 relative to providing supplemental funding and authorization to the Guam Election Commission for its FY 2016 Operations and for payments on obligations incurred in prior years."

Bill No. 295-33 (COR) – B.J.F. Cruz / N.B. Underwood, Ph.D - "An act to add Section 18 to Part I, Chapter II of Public Law 33-66, relative to appropriating and depositing FY 2016 Territorial Educational Facilities Fund Revenues collected in excess of Twenty Eight Million Five Hundred Ninety Six Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Three Dollars (\$28,596,853) to the Guam Department of Education Operations Fund bank account for FY 2016 GDOE Operations."