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Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D Speaker I Mina'trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan 155 Hesler Street Hagåtña, Guam 96910

RE: Bill No.69-32

Dear Madame Speaker:

32-13-488 Office of the Speaker

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Time 127P

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 69-32 (COR), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §5351 TO ARTICLE 6 OF CHAPTER 5 OF TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE DURATION OF COMMERCIAL LEASES FOR PUBLIC REAL PROPERTY AND RELATED FACILITIES" which was enacted into law without the signature of I Maga'lahen Guåhan as Public Law 32-040.

Senseramente,

BAY JENORIO

Acting Governor of Guam

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Attachment: Copy of Bill

## 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 Substitute Bill No. 69-32 (COR), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §5351 TO ARTICLE 6 OF CHAPTER 5 OF TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE DURATION OF COMMERCIAL LEASES FOR PUBLIC REAL PROPERTY AND RELATED FACILITIES", was on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, duly and regularly passed.

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker Attested Tina Rose Muña Barnes **Legislative Secretary** This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guåhan this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2013, at 12:40 o'clock \( \textit{P} \).M. Assistant Staff Officer Maga'lahi's Office APPROVED: EDWARD J.B. CALVO I Maga'lahen Guåhan JUN 1 1 2013 

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

#### Bill No. 69-32 (COR)

As substituted by the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs; and amended on the Floor.

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AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §5351 TO ARTICLE 6 OF CHAPTER 5 OF TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE DURATION OF COMMERCIAL LEASES FOR PUBLIC REAL PROPERTY AND RELATED FACILITIES.

#### 1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan
- 3 Guåhan finds that there is no uniform standard relative to the duration of

commercial leases, permits or licenses for the use of government of Guam real property and other related facilities.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds that five years is a reasonable term limit for agencies to enter into commercial leasing, permitting or licensing for the use of government of Guam real property and other related facilities, but also recognizes that terms beyond five years may be warranted to allow time for the lessee, permittee, or licensee to make investments that may be needed to ensure the viability and success of a business plan, and to allow sufficient time to amortize these investments.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that public properties and facilities are assets owned by the people of Guam. It is important, therefore, that a standard for leasing government of Guam real property that will improve transparency and clarity in the leasing of public property, and to ensure that "exceptional term contracts" with terms greater than five years be required to be scrutinized by I Liheslaturan Guåhan.

**Section 2.** A new §5351 is hereby *added* to Article 6 of Chapter 5 of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, to read:

# "§ 5351. Commercial Leasing of Public Real Property and Related Facilities.

(a) **Public Real Property and Related Facilities.** From the effective date of this law, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, no commercial contract, lease, permit or license for use of public real property, and related facilities, shall be solicited, negotiated, entered into, or made for a term in excess of five years. This *shall* include any extensions, options and renewals. Any contract, lease, permit or license made, renewed or extended in violation of this law *shall* become void

upon the 5th anniversary of the making of such contract, lease, permit or license. This limitation *shall not* apply to residential and agricultural leases to beneficiaries under the *Chamorro* Land Trust.

- **Exceptional Term Contracts.** The Chief Procurement (b) Officer, the Director of Public Works, or the head of a purchasing agency, as authority may exist therefore, may solicit a contract for a term longer than otherwise allowed by this Section (an "Exceptional Term Contract"). Prior to soliciting any Exceptional Term Contract, I Maga'lahi (the Governor) or, in the case of an autonomous agency, the Board of Directors, shall make a written Determination of Need justifying by a quantifiable sum an Exceptional Term Contract, and specifying the full term, inclusive of extensions, options and renewals, for such contract, and provide a copy of such Determination of Need to the Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. No Exceptional Term Contract shall be solicited unless a Determination of Need is obtained from I Maga'lahi (the Governor) or, in the case of an autonomous agency, the Board of Directors.
- (c) Prior to transmitting a Determination of Need to the Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, a notice of solicitation *shall* be published as provided in § 5211(c) of Part B of Article 3 of this Chapter, such notice to conspicuously note the solicitation is for an Exceptional Term Contract, and specifying the term thereof, as well as the date of the proper Determination of Need. Any Exceptional Term Contract made in violation of this Subsection *shall* be void.

Contracts. Subsequent to satisfying the requirements of § 5351, the commercial contract, lease, permit or license for use of public real property and related facilities *shall* be transmitted to the Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* for approval or disapproval, in whole. If *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* takes no action within 60 calendar days from the date of filing with the Speaker, the commercial contract, lease, permit or license *shall* be deemed approved by *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. A public hearing *shall* be conducted by *I Liheslatura* (the Legislature) during the 60-day review period. Legislative approval *shall* be by enactment into law. Legislative disapproval *shall* be by Resolution."

**Section 3. Severability.** If any provision of this Act, or the application of any part of this Act to any person or circumstance, is held to be invalid as contrary to law, or unenforceable, such holding shall not affect any other provision hereof, nor any other application of this Act which can be given effect to any other person or in any other circumstance, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable and the remainder shall be construed in such manner as to avoid invalidity or unenforceability.

**Section 4.** Effective Date. This Act *shall* become effective upon enactment, and *shall not* affect transactions that are currently in discussion pursuant to the issuance of an officially published Invitation-For-Bid (IFB) or Request-For-Proposal (RFP).