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Bill Log Sheet

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES
306-32 (COR)	FRANK B. AGUON, JR	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GUAM VETERANS REGISTRY AS MANDATED IN PUBLIC LAW 32-101.	4/7/14 11:34 a.m	04/07/14	Committee on Appropriations, Public Debt, Legal Affairs, Retirement, Public Parks, Recreation, Historic Preservation, and Land			Fiscal Note Request 04/08/15 Fiscal Note Received 5/13/14



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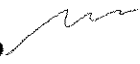
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May 13, 2014

Memorandum

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio** 
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Fiscal Notes**

Hafa Adai!

Attached please find the fiscal notes for the bill numbers listed below.
Please note that the fiscal notes are issued on the bills as introduced.

FISCAL NOTES:

Bill No. 306-32(COR)

Bill No. 317-32(LS)

Please forward the same to MIS for posting on our website. Please contact our office should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Si Yu'os ma'åse'!

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Hafa Adai Senator Respicio:

Transmitted herewith is Fiscal Note on the following Bill Nos.: 306-32(COR) and 317-32(LS).

If you have any question(s), please do not hesitate to call the office at 475-9412/9106.


JOHN A. RIOS
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Enclosures
cc: Senator Vicente (ben) Pangelinan

**Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Fiscal Note for Bill No. 306-32 (COR)**

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GUAM VETERANS REGISTRY AS MANDATED IN PUBLIC LAW 32-101.

Department/Agency Appropriation Information

Dept./Agency Affected: Office of Veterans Affairs	Dept./Agency Head: John Unpingco
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	\$ 619,379
Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date:	-
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	\$ 619,379

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation

	General Fund:	(Specify Special Fund):	Total:
FY 2013 Unreserved Fund Balance			
FY 2014 Adopted Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2014 Appr. (P.L. 32-068)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sub-total:	\$0	\$0	\$0
Less appropriation in Bill	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total:	\$0	\$0	\$0

Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill

	One Full Fiscal Year	For Remainder of FY 2014 (if applicable)	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
(Specify Special Fund)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

- Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions? // Yes /x/ No
If Yes, see attachment
- Is amount appropriated adequate to fund the intent of the appropriation? /x/ N/A // Yes // No
If no, what is the additional amount required? \$ _____ /x/ N/A
- Does the Bill establish a new program/agency? // Yes /x/ No
If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies? // N/A // Yes /x/ No
Is there a federal mandate to establish the program/agency? // Yes /x/ No
- Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities? // Yes /x/ No
- Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept/agency? If no, indicate reason: /x/ Yes // No
/x/ Requested agency comments not received by due date // Other: _____

Analyst: Matt Quinata Director: John A. Rios, BBMR Director Date: MAY 13 2014

Footnotes:

See attachment to fiscal note.

**Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Attachment to Fiscal Note No. 306-32 (COR)**

Comments

The proposed bill is seeking to appropriate an additional \$50,000 to the Office of Veterans Affairs to fund two (2) positions and for supplies and other requirements to implement the Guam Veterans Registry. The proposed appropriation is being funded by the General Fund. However, the proposed appropriation of \$50,000 may be insufficient when considering all fringe benefits associated with the employment of the two (2) positions.



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April 8, 2014

VIA E-MAIL

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RE: Request for Fiscal Notes– Bill Nos. 305-32 (COR) through 308-32(COR)

Hafa Adai Mr. Rios:

Transmitted herewith is a listing of *I Mina'trentai Dos 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
Chairperson of the Committee on Rules

Attachment (1)

Cc: Clerk of the Legislature

Bill Nos.	Sponsors	Title
305-32 (COR)	Brant T. McCreadie	AN ACT TO AMEND § 58108 AND TO ADD A NEW § 58108.1 TO CHAPTER 58, TITLE 10 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE DUTIES OF THE GUAM FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE GUAM WATERWORKS AUTHORITY WITH RESPECT TO FIRE HYDRANTS.
306-32 (COR)	FRANK B. AGUON, JR	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GUAM VETERANS REGISTRY AS MANDATED IN PUBLIC LAW 32-101.
307-32 (COR)	FRANK B. AGUON, JR	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 5102(d) OF TITLE 7 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE POWER OF THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL TO ADOPT PAY SCHEDULES AND PLANS AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR SALARY AND BENEFIT INCREASES FOR NON-LAW ENFORCEMENT EMPLOYEES OF THE JUDICIARY.
308-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN EX-OFFICIO REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GMH VOLUNTEERS ASSOCIATION A MEMBER POSITION ON THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, BY AMENDING SUBSECTION (a) OF §80105, CHAPTER 80, DIVISION 4, 10 GCA.



