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The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker I Mina'Trentai Tres na Liheslaturan Guåhan 155 Hesler Place

7015 Mar 17 Hagatna, Guam 96910 VIA: The Honorable Rory J. Respicio Chairman Committee on Rules, Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, Human & Natural Resources, Election Reform, and Capitol District

RE: Committee Report on Bill No. 38-33 (LS), As Amended by the Committee

Dear Speaker Won Pat,

Håfa adai! Transmitted herewith is the Committee Report on Bill No. 38-33 (LS), as amended by the Committee - "AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT BY ADOPTING THE UNIFORM ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS ACT (UETA); BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 91 TO DIVISION 3, TITLE 18, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED."

Committee votes are as follows:

- 3 TO DO PASS
- TO NOT PASS
- 5 TO REPORT OUT ONLY
- TO ABSTAIN
 - TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

Respectfully, MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Bill No. 38-33 (LS) As Amended by the Committee Introduced by Michael F.Q. San Nicolas

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This report includes the following:

- Vote Sheet
- Report Digest
- Copy of Bill No. 38-33 (LS), as Introduced
- Copy of Bill No. 38-33 (LS), as Amended
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Written Testimonies and Supporting Documents
- Fiscal Note Request
- Copy of COR Referral of Bill No. 38-33 (LS)
- Notices of Public Hearing
- Copy of the Public Hearing Agenda

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

Respectfully,

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COMMITTEE VOTE SHEET

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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

I. OVERVIEW

Bill No. 38-33 (LS) was introduced on February 19, 2015, by Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas. The bill was subsequently referred by the Committee on Rules to the Committee on Finance & Taxation, General Government Operations, and Youth Development on February 19, 2015.

The Committee on Finance & Taxation, General Government Operations, and Youth Development held a public hearing on March 12, 2015, in *I Liheslatura*'s Public Hearing Room. Among the items on the hearing agenda was Bill No. 38-33 (LS). The hearing convened at 10:01 a.m. and was recessed at 11:57 a.m. The hearing reconvened at 2:03 p.m. and was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Public Notice Requirements

Public Hearing notices were disseminated via electronic mail to all senators and all main media broadcasting outlets on March 5, 2015, and again on March 9, 2015. Notice was also posted on *I Liheslatura*'s website beginning on March 5, 2015.

Senators Present

Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, Committee Chairman Senator Mary C. Torres, Committee Vice Chairwoman Senator Thomas C. Ada, Committee Member Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Committee Member Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr., Committee Member Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr., Committee Member Senator Nerissa B. Underwood, Ph.D., Committee Member Senator Nerissa B. Underwood, Ph.D., Committee Member Senator James V. Espaldon, Committee Member Senator V. Anthony Ada Senator Tommy A. Morrison Senator Frank F. Blas, Jr.

Oral Testimony

None

<u>Written Testimony</u> Joseph Manibusan, Office of Technology, Department of Administration

II. TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

Chairman Michael San Nicolas: This bill models a law that has been adopted in 47 states, the District of Colombia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands that sets the framework for us to be able to use electronic

signatures as valid signatures to consenting parties with respect to any kind of contractual arrangements. Just to be clear, this bill does not require that electronic transactions be conducted. It just gives the legal framework for those electronic transactions to be binding as if they were done on paper. Anyone can still use a paper contract or do business paper-based if they would not want to do electronic-based. What this act will do is if you want to do any kind of business transaction electronically, it does provide the legal framework for us to be able to regulate it, enforce it, and adjudicate it in the courts. That is the gist of Bill 38-33. That will conclude the discussion on that bill; I don't think that we have anybody here present to testify. We do have some testimony on the record that has been submitted in writing and the Committee will consider that as we work on the final version that will be reported out. That testimony was submitted by the Office of Technology Data Manager Joey Manibusan. Other than that, we have no testimony of Bill 38-33 so we will conclude the hearing.

III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee on Finance & Taxation, General Government Operations, and Youth Development hereby reports out Bill No. 38-33 (LS), as amended by the Committee, with the recommendation <u>TO REPORT OUT</u>.

I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHÅN 2015 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 38.33 (LS)

Introduced by:

Michael F.Q. San Nicolas (P.

AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT BY ADOPTING THE UNIFORM ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS ACT (UETA); BY *ADDING* A *NEW* CHAPTER 91 TO DIVISION 3, TITLE 18, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section I. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guahan finds 2 that the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (UETA), promulgated by the 3 National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, has been adopted 4 by forty-seven states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. 5 UETA was developed by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform 6 State Laws to provide a legal framework for the use of electronic signatures and 7 records in government and business transactions. UETA makes electronic records 8 and signatures as legal as paper and manually signed signatures. 9

I Liheslatura further finds that with the expanded use of information technology and, in particular, the internet, in conducting routine business, lacking such basic legal infrastructure hinders the development of technological services which would routinely use electronic signatures and add costs unnecessarily to local businesses which seek to comply with Guam's laws in running their business.

15 It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* that the Uniform 16 Electronic Transactions Act be enacted, providing a legal framework for the use of

1	electronic signatures and records in Guam by adding a new Chapter 91 to Division
2	3, Title 18 of the Guam Code Annotated.
3	Section 2. Uniform Electronic Transactions Act. A new Chapter 91 is
4	hereby added to Division 3, Title 18, Guam Code Annotated, to read:
5	"CHAPTER 91
6	UNIFORM ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS ACT
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8	§ 91101. Short Title.
9	§ 91102. Definitions.
10	§ 91103. Scope.
11	§ 91104. Prospective Application.
12	§ 91105. Use of Electronic Records and Electronic Signatures; Variation by
13	Agreement.
14	§ 91106. Construction and Application.
15	§ 91107. Legal Recognition of Electronic Records, Electronic Signatures, and
16	Electronic Contracts.
17	§ 91108. Provision of Information in Writing; Presentation of Records.
18	§ 91109. Attribution and Effect of Electronic Record and Electronic
19	Signature.
20	§ 91110. Effect of Change or Error.
21	§ 91111. Notarization and Acknowledgment.
22	§ 91112. Retention of Electronic Records; originals.
23	§ 91113. Admissibility in Evidence.
24	§ 91114. Automated Transaction.
25	§ 91115. Time and Place of Sending and Receipt.
26	§ 91116. Transferable Records.

1	§ 91117. Creation and Retention of Electronic Records and Conversion of
2	Written Records by Governmental Agencies.
3	§ 91118. Acceptance and Distribution of Electronic Records by
4	Governmental Agencies.
5	§ 91119. Interoperability.
6	§ 91120. Severability Clause.
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8	§ 91101. Short Title.
9	This Division shall be cited as the 'Uniform Electronic Transactions
10	Act'.
11	§ 91102. Definitions.
12	In this Division:
13	(1) 'Agreement' means the bargain of the parties in fact, as found in
14	their language or inferred from other circumstances and from rules,
15	regulations, and procedures given the effect of agreements under laws
16	otherwise applicable to a particular transaction.
17	(2) 'Automated transaction' means a transaction conducted or
18	performed, in whole or in part, by electronic means or electronic records, in
19	which the acts or records of one or both parties are not reviewed by an
20	individual in the ordinary course in forming a contract, performing under an
21	existing contract, or fulfilling an obligation required by the transaction.
22	(3) 'Computer program' means a set of statements or instructions to
23	be used directly or indirectly in an information processing system in order to
24	bring about a certain result.
25	(4) 'Contract' means the total legal obligation resulting from the
26	parties' agreement as affected by this Division and other applicable law.

