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Dear Madame Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 140-32 (COR) "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 2 (c), SECTION 3, AND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW 25-55, RELATIVE TO 911 SURCHARGES" which I signed into law on November 27, 2013 as Public Law 32-096.

Senseramente,

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I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that Bill No. 140-32 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 2 (c), SECTION 3, AND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW 25-55, RELATIVE TO 911 SURCHARGES", was on the 12th day of November 2013, duly and regularly passed.

Attested: Tina Rose Muña Barnes Legislative Secretary	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker
This Act was received by <i>I Maga'lahen Guå</i> . 2013, at \(\lambda \tau \tau \rangle \tau \tau \rangle \tau \r	than this 15^{+} day of Nov .
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Bill No. 140-32 (COR)

As amended on the Floor.

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AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 2 (c), SECTION 3, AND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW 25-55, RELATIVE TO 911 SURCHARGES.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- Section 1. Section 2(c) of Public Law 25-55 is amended to read as follows:
- "(c) The 911 Surcharge *shall* be established by the Commission at a rate *not to exceed* One Dollar (\$1.00) per month per subscriber line telephone service, and at a rate *not to exceed* One Dollar (\$1.00) per month per line number for commercial mobile radio service."
 - **Section 2.** Section 3 of Public Law 25-55 is *amended* to read as follows:

"Section 3. Collection of "911 Surcharge."

- (a) Each Local Exchange Carrier (LEC), Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) provider and Commercial Mobile Radio Service (CMRS) provider *shall* collect the surcharge as established by the Commission, and identify such as a separate line item on its invoice.
- (b) Each LEC, VOIP or CMRS provider *shall* remit the amounts collected to the Department of Administration *no later* than forty-five (45) days *after* the end of the month in which the amount is collected.
- (c) Each LEC, VOIP or CMRS provider *shall* be authorized to deduct from such remittances its actual expenses incurred for collection services, maintaining the PSAP database, and for reports and audits as *may* be required by the Commission; *provided*, such deductions are consistent with a Commission-approved budget for such expenses.
- (d) The surcharges collected pursuant to this Section are *not* subject to any tax, fee or assessment, *nor* are they considered revenue of the LEC, VOIP or CMRS provider
- (e) Each LEC, VOIP or CMRS provider is authorized to deduct from its "911" receipts, amounts necessary to cover the Commission's expenses in conducting the regulatory activities required in this Act, to be billed by the Commission on a *pro-rata* basis.
- (f) For purposes of this Act, a *CMRS provider* means a provider of wireless cellular, telephone service, or wireless personal communications service.

(g) Subscriber lines are the lines that Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (I-LEC) use to connect to, and that Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (C-LEC) and Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) carriers use to interconnect to, the local (Guam) telephone exchange.

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(h) For purposes of this Act, a *VOIP provider* means a provider of telephone service over the internet, and within the 671 area code."

Section 3. Section 4 of Public Law 25-55 is amended to read as follows:

"Section 4. Creation of Special Fund. There is hereby created, separate and apart from all other funds of the government, the Enhanced 911 Emergency Reporting System Fund (Fund) to be administered by the Department of Administration. The Fund is created to provide a source of funding for costs associated with an Enhanced 911 Emergency Reporting System. All the 911 surcharges collected by each LEC, VOIP and CMRS provider shall be deposited in the Fund. The money collected and the interest earned shall be used by the Department solely for enhanced 911 equipment and system costs as described in this Act; and for the operations of the 911 call/dispatch center, the purchase/lease/maintenance of E911 hardware/software; and system/engineering services related to the installation, maintenance and upgrade of E911 hardware/software. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no monies in the Fund shall be expended without appropriation by I Liheslatura. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no monies in the Fund shall be expended for purposes other than provided for in this Section, without the expressed approval of *I Liheslatura*. The Fund is *exempt* from any transfer authority."

- Section 4. The Compiler of Laws shall codify the provisions of Public
- 62 Law 25-55, inclusive of the amendments made by Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this Act.