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Dear Speaker Won Pat:

Transmitted herewith is Substitute Bill 416-30 (COR) "AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTIONS (a) AND (b) OF §12203 OF PART 1, ARTICLE 2; AND SUBSECTIONS (a) AND (b) OF §12803 OF PART 1, ARTICLE 8 OF CHAPTER 12 OF TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS, AND THE GUAM BOARD OF ALLIED HEALTH EXAMINERS," which I signed into law on August 28, 2010 as Public Law 30-195.

Sinseru yan Magåhet,

FELIX P. CAMACHO

I Maga'låhen Guahan Governor of Guahan

Attachment: copy of Bill

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

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

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 416-30 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTIONS (a) AND (b) OF §12203 OF PART 1, ARTICLE 2; AND SUBSECTIONS (a) AND (b) OF §12803 OF PART 1, ARTICLE 8 OF CHAPTER 12 OF TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS, AND THE GUAM BOARD OF ALLIED HEALTH EXAMINERS", was on the 16th day of August, 2010, duly and regularly passed.

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_	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed. D.
	Speaker
Attested: Tina Rose Muña Barnes Legislative Secretary	
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I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN 2010 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 416-30 (COR)

As substituted by the Committee on Economic Development, Health & Human Services, and Judiciary, and amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTIONS (a) AND (b) OF §12203 OF PART 1, ARTICLE 2; AND SUBSECTIONS (a) AND (b) OF §12803 OF PART 1, ARTICLE 8 OF **CHAPTER** 12 **OF** TITLE 10, **GUAM** CODE RELATIVE TO **PROVISIONS** ANNOTATED, TO **BOARD** APPLICABLE THE **OF** MEDICAL EXAMINERS, AND THE GUAM BOARD OF ALLIED HEALTH EXAMINERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent: The conduct, provision and quality of health care services rank among the highest concerns of the people of Guam. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds it appropriate that the people of Guam have the opportunity to review and comment upon the appointment of the health care professionals responsible for the development and implementation of health care policy. It is critical, as well, that other health care professionals be duly accorded the opportunity to review and comment upon appointment of those so tasked to oversee the conduct of their respective health care fields.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that with regard to the Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners, there is a need to address, as well, the issue of reasonable term limits for those responsible for promoting and regulating allied health care services. Term limits will ensure a continuing public review and approval process by which the people of Guam may participate in assessing the selection of a new member, and/or the evaluation of the performance of a member being reappointed.

It is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to require that any nomination for appointment to the Board of Medical Examiners *or* the Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners be subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, and ensuring thereby, the public's opportunity to assess and comment upon the desirability of appointees, as well as the conduct and performance of the Board collectively. Further, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, with respect to the Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners, to mandate reasonable term limits for members serving on the Board. A two (2) year term, with an opportunity for reappointment or replacement, helps to ensure the continuing desirability of Board members.

Section 2. Subsections (a) and (b) of §12203 of Article 2 - *Physicians Practice Act*, of Part 1, Chapter 12 of Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, are amended to read:

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- "(a) There is established, in and for the government of Guam, a Guam Board of Medical Examiners (BOARD) composed of seven (7) members who *shall* be nominated and appointed by *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*, with the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*.
- At least six (6) of the seven (7) members shall be physicians (b) licensed in Guam, shall be persons of recognized professional ability and integrity, and shall have practiced in Guam for at least five (5) consecutive years immediately preceding the appointment. All members shall be citizens or permanent residents of the United States who have resided in Guam for at least five (5) consecutive years immediately preceding the appointment. One (1) of the physician board members shall be the Medical Director of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA) who meets the above criteria; otherwise, I Maga'lahen Guåhan shall nominate and appoint a qualified physician from the GMHA staff. Provided that of the initial members appointed under this Article, appointments shall be made so that three (3) members of the Board, sitting or newly appointed, shall serve for two (2) years, and four (4) members, sitting or newly appointed shall serve for a term of four (4) years, until a successor is appointed and qualified. No member shall serve more than three (3) consecutive terms.

The members of the Board sitting as of the date of enactment of this Article who meet the requirements and limitations placed upon membership by this Article *shall* remain in office until the expiration of their respective terms. When a vacancy occurs, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan shall* nominate and appoint a new member within sixty (60) days of the commencement of the

vacancy, which *shall* be subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan* Guåhan.

Members of the Board *shall* receive a stipend and be compensated in the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for attending a Board meeting, *not to exceed* One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per month."

Section 3. Subsections (a) and (b) of §12803 of Article 8 – *Allied Health Practice Act*, of Part 1, Chapter 12 of Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, are amended, to read:

"(a) Creation. There is established, in and for the government of Guam, a Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners, composed of a representative from each of the professions being examined for licensure of which currently there are nine (9) members nominated and appointed by *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*, with the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. *I Maga'lahen Guåhan shall* appoint two (2) additional members, one (1) member for the Respiratory Therapist, and one (1) member for the Nutritionist/Clinical Dietician, and *shall* appoint additional members for any other allied health profession being examined for licensure that the Board includes in its licensing procedure, and specifically recommend to *I Maga'lahen Guåhan* to appoint a board member representative. The Board *shall* examine applicants for licensure within the allied health professions *not* having separate Board of Examiners enacted by *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

The term of appointment *shall* be for a period of three (3) years, at the end of which *I Maga'lahen Guåhan shall* either reappoint the member or nominate and appoint a new member, either of which case *shall* be with the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

(b) Requirement. The members of the Board *shall* have practiced in their respective disciplines for *at least* five (5) consecutive years

permanent residents of the United States who have resided in Guam for *at least* five (5) consecutive years immediately preceding the appointment. The members of the Board sitting as of the date of enactment of this Act who meet the requirements and limitations placed upon membership by this Act *shall* remain in office until the expiration of their respective terms. When a vacancy occurs, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan shall* appoint a new member within sixty (60) days of the commencement of the vacancy, with the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Members of the Board *shall* receive a stipend and be compensated in the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for attending a Board meeting, *not to exceed* One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per month."

Section 4. All other Subsections and Parts of §12203 of Article 2, Part 1, Chapter 12, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, and, §12803 of Article 8, Part 1, Chapter 12, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, respectively, are *not* affected by this Act, and *shall* continue in full force and effect until otherwise provided by law.

Section 5. Effective Date. The provisions contained in this Act *shall* take effect *no later than* January 2, 2011; whereupon *I Maga'lahen Guåhan shall* have the option of reappointing incumbent Board members, or appointing new Board members, who *shall* serve in accordance with the provisions contained herein.