(5) 'Electronic' means relating to technology having electrical, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic, or similar capabilities.

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(6) 'Electronic agent' means a computer program or an electronic or other automated means used independently to initiate an action or respond to electronic records or performances in whole or in part, without review or action by an individual.

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(7) 'Electronic record' means a record created, generated, sent, communicated, received, or stored by electronic means.

- (8) 'Electronic signature' means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to or logically associated with a record and executed or adopted by a person with the intent to sign the record.
- (9) 'Governmental agency' means an executive, legislative, or judicial
 agency, department, board, commission, authority, institution, or
 instrumentality of the federal government or of a State or of a county,
 municipality, or other political subdivision of a State.
- (10) 'Information' means data, text, images, sounds, codes, computer
 programs, software, databases, or the like.
- (11) 'Information processing system' means an electronic system for
 creating, generating, sending, receiving, storing, displaying, or processing
 information.
- (12) 'Person' means an individual, corporation, business trust, estate,
 trust, partnership, limited liability company, association, joint venture,
 governmental agency, public corporation, or any other legal or commercial
 entity.
- (13) 'Record' means information that is inscribed on a tangible
 medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable
 in perceivable form.

1 (14) 'Security procedure' means a procedure employed for the 2 purpose of verifying that an electronic signature, record, or performance is 3 that of a specific person or for detecting changes or errors in the information 4 in an electronic record. The term includes a procedure that requires the use 5 of algorithms or other codes, identifying words or numbers, encryption, or 6 callback or other acknowledgment procedures.

(15) 'State' means a State of the United States, the District of
Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, the
Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, or any territory or insular
possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States. The term includes
an Indian tribe or band, or Alaskan native village, which is recognized by
federal law or formally acknowledged by a State.

(16) 'Transaction' means an action or set of actions occurring between
 two or more persons relating to the conduct of business, commercial, or
 governmental affairs.

16 § 91103. Scope.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), this Division
 applies to electronic records and electronic signatures relating to a
 transaction.

(b) This Division does not apply to a transaction to the extent it isgoverned by:

(1) a law governing the creation and execution of wills,
 codicils, or testamentary trusts;

(2) Title 13 of the Guam Code Annotated [The Uniform
Commercial Code] other than Division 1 §1107 [Waiver or
renunciation of claim or right after breach], Division 1 §1210

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[Presumptions Affect Burden of Producing Evidence], and Division 2 1 2 [Sales].

(c) This Division applies to an electronic record or electronic 3 signature otherwise excluded from the application of this Division under 4 subsection (b) to the extent it is governed by a law other than those specified 5 in subsection (b). 6

- (d) A transaction subject to this Division is also subject to other 7 applicable substantive law. 8
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§ 91104. Prospective Application.

This Division applies to any electronic record or electronic signature 10 created, generated, sent, communicated, received, or stored on or after the 11 effective date of this Division. 12

§ 91105. Use of Electronic Records and Electronic Signatures; Variation 13 by Agreement. 14

(a) This Division does not require a record or signature to be created, 15generated, sent, communicated, received, stored, or otherwise processed or 16 used by electronic means or in electronic form. 17

(b) This Division applies only to transactions between parties each of 18which has agreed to conduct transactions by electronic means. Whether the 19 parties agree to conduct a transaction by electronic means is determined 20 from the context and surrounding circumstances, including the parties' 21 conduct. 22

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(c) A party that agrees to conduct a transaction by electronic means may refuse to conduct other transactions by electronic means. The right 24 granted by this subsection may not be waived by agreement. 25

(d) Except as otherwise provided in this Division, the effect of any of 26 its provisions may be varied by agreement. The presence in certain 27

1	provisions of this Division of the words 'unless otherwise agreed', or words
2	of similar import, does not imply that the effect of other provisions may not
3	be varied by agreement.
4	(e) Whether an electronic record or electronic signature has legal
5	consequences is determined by this Division and other applicable law.
6	§ 91106. Construction and Application.
7	This Division must be construed and applied:
8	(1) to facilitate electronic transactions consistent with other applicable
9	law;
10	(2) to be consistent with reasonable practices concerning electronic
11	transactions and with the continued expansion of those practices; and
12	(3) to effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the law with
13	respect to the subject of this Division among States enacting it.
14	§ 91107. Legal Recognition of Electronic Records, Electronic
15	Signatures, and Electronic Contracts.
16	(a) A record or signature may not be denied legal effect or
17	enforceability solely because it is in electronic form.
18	(b) A contract may not be denied legal effect or enforceability solely
19	because an electronic record was used in its formation.
20	(c) If a law requires a record to be in writing, an electronic record
21	satisfies the law.
22	(d) If a law requires a signature, an electronic signature satisfies the
23	law.
24	§ 91108. Provision of Information in Writing; Presentation of Records.
25	(a) If parties have agreed to conduct a transaction by electronic means
26	and a law requires a person to provide, send, or deliver information in
27	writing to another person, the requirement is satisfied if the information is

provided, sent, or delivered, as the case may be, in an electronic record capable of retention by the recipient at the time of receipt. An electronic record is not capable of retention by the recipient if the sender or its information processing system inhibits the ability of the recipient to print or store the electronic record.

6 (b) If a law other than this Division requires a record (i) to be posted 7 or displayed in a certain manner, (ii) to be sent, communicated, or 8 transmitted by a specified method, or (iii) to contain information that is 9 formatted in a certain manner, the following rules apply:

(1) The record must be posted or displayed in the mannerspecified in the other law.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d)(2), the
record must be sent, communicated, or transmitted by the method
specified in the other law.

(3) The record must contain the information formatted in themanner specified in the other law.

17 (c) If a sender inhibits the ability of a recipient to store or print an 18 electronic record, the electronic record is not enforceable against the 19 recipient.

(d) The requirements of this section may not be varied by agreement,but:

(1) to the extent a law other than this Division requires
information to be provided, sent, or delivered in writing but permits
that requirement to be varied by agreement, the requirement under
subsection (a) that the information be in the form of an electronic
record capable of retention may also be varied by agreement; and

(2) a requirement under a law other than this Division to send, communicate, or transmit a record by first-class mail, postage prepaid or regular United States mail, may be varied by agreement to the extent permitted by the other law.

§ 91109. Attribution and Effect of Electronic Record and Electronic Signature.

(a) An electronic record or electronic signature is attributable to a person if it was the act of the person. The act of the person may be shown in any manner, including a showing of the efficacy of any security procedure applied to determine the person to which the electronic record or electronic signature was attributable.

(b) The effect of an electronic record or electronic signature attributed to a person under subsection (a) is determined from the context and surrounding circumstances at the time of its creation, execution, or adoption, including the parties' agreement, if any, and otherwise as provided by law.

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§ 91110. Effect of Change or Error.

If a change or error in an electronic record occurs in a transmission between parties to a transaction, the following rules apply:

(1) If the parties have agreed to use a security procedure to detect changes or errors and one party has conformed to the procedure, but the other party has not, and the nonconforming party would have detected the change or error had that party also conformed, the conforming party may avoid the effect of the changed or erroneous electronic record.