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April 7, 2014

MEMORANDUM

To: Rennae Meno
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: Senator Rory J. Respicio 
Chairperson of the Committee on Rules

Subject: Referral of Bill No. 306-32(COR)

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 306-32(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 Dos 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 DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2014 (SECOND) REGULAR SESSION**

Bill No. 306-92 (COR)

Introduced by:

FRANK B. AGUON, JR. 

**AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE OFFICE
OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GUAM VETERANS
REGISTRY AS MANDATED IN PUBLIC LAW 32-101.**

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.

I Liheslaturan Guahan finds that Public Law 32-101 recognizes the Office of Veterans Affairs as the official local agency for establishing and maintaining the Guam Veterans Registry(Registry); which *shall be* updated no less than semiannually. The information obtained from the registry will help to strengthen our application as we work to secure future funding from the federal government for our island veterans. Additionally, the registry would be used to provide current information on health care, on home-based care, the very best programs, benefits and services possible.

Our veterans are approaching us with more specific needs than the past: increasing personnel, ensuring access to resources by building on existing programs, establishing and maintaining a Guam Veterans Registry is the right thing to do to provide the highest level of care. Additionally, in order to continue providing claim forms preparation as a free service to our local veterans through the Veterans Affairs Office, representatives are required to be an accredited claims

1 agent. Accreditation means the authority granted by VA to representatives, agents,
2 and attorneys to assist claimants in the preparation, presentation, and prosecution
3 of claims for VA benefits. 38 C.F.R. § 14.627(a). Without accreditation, an
4 individual may not independently assist claimants in the preparation, presentation,
5 and prosecution of claims for VA benefits. *I Liheslatura* clearly understands this
6 and has appropriated within FY 2014 Budget \$619,000 to the Office of Veterans
7 Affairs, a significant increase from the FY 2013 Budget of \$322,000.

8 *I Liheslaturan Guahan* further finds that based on *I Maga'lahi Guåhan's*
9 transmittal letter to the Honorable Speaker on December 16, 2013, regarding the
10 need for sufficient appropriations to comply with Public Law 32-101; *I Maga'lahi*
11 *Guåhan* requested of the *I Liheslatura* to follow-up by providing the Office of
12 Veterans Affairs with the means necessary to carry out the obligations imposed
13 upon it by this new law.

14 *I Liheslatura* further finds that the total estimated windfall of new
15 withholding taxes for retroactive and prospective law enforcement salary
16 adjustments is Three Million Nine Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$3,940,000).
17 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslatura* to provide additional funding to the
18 Office of Veterans Affairs from the estimated windfall of new withholding taxes
19 from retroactive and prospective law enforcement salary adjustment revenues for
20 the purpose stated herein.

21 **Section 2. Implementation of the Guam Veterans Registry.**

22 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the sum of Fifty Thousand
23 Dollars (\$50,000) is appropriated from the General Fund to the Office of Veterans
24 Affairs for the implementation of the Guam Veterans Registry as mandated in
25 Public Law 32-101; and *shall* include but not limited to the following:

- 26 1) To hire Two (2) additional personnel under the following position title
27 and salaries in accordance with Department of Administration:

- 1 (A) Clerk I
2 (B) Clerk Typist I; and
3 2) To purchase materials, supplies and office equipment to implement
4 and sustain the Guam Veterans Registry; and
5 3) Implementation within Ninety (90) days of enactment.

6 Said funds *shall not* be subject to any transfer authority of *I Maga 'lahen Guahan*.
7 Said funds *shall* continue to be available until fully expended for the purpose stated
8 herein.

9 **Section 3. Severability.** If any provisions of this Act or the application
10 thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not
11 affect any other provision or application of this Act which can be given effect
12 without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
13 Act are severable.