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The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.  
Speaker  
Mina' Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan  
155 Hessler Street  
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

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Office of the Governor  
12/25/2010  
4:07 pm

Dear Speaker Won Pat:

Transmitted herewith is Substitute Bill No. 372-30 (COR) "AN ACT TO AMEND §13201(b) OF ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 13, TITLE 19 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE REPORTING OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT BY CLERGY PERSONNEL OF CHURCHES, OR OTHER RELIGIONS ORGANIZATIONS", which was enacted into law without the Governor's signature. The legislation is now designated as Public Law No. 30-218.

Sinseru yan Magåhet,

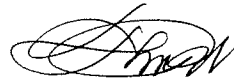
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I Maga'låhen Guahan  
Governor of Guahan

Attachment: copy of Bill

**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. 372-30 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND §13201(b) OF ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 13, TITLE 19 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE REPORTING OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT BY CLERGY PERSONNEL OF CHURCHES, OR OTHER RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS,"** returned without approval of *I Maga'lahren Guåhan*, was reconsidered by *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and after such consideration, did agree, on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2010, to pass said bill notwithstanding the veto of *I Maga'lahren Guåhan* by a vote of Ten (10) Members.



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**Judith T. Won Pat, Ed. D.**  
**Speaker**

Attested:

  
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**Tina Rose Muña Barnes**  
**Legislative Secretary**

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This Act was received by *I Maga'lahren Guåhan* this 23 day of Dec., 2010, at 11:35 o'clock P.M.

  
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**Assistant Staff Officer**  
**Maga'lahi's Office**

Public Law No. 30-218

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

**Bill No. 372-30 (COR)**

As substituted on the Floor and amended.

Introduced by:

B. J.F. Cruz  
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**AN ACT TO *AMEND* §13201(b) OF ARTICLE 2,  
CHAPTER 13, TITLE 19 OF THE GUAM CODE  
ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE REPORTING OF  
SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT BY  
CLERGY PERSONNEL OF CHURCHES, OR OTHER  
RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.**

1       **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUÅHAN:**

2       **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds  
3 that recent allegations of clergy sexual abuse within the Catholic Church has  
4 compelled the Vatican to issue an edict within the Congregation for the Doctrine

1 concerning Sexual Abuse Allegations that states, “Civil law concerning reporting  
2 of crimes to the appropriate authorities should always be followed.” This  
3 statement clarifies the Church’s intent to comply with civil reporting laws.  
4 Therefore, *I Liheslatura* finds that a statutory amendment is necessary to help law  
5 enforcement officials and Guam’s children.

6 **Section 2.** §13201(b) of Article 2, Chapter 13 of Title 19, Guam Code  
7 Annotated, is hereby *amended* to read:

8 “(b) Persons required to report suspected child abuse under  
9 Subsection (a) include, *but are not limited to*, any licensed physician,  
10 medical examiner, dentist, osteopath, optometrist, chiropractor, podiatrist,  
11 intern, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, hospital personnel engaged  
12 in the admission, examination, care or treatment of persons, Christian  
13 Science practitioner, clergy member of any religious faith, or other similar  
14 functionary or employee of any church, place of worship, or other religious  
15 organization whose primary duties consist of teaching, spreading the faith,  
16 church governance, supervision of a religious order, or supervision or  
17 participation in religious ritual and worship, school administrator, school  
18 teacher, school nurse, school counselor, social services worker, day care  
19 center worker, or any other child care or foster care worker, mental health  
20 professional, peace officer or law enforcement official.”