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(2) In an automated transaction involving an individual, the individual may avoid the effect of an electronic record that resulted from an error made by the individual in dealing with the electronic agent of another person if the electronic agent did not provide an opportunity for the prevention or

1	correction of the error and, at the time the individual learns of the error, the
24	individual:
3	(A) promptly notifies the other person of the error and that the
4	individual did not intend to be bound by the electronic record received
5	by the other person;
6	(B) takes reasonable steps, including steps that conform to the
7	other person's reasonable instructions, to return to the other person or,
8	if instructed by the other person, to destroy the consideration received,
9	if any, as a result of the erroneous electronic record; and
10	(C) has not used or received any benefit or value from the
11	consideration, if any, received from the other person.
12	(3) If neither subsection (1) nor subsection (2) applies, the change or
13	error has the effect provided by other law, including the law of mistake, and
14	the parties' contract, if any.
15	(4) Subsections (2) and (3) may not be varied by agreement.
16	§ 91111. Notarization and Acknowledgment.
17	If a law requires a signature or record to be notarized, acknowledged,
18	verified, or made under oath, the requirement is satisfied if the electronic
19	signature of the person authorized to perform those acts, together with all
20	other information required to be included by other applicable law, is
21	attached to or logically associated with the signature or record.
22	§ 91112. Retention of Electronic Records; Originals.
23	(a) If a law requires that a record be retained, the requirement is
24	satisfied by retaining an electronic record of the information in the record
25	which:

1	(1) accurately reflects the information set forth in the record
2	after it was first generated in its final form as an electronic record or
3	otherwise; and
4	(2) remains accessible for later reference.
5	(b) A requirement to retain a record in accordance with subsection (a)
6	does not apply to any information the sole purpose of which is to enable the
7	record to be sent, communicated, or received.
8	(c) A person may satisfy subsection (a) by using the services of
9	another person if the requirements of that subsection are satisfied.
10	(d) If a law requires a record to be presented or retained in its original
11	form, or provides consequences if the record is not presented or retained in
12	its original form, that law is satisfied by an electronic record retained in
13	accordance with subsection (a).
14	(e) If a law requires retention of a check, that requirement is satisfied
15	by retention of an electronic record of the information on the front and back
16	of the check in accordance with subsection (a).
17	(f) A record retained as an electronic record in accordance with
18	subsection (a) satisfies a law requiring a person to retain a record for
19	evidentiary, audit, or like purposes, unless a law enacted after the effective
20	date of this Division specifically prohibits the use of an electronic record for
21	the specified purpose.
22	(g) This section does not preclude a governmental agency of this State
23	from specifying additional requirements for the retention of a record subject
24	to the agency's jurisdiction.
25	§ 91113. Admissibility in Evidence.
26	In a proceeding, evidence of a record or signature may not be
27	excluded solely because it is in electronic form.

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§ 91114. Automated Transaction.

In an automated transaction, the following rules apply:

(1) A contract may be formed by the interaction of electronic agents of the parties, even if no individual was aware of or reviewed the electronic agents' actions or the resulting terms and agreements.

6 (2) A contract may be formed by the interaction of an electronic agent 7 and an individual, acting on the individual's own behalf or for another 8 person, including by an interaction in which the individual performs actions 9 that the individual is free to refuse to perform and which the individual 10 knows or has reason to know will cause the electronic agent to complete the 11 transaction or performance.

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(3) The terms of the contract are determined by the substantive law applicable to it.

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§ 91115. Time and Place of Sending and Receipt.

(a) Unless otherwise agreed between the sender and the recipient, an
 electronic record is sent when it:

(1) is addressed properly or otherwise directed properly to an
information processing system that the recipient has designated or
uses for the purpose of receiving electronic records or information of
the type sent and from which the recipient is able to retrieve the
electronic record;

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(2) is in a form capable of being processed by that system; and

(3) enters an information processing system outside the control
of the sender or of a person that sent the electronic record on behalf of
the sender or enters a region of the information processing system
designated or used by the recipient which is under the control of the
recipient.

- (b) Unless otherwise agreed between a sender and the recipient, an
 electronic record is received when:
- (1) it enters an information processing system that the recipient
 has designated or uses for the purpose of receiving electronic records
 or information of the type sent and from which the recipient is able to
 retrieve the electronic record; and
- 7 (2) it is in a form capable of being processed by that system.
- 8 (c) Subsection (b) applies even if the place the information processing
 9 system is located is different from the place the electronic record is deemed
 10 to be received under subsection (d).
- (d) Unless otherwise expressly provided in the electronic record or agreed between the sender and the recipient, an electronic record is deemed to be sent from the sender's place of business and to be received at the recipient's place of business. For purposes of this subsection, the following rules apply:
- (1) If the sender or recipient has more than one place of
 business, the place of business of that person is the place having the
 closest relationship to the underlying transaction.
- (2) If the sender or the recipient does not have a place of
 business, the place of business is the sender's or recipient's residence,
 as the case may be.
- (e) An electronic record is received under subsection (b) even if no
 individual is aware of its receipt.
- (f) Receipt of an electronic acknowledgment from an information
 processing system described in subsection (b) establishes that a record was
 received but, by itself, does not establish that the content sent corresponds to
 the content received.

1	(g) If a person is aware that an electronic record purportedly sen
2	under subsection (a), or purportedly received under subsection (b), was not
3	actually sent or received, the legal effect of the sending or receipt is
4	determined by other applicable law. Except to the extent permitted by the
5	other law, the requirements of this subsection may not be varied by
6	agreement.
7	§ 91116. Transferable Records.
8	(a) In this section, 'transferable record' means an electronic record
9	that:
10	(1) would be a note under Division 3 [Commercial Paper] of the
11	Uniform Commercial Code or a document under Division 7
12	[Warehouse Receipts, Bills of Lading and Other Documents of Title]
13	of the Uniform Commercial Code if the electronic record were in
14	writing; and
15	(2) the issuer of the electronic record expressly has agreed is a
16	transferable record.
17	(b) A person has control of a transferable record if a system employed
18	for evidencing the transfer of interests in the transferable record reliably
19	establishes that person as the person to which the transferable record was
20	issued or transferred.
21	(c) A system satisfies subsection (b), and a person is deemed to have
22	control of a transferable record, if the transferable record is created, stored,
23	and assigned in such a manner that:
24	(1) a single authoritative copy of the transferable record exists
25	which is unique, identifiable, and, except as otherwise provided in
26	subsections (4), (5), and (6), unalterable;

1	(2) the authoritative copy identifies the person asserting control
2	as:
3	(A) the person to which the transferable record was
4	issued; or
5	(B) if the authoritative copy indicates that the
G	transferable record has been transferred, the person to which the
7	transferable record was most recently transferred;
8	(3) the authoritative copy is communicated to and maintained
9	by the person asserting control or its designated custodian;
10	(4) copies or revisions that add or change an identified assignee
11	of the authoritative copy can be made only with the consent of the
12	person asserting control;
13	(5) each copy of the authoritative copy and any copy of a copy
14	is readily identifiable as a copy that is not the authoritative copy; and
15	(6) any revision of the authoritative copy is readily identifiable
16	as authorized or unauthorized.
17	(d) Except as otherwise agreed, a person having control of a
18	transferable record is the holder, as defined in Division 1 §1201(20) of the
19	Uniform Commercial Code, of the transferable record and has the same
20	rights and defenses as a holder of an equivalent record or writing under the
21	Uniform Commercial Code, including, if the applicable statutory
22	requirements under §§ 3302, 7501, or 9303 of the Uniform Commercial
23	Code are satisfied, the rights and defenses of a holder in due course, a holder
24	to which a negotiable document of title has been duly negotiated, or a
25	purchaser, respectively. Delivery, possession, and endorsement are not
26	required to obtain or exercise any of the rights under this subsection.

