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MAY 23 2014

Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D
Speaker
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Dear Madame Speaker:

Attached is Bill No. 279-32 (LS), entitled, "**AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A GUAM ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY-CONDUCTED SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT STUDY AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A ONE-YEAR PILOT PROJECT DEMONSTRATING THE ABILITY OF GUAM TO DEVELOP A BENEFICIAL USE FOR DISCARDED GLASS BOTTLES...**" which I have vetoed.

The reason for this veto is that Title 10 G.C.A., Article 3 governing the Recycling Revolving Fund already empowers the administrator of Guam EPA to encourage and create a plan for the recycling of glass bottles, among other waste products. [See, 10 G.C.A. Section 51301(k)(6) and Section 51304]. Additionally, Governor Eddie Baza Calvo recently ordered the release of \$2.9 million (\$400,000 plus an additional \$2.5 million) so that Guam EPA and the Mayors Council of Guam can collaborate on creating a plan and purchasing equipment for the disposal of all types of waste, including glass bottles.

Senseramente,

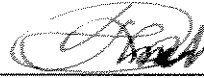

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I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that **Bill No. 279-32 (LS)**, "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A GUAM ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY-CONDUCTED SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT STUDY AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A ONE-YEAR PILOT PROJECT DEMONSTRATING THE ABILITY OF GUAM TO DEVELOP A BENEFICIAL USE FOR DISCARDED GLASS BOTTLES THAT WOULD, AMONG OTHER THINGS, DIVERT GLASS FROM THE *LAYON* MUNICIPAL SANITARY LANDFILL, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," was on the 9th day of May, 2014, duly and regularly passed.



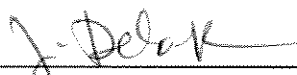
Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker

Attested:



Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'lahen Guåhan* this 12th day of May, 2014, at 2:43 o'clock P.M.



Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'lahi's Office

~~APPROVED:~~

VETO

RAYMOND S. TENORIO
Acting Governor of Guam

Date: MAY 22 2014

Public Law No. _____

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 279-32 (LS)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A GUAM ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY-CONDUCTED SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS MANAGEMENT STUDY AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A ONE-YEAR PILOT PROJECT DEMONSTRATING THE ABILITY OF GUAM TO DEVELOP A BENEFICIAL USE FOR DISCARDED GLASS BOTTLES THAT WOULD, AMONG OTHER THINGS, DIVERT GLASS FROM THE LAYON MUNICIPAL SANITARY LANDFILL, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*

3 recognizes and acknowledges the clear connection between waste reduction,

1 recycling, resource recovery, and beneficial reuse issues, and the need to change
2 unsustainable consumption and production patterns while protecting and managing
3 the natural resource base of economic and social development. *I Liheslaturan*
4 *Guåhan* finds that based on recent estimates, the expected life of the present
5 landfill will be 35 to 40 years. The life span of the landfill can be extended only
6 with effective implementation of waste reduction, recycling, resource recovery and
7 beneficial reuse programs. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that Guam's
8 limited and valuable land resources and fragile environment must be preserved and
9 protected. The protection of the environment, both terrestrial and aquatic, the
10 stimulation of the economy, and the distribution of equity can be achieved by
11 promoting waste reduction, recycling, reuse, resource recovery, and beneficial use
12 through Zero Waste practices in the public and private sectors. *I Liheslaturan*
13 *Guåhan* finds that it has embraced Zero Waste as a public policy through the
14 adoption of Legislative Resolution No. 189-32 (COR).

15 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that the Guam Solid Waste
16 Management Authority has successfully developed and implemented an island-
17 wide system that is engaged in capturing recyclable products that have been
18 discarded, to include paper, cardboard, and aluminum cans. Despite the broad array
19 of options involved in the recycling of glass products, glass is not yet being
20 recycled on Guam due to, among other factors, the lack of economies of scale. It is
21 estimated that Guam will dispose of approximately one hundred twenty thousand
22 (120,000) pounds of glass bottles each year at the *Layon* Municipal Sanitary
23 Landfill. Therefore, an effort should be made to foster the recycling and beneficial
24 reuse of glass, and a feasibility study and an operational based pilot project toward
25 that end is warranted and necessary.

26 **Section 2.** The Guam Environmental Protection Agency *shall* develop and
27 implement a one-year pilot project that includes, at a minimum, a sustainable

1 materials management study and the implementation of an operational based pilot
2 project that demonstrates the ability of Guam to develop a beneficial use for
3 discarded glass bottles and other glass products.

4 **Section 3. Appropriation.** The sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand
5 Dollars (\$250,000) is hereby appropriated from the Recycling Revolving Fund to
6 procure equipment and services in support of the pilot project mandated under
7 Section 2 of this Act. This appropriation will continue to be available until
8 expended, and is *not* subject to inter-fund borrowing or *I Maga'lahi's* (the
9 Governor's) transfer authority.

10 **Section 4. Effective Date.** The provisions in this Act *shall* become
11 effective upon enactment into law.