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June 15, 2016

Memorandum

To: Rennae Meno
Clerk of the Legislature

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

Subject: Fiscal Note

Hafa Adai!

Attached please find the fiscal note for the bill number listed below.
Please note that the fiscal note is issued on the bill as introduced.

FISCAL NOTE:
Bill No. 291-33(COR)

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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**Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Fiscal Note of Bill No. 291-33 (COR)**

AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 39A, TO ARTICLE 3, TITLE 7, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CUSTODY AND VISITATION OF DEPLOYED MILITARY PARENTS.

Department/Agency Appropriation Information	
Dept./Agency Affected: Unified Judiciary of Guam	Dept./Agency Head: Robert J. Torres, Chief Justice
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	33,043,444
Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date: Safe Streets Fund	145,468
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	333,188,912

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation			
	General Fund:	(Specify Special Fund):	Total:
FY 2015 Unreserved Fund Balance		\$0	\$0
FY 2016 Adopted Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2016 Appro. (P.L. 33-66 thru _____)	\$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 2016 (if applicable)	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
General Fund	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Judicial Building Fund	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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| 1. Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions?
If Yes, see attachment | | / / Yes | /x/ No |
| 2. Is amount appropriated adequate to fund the intent of the appropriation?
If no, what is the additional amount required? \$ _____ | /x/ N/A | / / Yes | / / No |
| 3. Does the Bill establish a new program/agency?
If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies?
Is there a federal mandate to establish the program/agency? | /x/ N/A | / / Yes
/ / Yes
/ / Yes | /x/ No
/ / No
/x/ No |
| 4. Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities? | | / / Yes | /x/ No |
| 5. Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept/agency? If no, indicate reason:
/ / Requested agency comments not received by due date | | /x/ Yes | / / No |
| | | / / Other: | |

Analyst: <u>Dina P. Rivera</u> Dina P. Rivera	Date: <u>6-14-16</u>	Director: <u>J. S. Calvo</u> Jose S. Calvo, Director	Date: <u>6-14-16</u>
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Footnotes:
1/ Based on information from the Judiciary of Guam, since there is already a "Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act" in existence, it does not have any concerns regarding the proposal on the "Uniform Deployed Parents Custody and Visitation Act (UDPCVA) which would address the wide variability in the ways that states handle child custody and visitation issues that arise when service members are deployed. Any associated operational costs to carry out the intent of the UDPCVA would be absorbed by the Judiciary. See attachment on projected multi-year revenues anticipated for custody actions based on filing fees, issuance of summons, motion fees etc.

Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Attachment to Fiscal Note No. 291-33 (COR)
(for revenue generating provisions)

Projected Multi-Year Revenues					
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Judicial Building Fund	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,870
Total	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,870

Comments:

Per information provided by the Judiciary of Guam, in 2015 there were 657 Domestic cases filed. Of that number, 56 were Custody cases. The filing fee for every complaint filed is \$300.00 and \$14.00 for the issuance of a summon. Other filing fees may include motion fees at \$20.00 per motion or total possible fees of \$334. Therefore, assuming the same amount of custody cases and if 10% are related to custody and visitation by deployed military parents, an estimated \$1,870 ($\$334 \times 56 \text{ cases} \times 10\%$) in revenues could be generated by the Judiciary of Guam annually.