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(e) Except as otherwise agreed, an obligor under a transferable record has the same rights and defenses as an equivalent obligor under equivalent records or writings under the Uniform Commercial Code.

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(f) If requested by a person against which enforcement is sought, the person seeking to enforce the transferable record shall provide reasonable 5 proof that the person is in control of the transferable record. Proof may 6 include access to the authoritative copy of the transferable record and related 7 8 business records sufficient to review the terms of the transferable record and to establish the identity of the person having control of the transferable 9 record.

§ 91117. Creation and Retention of Electronic Records and Conversion 11 of Written Records by Governmental Agencies. 12

Each governmental agency of this State shall determine whether, and 13 the extent to which, it will create and retain electronic records and convert 14 written records to electronic records. 15

Acceptance and Distribution of Electronic Records by § 91118. 16 **Governmental Agencies.** 17

(a) Except as otherwise provided in 1112(f) of this Division, each 18governmental agency of this State shall determine whether, and the extent to 19 which, it will send and accept electronic records and electronic signatures to 20 and from other persons and otherwise create, generate, communicate, store, 21 process, use, and rely upon electronic records and electronic signatures. 22

(b) To the extent that a governmental agency uses electronic records 23 and electronic signatures under subsection (a), the governmental agency, 24 giving due consideration to security, may specify: 25

(1) the manner and format in which the electronic records must
 be created, generated, sent, communicated, received, and stored and
 the systems established for those purposes;

4 (2) if electronic records must be signed by electronic means,
5 the type of electronic signature required, the manner and format in
6 which the electronic signature must be affixed to the electronic record,
7 and the identity of, or criteria that must be met by, any third party
8 used by a person filing a document to facilitate the process;

9 (3) control processes and procedures as appropriate to ensure
 adequate preservation, disposition, integrity, security, confidentiality,
 and auditability of electronic records; and

(4) any other required attributes for electronic records which
 are specified for corresponding non-electronic records or reasonably
 necessary under the circumstances.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in § 11112(f) of this Division, this
 Division does not require a governmental agency of this State to use or
 permit the use of electronic records or electronic signatures.

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§ 91119. Interoperability.

The governmental agency of this State which adopts standards pursuant to \$11118 of this Division may encourage and promote consistency and interoperability with similar requirements adopted by other governmental agencies of this and other States and the federal government and nongovernmental persons interacting with governmental agencies of this State. If appropriate, those standards may specify differing levels of

standards from which governmental agencies of this State may choose in
 implementing the most appropriate standard for a particular application.

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§ 91120. Severability Clause.

If any provision of this Division or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this Division which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Division are severable."

I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHÅN 2015 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 38-33 (COR)

As Amended by the Committee on Finance & Taxation, General Government Operations, and Youth Development.

Introduced by:

Michael F.Q. San Nicolas

AN ACT TO THE MODERNIZE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT BY ADOPTING THE **UNIFORM ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS** ACT (UETA);BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 91 TO DIVISION 3, TITLE **18, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds 2 that the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (UETA), promulgated by the 3 National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, has been adopted 4 by forty-seven states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. 5 UETA was developed by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform 6 State Laws to provide a legal framework for the use of electronic signatures and 7 records in government and business transactions. UETA makes electronic records 8 and signatures as legal as paper and manually signed signatures. 9

I Liheslatura further finds that with the expanded use of information technology and, in particular, the internet, in conducting routine business, lacking such basic legal infrastructure hinders the development of technological services which would routinely use electronic signatures and add costs unnecessarily to local businesses which seek to comply with Guam's laws in running their business. It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* that the Uniform

Electronic Transactions Act be enacted, providing a legal framework for the use of

1	electronic signatures and records in Guam by adding a new Chapter 91 to Division
2	3, Title 18 of the Guam Code Annotated.
3	Section 2. Uniform Electronic Transactions Act. A new Chapter 91 is
4	nereby added to Division 3, Title 18, Guam Code Annotated, to read:
5	"CHAPTER 91
6	UNIFORM ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS ACT
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8	§ 91101. Short Title.
9	§ 91102. Definitions.
10	§ 91103. Scope.
11	§ 91104. Prospective Application.
12	§ 91105. Use of Electronic Records and Electronic Signatures; Variation by
13	Agreement.
14	§ 91106. Construction and Application.
15	§ 91107. Legal Recognition of Electronic Records, Electronic Signatures, and
16	Electronic Contracts.
17	§ 91108. Provision of Information in Writing; Presentation of Records.
18	§ 91109. Attribution and Effect of Electronic Record and Electronic
19	Signature.
20	§ 91110. Effect of Change or Error.
21	§ 91111. Notarization and Acknowledgment.
22	§ 91112. Retention of Electronic Records; originals.
23	§ 91113. Admissibility in Evidence.
24	§ 91114. Automated Transaction.
25	§ 91115. Time and Place of Sending and Receipt.
26	§ 91116. Transferable Records.

- § 91117. Creation and Retention of Electronic Records and Conversion of 1 Written Records by Governmental Agencies. 2 § 91118. Acceptance and Distribution of Electronic Records by 3 Governmental Agencies. 4 § 91119. Interoperability. 5 § 91120. Severability Clause. 6 7 § 91101. Short Title. 8 This Chapter Division shall be cited as the 'Uniform Electronic 9 Transactions Act'. 10 § 91102. Definitions. 11 In this Chapter Division: 12 (1) 'Agreement' means the bargain of the parties in fact, as found in 13 their language or inferred from other circumstances and from rules, 14 regulations, and procedures given the effect of agreements under laws 15 otherwise applicable to a particular transaction. 16 (2) 'Automated transaction' means a transaction conducted or 17 performed, in whole or in part, by electronic means or electronic records, in 18 which the acts or records of one or both parties are not reviewed by an 19 individual in the ordinary course in forming a contract, performing under an 20 existing contract, or fulfilling an obligation required by the transaction. 21 (3) 'Computer program' means a set of statements or instructions to 22 be used directly or indirectly in an information processing system in order to 23 bring about a certain result. 24 (4) 'Contract' means the total legal obligation resulting from the 25
- 25 (4) Contract means the total legal obligation resulting from the 26 parties' agreement as affected by this <u>Chapter Division</u> and other applicable 27 law.

(5) 'Electronic' means relating to technology having electrical, digital,
 magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic, or similar capabilities.

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(6) 'Electronic agent' means a computer program or an electronic or other automated means used independently to initiate an action or respond to electronic records or performances in whole or in part, without review or action by an individual.

(7) 'Electronic record' means a record created, generated, sent, communicated, received, or stored by electronic means.

9 (8) 'Electronic signature' means an electronic sound, symbol, or 10 process attached to or logically associated with a record and executed or 11 adopted by a person with the intent to sign the record.

(9) 'Governmental agency' means an executive, legislative, or judicial
 agency, department, board, commission, authority, institution, or
 instrumentality of the federal government or of a State or of a county,
 municipality, or other political subdivision of a State.

(10) 'Information' means data, text, images, sounds, codes, computer
 programs, software, databases, or the like.

(11) 'Information processing system' means an electronic system for
 creating, generating, sending, receiving, storing, displaying, or processing
 information.

(12) 'Person' means an individual, corporation, business trust, estate,
 trust, partnership, limited liability company, association, joint venture,
 governmental agency, public corporation, or any other legal or commercial
 entity.

(13) 'Record' means information that is inscribed on a tangible
 medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable
 in perceivable form.

1 (14) 'Security procedure' means a procedure employed for the 2 purpose of verifying that an electronic signature, record, or performance is 3 that of a specific person or for detecting changes or errors in the information 4 in an electronic record. The term includes a procedure that requires the use 5 of algorithms or other codes, identifying words or numbers, encryption, or 6 callback or other acknowledgment procedures.

(15) 'State' means a State of the United States, the District of
Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, the
Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, or any territory or insular
possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States. The term includes
an Indian tribe or band, or Alaskan native village, which is recognized by
federal law or formally acknowledged by a State.

(16) 'Transaction' means an action or set of actions occurring between
 two or more persons relating to the conduct of business, commercial, or
 governmental affairs.

16 **§ 91103. Scope.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), this <u>Chapter</u>
 Division applies to electronic records and electronic signatures relating to a
 transaction.

(b) This <u>Chapter</u> Division does not apply to a transaction to the extent
it is governed by:

22 23 (1) a law governing the creation and execution of wills, codicils, or testamentary trusts;

(2) Title 13 of the Guam Code Annotated [The Uniform
Commercial Code] other than Division 1 §1107 [Waiver or
renunciation of claim or right after breach], Division 1 §1210

- [Presumptions Affect Burden of Producing Evidence], and Division 2 1 [Sales]. 2 (c) This Chapter Division applies to an electronic record or electronic 3 signature otherwise excluded from the application of this Chapter Division 4 5 under subsection (b) to the extent it is governed by a law other than those specified in subsection (b). 6 (d) A transaction subject to this Chapter Division is also subject to 7 other applicable substantive law. 8 § 91104. Prospective Application. 9 This <u>Chapter</u> Division applies to any electronic record or electronic 10 signature created, generated, sent, communicated, received, or stored on or 11 after the effective date of this Chapter Division. 12 § 91105. Use of Electronic Records and Electronic Signatures; Variation 13 by Agreement. 14 (a) This <u>Chapter Division</u> does not require a record or signature to be 15 created, generated, sent, communicated, received, stored, or otherwise 16 processed or used by electronic means or in electronic form. 17 (b) This Chapter Division applies only to transactions between parties 18 each of which has agreed to conduct transactions by electronic means. 19 Whether the parties agree to conduct a transaction by electronic means is 20 determined from the context and surrounding circumstances, including the 21 parties' conduct. 22 (c) A party that agrees to conduct a transaction by electronic means 23 may refuse to conduct other transactions by electronic means. The right 24 granted by this subsection may not be waived by agreement. 25
- 26 (d) Except as otherwise provided in this <u>Chapter Division</u>, the effect
 27 of any of its provisions may be varied by agreement. The presence in certain

1	provisions of this Chapter Division of the words 'unless otherwise agreed',
2	or words of similar import, does not imply that the effect of other provisions
3	may not be varied by agreement.
4	(e) Whether an electronic record or electronic signature has legal
5	consequences is determined by this Chapter Division and other applicable
6	law.
7	§ 91106. Construction and Application.
8	This Chapter Division must be construed and applied:
9	(1) to facilitate electronic transactions consistent with other applicable
10	law;
11	(2) to be consistent with reasonable practices concerning electronic
12	transactions and with the continued expansion of those practices; and
13	(3) to effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the law with
14	respect to the subject of this Chapter Division among States enacting it.
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writing to another person, the requirement is satisfied if the information is
provided, sent, or delivered, as the case may be, in an electronic record
capable of retention by the recipient at the time of receipt. An electronic
record is not capable of retention by the recipient if the sender or its
information processing system inhibits the ability of the recipient to print or
store the electronic record.

(b) If a law other than this <u>Chapter Division</u> requires a record (i) to be
posted or displayed in a certain manner, (ii) to be sent, communicated, or
transmitted by a specified method, or (iii) to contain information that is
formatted in a certain manner, the following rules apply:

11 (1) The record must be posted or displayed in the manner 12 specified in the other law.

13 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d)(2), the
14 record must be sent, communicated, or transmitted by the method
15 specified in the other law.

16 (3) The record must contain the information formatted in the17 manner specified in the other law.

18 (c) If a sender inhibits the ability of a recipient to store or print an 19 electronic record, the electronic record is not enforceable against the 20 recipient.

21 (d) The requirements of this section may not be varied by agreement,
22 but:

(1) to the extent a law other than this <u>Chapter Division</u> requires
information to be provided, sent, or delivered in writing but permits
that requirement to be varied by agreement, the requirement under
subsection (a) that the information be in the form of an electronic
record capable of retention may also be varied by agreement; and

(2) a requirement under a law other than this <u>Chapter Division</u>
to send, communicate, or transmit a record by first-class mail, postage
prepaid or regular United States mail, may be varied by agreement to
the extent permitted by the other law.

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§ 91109. Attribution and Effect of Electronic Record and Electronic Signature.

(a) An electronic record or electronic signature is attributable to a person if it was the act of the person. The act of the person may be shown in any manner, including a showing of the efficacy of any security procedure applied to determine the person to which the electronic record or electronic signature was attributable.

- (b) The effect of an electronic record or electronic signature attributed
 to a person under subsection (a) is determined from the context and
 surrounding circumstances at the time of its creation, execution, or adoption,
 including the parties' agreement, if any, and otherwise as provided by law.
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§ 91110. Effect of Change or Error.

If a change or error in an electronic record occurs in a transmission between parties to a transaction, the following rules apply:

(1) If the parties have agreed to use a security procedure to detect
changes or errors and one party has conformed to the procedure, but the
other party has not, and the nonconforming party would have detected the
change or error had that party also conformed, the conforming party may
avoid the effect of the changed or erroneous electronic record.

(2) In an automated transaction involving an individual, the individual
may avoid the effect of an electronic record that resulted from an error made
by the individual in dealing with the electronic agent of another person if the
electronic agent did not provide an opportunity for the prevention or

correction of the error and, at the time the individual learns of the error, theindividual:

3 (A) promptly notifies the other person of the error and that the
4 individual did not intend to be bound by the electronic record received
5 by the other person;

6 (B) takes reasonable steps, including steps that conform to the 7 other person's reasonable instructions, to return to the other person or, 8 if instructed by the other person, to destroy the consideration received, 9 if any, as a result of the erroneous electronic record; and

10(C) has not used or received any benefit or value from the11consideration, if any, received from the other person.

(3) If neither subsection (1) nor subsection (2) applies, the change or
error has the effect provided by other law, including the law of mistake, and
the parties' contract, if any.

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(4) Subsections (2) and (3) may not be varied by agreement.

§ 91111. Notarization and Acknowledgment.

If a law requires a signature or record to be notarized, acknowledged, verified, or made under oath, the requirement is satisfied if the electronic signature of the person authorized to perform those acts, together with all other information required to be included by other applicable law, is attached to or logically associated with the signature or record.

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§ 91112. Retention of Electronic Records; Originals.

(a) If a law requires that a record be retained, the requirement is
satisfied by retaining an electronic record of the information in the record
which:

- (1) accurately reflects the information set forth in the record
 after it was first generated in its final form as an electronic record or
 otherwise; and
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(2) remains accessible for later reference.

(b) A requirement to retain a record in accordance with subsection (a) does not apply to any information the sole purpose of which is to enable the record to be sent, communicated, or received.

8 (c) A person may satisfy subsection (a) by using the services of
9 another person if the requirements of that subsection are satisfied.

10 (d) If a law requires a record to be presented or retained in its original 11 form, or provides consequences if the record is not presented or retained in 12 its original form, that law is satisfied by an electronic record retained in 13 accordance with subsection (a).

(e) If a law requires retention of a check, that requirement is satisfied
by retention of an electronic record of the information on the front and back
of the check in accordance with subsection (a).

(f) A record retained as an electronic record in accordance with
subsection (a) satisfies a law requiring a person to retain a record for
evidentiary, audit, or like purposes, unless a law enacted after the effective
date of this <u>Chapter Division</u> specifically prohibits the use of an electronic
record for the specified purpose.

- (g) This section does not preclude a governmental agency of this State
 from specifying additional requirements for the retention of a record subject
 to the agency's jurisdiction.
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§ 91113. Admissibility in Evidence.

In a proceeding, evidence of a record or signature may not be excluded solely because it is in electronic form.

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§ 91114. Automated Transaction.

In an automated transaction, the following rules apply:

(1) A contract may be formed by the interaction of electronic agents of the parties, even if no individual was aware of or reviewed the electronic agents' actions or the resulting terms and agreements.

6 (2) A contract may be formed by the interaction of an electronic agent 7 and an individual, acting on the individual's own behalf or for another 8 person, including by an interaction in which the individual performs actions 9 that the individual is free to refuse to perform and which the individual 10 knows or has reason to know will cause the electronic agent to complete the 11 transaction or performance.

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(3) The terms of the contract are determined by the substantive law applicable to it.

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§ 91115. Time and Place of Sending and Receipt.

(a) Unless otherwise agreed between the sender and the recipient, an
 electronic record is sent when it:

(1) is addressed properly or otherwise directed properly to an
information processing system that the recipient has designated or
uses for the purpose of receiving electronic records or information of
the type sent and from which the recipient is able to retrieve the
electronic record;

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(2) is in a form capable of being processed by that system; and

(3) enters an information processing system outside the control
of the sender or of a person that sent the electronic record on behalf of
the sender or enters a region of the information processing system
designated or used by the recipient which is under the control of the
recipient.

- (b) Unless otherwise agreed between a sender and the recipient, an
 electronic record is received when:
- (1) it enters an information processing system that the recipient
 has designated or uses for the purpose of receiving electronic records
 or information of the type sent and from which the recipient is able to
 retrieve the electronic record; and
 - (2) it is in a form capable of being processed by that system.
- 8 (c) Subsection (b) applies even if the place the information processing
 9 system is located is different from the place the electronic record is deemed
 10 to be received under subsection (d).

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- 11 (d) Unless otherwise expressly provided in the electronic record or 12 agreed between the sender and the recipient, an electronic record is deemed 13 to be sent from the sender's place of business and to be received at the 14 recipient's place of business. For purposes of this subsection, the following 15 rules apply:
- (1) If the sender or recipient has more than one place of
 business, the place of business of that person is the place having the
 closest relationship to the underlying transaction.
- (2) If the sender or the recipient does not have a place of
 business, the place of business is the sender's or recipient's residence,
 as the case may be.
- (e) An electronic record is received under subsection (b) even if noindividual is aware of its receipt.
- (f) Receipt of an electronic acknowledgment from an information
 processing system described in subsection (b) establishes that a record was
 received but, by itself, does not establish that the content sent corresponds to
 the content received.

(g) If a person is aware that an electronic record purportedly sent 1 under subsection (a), or purportedly received under subsection (b), was not 2 actually sent or received, the legal effect of the sending or receipt is 3 determined by other applicable law. Except to the extent permitted by the 4 other law, the requirements of this subsection may not be varied by 5 agreement. 6 § 91116. Transferable Records. 7 (a) In this section, 'transferable record' means an electronic record 8 that: 9 (1) would be a note under Division 3 [Commercial Paper] of the 10 Uniform Commercial Code or a document under Division 7 11 [Warehouse Receipts, Bills of Lading and Other Documents of Title] 12 of the Uniform Commercial Code if the electronic record were in 13 writing; and 14 (2) the issuer of the electronic record expressly has agreed is a 15 transferable record. 16 (b) A person has control of a transferable record if a system employed 17 for evidencing the transfer of interests in the transferable record reliably 18 establishes that person as the person to which the transferable record was 19 issued or transferred. 20 (c) A system satisfies subsection (b), and a person is deemed to have 21 control of a transferable record, if the transferable record is created, stored, 22 and assigned in such a manner that: 23 (1) a single authoritative copy of the transferable record exists 24 which is unique, identifiable, and, except as otherwise provided in 25 subsections (4), (5), and (6), unalterable; 26

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(2) the authoritative copy identifies the person asserting control 1 2 as: (A) the person to which the transferable record was 3 issued: or 4 5 (\mathbf{B}) if the authoritative copy indicates that the transferable record has been transferred, the person to which the 6 transferable record was most recently transferred; 7 (3) the authoritative copy is communicated to and maintained 8 by the person asserting control or its designated custodian; 9 (4) copies or revisions that add or change an identified assignee 10 of the authoritative copy can be made only with the consent of the 11 person asserting control; 12 (5) each copy of the authoritative copy and any copy of a copy 13 is readily identifiable as a copy that is not the authoritative copy; and 14 (6) any revision of the authoritative copy is readily identifiable 15 as authorized or unauthorized. 16 (d) Except as otherwise agreed, a person having control of a 17 transferable record is the holder, as defined in Division 1 §1201(20) of the 18 Uniform Commercial Code, of the transferable record and has the same 19 20 rights and defenses as a holder of an equivalent record or writing under the Uniform Commercial Code, including, if the applicable statutory 21 requirements under §§ 3302, 7501, or 9303 of the Uniform Commercial 22 Code are satisfied, the rights and defenses of a holder in due course, a holder 23 to which a negotiable document of title has been duly negotiated, or a 24 purchaser, respectively. Delivery, possession, and endorsement are not 25 required to obtain or exercise any of the rights under this subsection. 26

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(e) Except as otherwise agreed, an obligor under a transferable record has the same rights and defenses as an equivalent obligor under equivalent records or writings under the Uniform Commercial Code.

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4 (f) If requested by a person against which enforcement is sought, the 5 person seeking to enforce the transferable record shall provide reasonable 6 proof that the person is in control of the transferable record. Proof may 7 include access to the authoritative copy of the transferable record and related 8 business records sufficient to review the terms of the transferable record and 9 to establish the identity of the person having control of the transferable 10 record.

§ 91117. Creation and Retention of Electronic Records and Conversion of Written Records by Governmental Agencies.

Each governmental agency of this State shall determine whether, and the extent to which, it will create and retain electronic records and convert written records to electronic records.

§ 91118. Acceptance and Distribution of Electronic Records by Governmental Agencies.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in <u>§91112(f)</u> <u>§11112(f)</u> of this
<u>Chapter Division</u>, each governmental agency of this State shall determine
whether, and the extent to which, it will send and accept electronic records
and electronic signatures to and from other persons and otherwise create,
generate, communicate, store, process, use, and rely upon electronic records
and electronic signatures.

(b) To the extent that a governmental agency uses electronic records
and electronic signatures under subsection (a), the governmental agency,
giving due consideration to security, may specify:

- (1) the manner and format in which the electronic records must
 be created, generated, sent, communicated, received, and stored and
 the systems established for those purposes;
- (2) if electronic records must be signed by electronic means,
 the type of electronic signature required, the manner and format in
 which the electronic signature must be affixed to the electronic record,
 and the identity of, or criteria that must be met by, any third party
 used by a person filing a document to facilitate the process;
- 9 (3) control processes and procedures as appropriate to ensure
 10 adequate preservation, disposition, integrity, security, confidentiality,
 11 and auditability of electronic records; and
- (4) any other required attributes for electronic records which
 are specified for corresponding non-electronic records or reasonably
 necessary under the circumstances.
- 15 (c) Except as otherwise provided in <u>§91112(f)</u> §11112(f) of this 16 <u>Chapter Division</u>, this <u>Chapter Division</u> does not require a governmental 17 agency of this State to use or permit the use of electronic records or 18 electronic signatures.
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§ 91119. Interoperability.

The governmental agency of this State which adopts standards pursuant to <u>§91118</u> <u>§11118</u> of this <u>Chapter Division</u> may encourage and promote consistency and interoperability with similar requirements adopted by other governmental agencies of this and other States and the federal government and nongovernmental persons interacting with governmental agencies of this State. If appropriate, those standards may specify differing levels of
 standards from which governmental agencies of this State may choose in
 implementing the most appropriate standard for a particular application.

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§ 91120. Severability Clause.

If any provision of this <u>Chapter Division</u> or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this <u>Chapter Division</u> which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this <u>Chapter Division</u> are severable."



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Bill No. 38-33 (LS), introduced by M.F.Q. San Nicolas: AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT BY ADOPTING THE UNIFORM ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS ACT (UETA); BY *ADDING* A *NEW* CHAPTER 91 TO DIVISION 3, TITLE 18, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.

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RE: Bill 38-33 "Uniform Electronic Transaction Act"

Hafa Adai Vice Speaker,

There is a Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (UETA) which was developed by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (NCCUSL) to provide a legal framework for the use of electronic signatures and records in government or business transactions. The UETA makes electronic records and signatures as legal as paper and manually signed signatures.

Forty-seven states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands have adopted the UETA promulgated by the NCCUSL. The states of New York, Illinois, and Washington have not adopted the UETA but they have enacted their own statutes pertaining to electronic transactions.

Bill 38-33 intends to establish Guam's UETA and appears to fall in line with the national UETA. There appears to be flexibility in the language of Bill 38 which allows a government of Guam agency to determine whether, and the extent to which it will conduct electronic transactions as per the UETA to send, receive, and process electronic records and electronic signatures.

The proposed Guam UETA will help bring the government of Guam, and possibly the island community as a whole to the next level of electronic commerce.

The type of technology (hardware, software, etc.) that a government of Guam agency will need to conduct electronic transactions will be determined by the requirements and parameters in which the agency desires to conduct electronic business. There is no "one-size-fits-all" formula for this. Furthermore, the cost of the various types of technology needed for electronic transactions will certainly influence an agency's decision on the extent to which they desire to conduct electronic transactions.

Please note that the bill makes the following references:

- 1. § 91118(a) "Except as otherwise provided in §11112(f) of this Division..."
- 2. § 91118(c) "Except as otherwise provided in §11112(f) of this Division..."
- 3. § 91119 "Except as otherwise provided in §11118 of this Division..."

However, subsections 11112 and 11118 do not exist within Division 3, Title 18.

The Office of Technology supports the spirit and intent of Bill 38-33. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this bill.

Si Yu'os Ma'ase,

Jøseph C. Manibusan (Joey) Data Processing Manager Office of Technology



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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. 38-33 (LS) – Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, "AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT BY ADOPTING THE UNIFORM ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS ACT (UETA); BY ADDING A NEWCHAPTER 91 TO DIVISION3,TITLE 18, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED."– on February 25, 2015. COR hereby certifies that BBMR confirmed receipt of this request February 25, 2015 at 1:52 p.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 38-33 (LS) to be included in the committee report on said bill, is hereby waived.

Certified by:

Senator Rory J. Respicio *Chairperson, Committee on Rules*

March 17, 2015 Date



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RE: Request for Fiscal Notes- Bill Nos. 38-33(LS) through 41-33(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,

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Senator Rory J. Respicio *Chairperson of the Committee on Rules*

Attachment (1)

Cc: Clerk of the Legislature

Bill Nos.	Sponsor	Title
38-33 (LS)	Michael F.Q. San Nicotas	AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT BY ADOPTING THE UNIFORM ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS ACT (UETA); BY ADDING A NEWCHAPTER 91 TO DIVISION3, TITLE 18, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.
39-33 (LS)	Tommy A. Morrison T. R. Muña Barnes	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE 4, §§ 9401-9404, TO CHAPTER 9, DIVISION 1, TITLE 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROMOTING THE GUAM PRODUCT ABROAD THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CULTURAL AND SPORTS AMBASSADORSHIP PROGRAM FUND.
40-33 (COR)	FRANK B. AGUON, JR.	AN ACT TO AMEND §§ 8107 AND 8108 OF CHAPTER 8, TITLE 7 GCA, §5103(d) OF CHAPTER 5, TITLE 17 GCA, AND § 6403 OF ARTICLE 4, CHAPTER 6, TITLE 17 GCA, AND BY ADDING A NEW §55102(h) OF CHAPTER 55, TITLE 10 GCA, RELATIVE TO PROPERLY CLASSIFY LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM BY RENAMING "ATTENDANCE OFFICERS" AS "TRUANCY OFFICERS" TO REFLECT PRACTICE THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES AND CLASSIFY SUCH OFFICERS AS LAW ENFORCEMENT UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC LAW 29-105; AND TO PROVIDE UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT TO TRUANCY OFFICERS.
41-33 (COR)	B. J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TOREPEAL AND REENACT CHAPTER 35 OF DIVISION 3, TITLE 5 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ADOPTING REVISIONS TO THE UNIFORM INTERSTATE FAMILY SUPPORT ACT.



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MEMORANDUM

To: Rennae Meno Clerk of the Legislature

> **Attorney Therese M. Terlaje** *Legislative Legal Counsel*

From: Senator Rory J. Respicio Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: Referral of Bill No. 38-33(LS)

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 38-33(LS)**.

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

I Mina'Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Received Bill Log Sheet

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES
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		ENVIRONMENT BY ADOPTING THE	2:15 p.m.		Taxation, General Government			
38-33 (LS)		UNIFORM ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS ACT			Operations and Youth			
36-33 (L3)		(UETA);BY ADDING A NEWCHAPTER 91 TO			Development			
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		ANNOTATED.						



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March 5, 2015

In accordance with the Open Government Law, relative to notices for public meetings, please be advised that Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, Chairman of the Committee on Finance & Taxation, General Government Operations, and Youth Development, will be convening legislative hearings on **Thursday, March 12, 2015**, in *I Liheslaturan Guåhan's* Public Hearing Room at the following times and on the following items:

<u>10:00 a.m.</u>

Bill No. 3-33 (LS), introduced by T.A. Morrison, R.J. Respicio, and B.T. McCreadie, as corrected by the Primary Sponsor: AN ACT TO AMEND §5204(D) OF ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 5, TITLE 11, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE PROCUREMENT OF SPORTS EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES FOR YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SPORTS PROGRAMS.

BILL NO. 9-33 (COR), INTRODUCED BY D.G. RODRIGUEZ, Jr.: AN ACT TO ADOPT THE RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATIVE TO RESPONSIBLE ALCOHOL SERVER/SELLER TRAINING PROGRAMS, BY *AMENDING* CHAPTER 2- ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD, OF TITLE 3, GUAM ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND REGULATIONS – BUSINESS REGULATIONS.

BIL No. 31-33 (COR), introduced by B.J.F. Cruz: AN ACT TO AMEND § 26120 OF CHAPTER 26 OF TITLE 11 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; RELATIVE TO THE INSPECTION OF TAX RETURNS AND OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE FILED OF FURNISHED BY THE TAXPAYER.

Bill No. 38-33 (LS), introduced by M.F.Q. San Nicolas: AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT BY ADOPTING THE UNIFORM ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS ACT (UETA); BY *ADDING* A *NEW* CHAPTER 91 TO DIVISION 3, TITLE 18, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.

<u>2:00 p.m.</u>

Bill No. 7-33 (COR) , introduced by D.G. Rodriguez, Jr.: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A HAZARDOUS PAY DIFFERENTIAL FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE GUAM BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER IN UNSAFE OR DANGEROUS HAZARDOUS DUTY WORKING CONDITIONS, BY ADDING A NEW §86112 TO CHAPTER 86, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.

BII NO. 11-33 (COR), INTRODUCED BY D.G RODRIGUEZ, JR.: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL PAY PLAN CATEGORY IN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM COMPETITIVE WAGE ACT OF 2014, AND REINSTATE THE PRIOR PAY PLAN RATE FOR THESE POSITIONS, AND MANDATE A REASSESSMENT OF HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS SALARY RANGES SO AS TO BE COMPETITIVE BASED UPON NATIONAL STANDARDS.

Bill No. 27-33 (COR), introduced by F.B. Aguon, Jr.: AN ACT RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING THAT PUBLIC EMPLOYEES WITH SUPERIOR RATINGS IN FISCAL YEAR 2002 WERE NOT COMPENSATED FOR MERITORIOUS PERFORMANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN §6203, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION OF THE MERIT BONUS PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002; AND PROVIDING FOR SUCH PAYMENTS.

Bill No. 46-33 (COR), introduced by D.G. Rodriguez, Jr.: AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 6235 TO ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 6, 4 GCA, RELATIVE TO PROVIDING A PAY INCENTIVE TO GOVERNMENT OF GUAM LINE AGENCY'S, THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY, AND THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE OBTAINED CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, CERTIFIED FRAUD EXAMINER, AND CERTIFIED INTERNAL AUDITOR CERTIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO RECOGNIZED NATIONAL STANDARDS TO PRESERVE THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM'S ABILITY TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN SUCH PROFESSIONALS.

Nomination of ANTHONY C. BLAZ

Position: Director, Department of Administration

Nomination of BEN ANTHONY B. REYES

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Nomination of KATHRINE B. KAKIGI

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If written testimonies are to be presented for the items listed above, copies should be delivered prior to the hearing date. Testimonies should be addressed to Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas and will be accepted via hand delivery to our office at the DNA Building, Suite 407, 238 Archbishop Flores Street, Hagatna, Guam; at the mail room at the Main Legislature Building at 155 Hesler Place, Hagatna, Guam 96910; or via email to senatorsannicolas@gmail.com. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals requiring special accommodations or services should contact the Office of Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas at (671) 472-6453 or by sending an email to senatorsannicolas@gmail.com.

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SECOND PUBLIC NOTICE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 9, 2015

In accordance with the Open Government Law, relative to notices for public meetings, please be advised that Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, Chairman of the Committee on Finance & Taxation, General Government Operations, and Youth Development, will be convening legislative hearings on **Thursday, March 12, 2015,** in *I Liheslaturan Guåhan's* Public Hearing Room at the following times and on the following items:

<u>10:00 a.m.</u>

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<u>2:00 p.m.</u>

Bill No. 7-33 (COR), introduced by D.G. Rodriguez, Jr.: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A HAZARDOUS PAY DIFFERENTIAL FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE GUAM BEHAVIORAL

HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER IN UNSAFE OR DANGEROUS HAZARDOUS DUTY WORKING CONDITIONS, BY ADDING A NEW §86112 TO CHAPTER 86, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.

BIII NO. 11-33 (COR), INTRODUCED BY D.G RODRIGUEZ, Jr.: AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL PAY PLAN CATEGORY IN THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM COMPETITIVE WAGE ACT OF 2014, AND REINSTATE THE PRIOR PAY PLAN RATE FOR THESE POSITIONS, AND MANDATE A REASSESSMENT OF HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS SALARY RANGES SO AS TO BE COMPETITIVE BASED UPON NATIONAL STANDARDS.

BIII No. 27-33 (COR), introduced by F.B. Aguon, Jr.: AN ACT RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING THAT PUBLIC EMPLOYEES WITH SUPERIOR RATINGS IN FISCAL YEAR 2002 WERE NOT COMPENSATED FOR MERITORIOUS PERFORMANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN §6203, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION OF THE MERIT BONUS PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002; AND PROVIDING FOR SUCH PAYMENTS.

Bill No. 46-33 (COR), introduced by D.G. Rodriguez, Jr.: AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 6235 TO ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 6, 4 GCA, RELATIVE TO PROVIDING A PAY INCENTIVE TO GOVERNMENT OF GUAM LINE AGENCY'S, THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY, AND THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE OBTAINED CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, CERTIFIED FRAUD EXAMINER, AND CERTIFIED INTERNAL AUDITOR CERTIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO RECOGNIZED NATIONAL STANDARDS TO PRESERVE THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM'S ABILITY TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN SUCH PROFESSIONALS.

Nomination of ANTHONY C. BLAZ

Position: Director, Department of Administration

Nomination of BEN ANTHONY B. REYES

Position: Member, Cockpit License Board

Nomination of KATHRINE B. KAKIGI

Position: Classified Government of Guam Employee Member, Banking and Insurance Board

If written testimonies are to be presented for the items listed above, copies should be delivered prior to the hearing date. Testimonies should be addressed to Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas and will be accepted via hand delivery to our office at the DNA Building, Suite 407, 238 Archbishop Flores Street, Hagatna, Guam; at the mail room at the Main Legislature Building at 155 Hesler Place, Hagatna, Guam 96910; or via email to senatorsannicolas@gmail.com. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals requiring special accommodations or services should contact the Office of Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas at (671) 472-6453 or by sending an email tosenatorsannicolas@gmail.com.

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<u>AGENDA</u>

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IV. Closing Remarks

V. Adjournment