# ELEVENTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1972 (SECOND) Regular Session

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### CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 723, "An Act to repeal and reenact Section 4233 of the Government Code of Guam relative to retirement benefits for members of the Legislature", was on the 22nd day of November, 1972, duly and regularly passed.

F. T. RAMIREZ Speaker

ATTESTED:

A. C. SANCHEZ, Acting Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this 30th day of Annuh, 1972 at 3:40 o'clock p. M.

VINCENT T. PEREZ Attorney General of Guam

APPROVED:

CARLOS G. CAMACHO Governor of Guam

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#### ELEVENTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1971 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 723 Substitute Bill by Committee on General Governmental Operations

# Introduced by J. A. Perez

AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT SECTION 4233 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE OF GUAM RELATIVE TO RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM:

Section 1. Section 4233 of the Government Code of Guam is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

"Section 4233. Members of the Legislature. The provisions of this Chapter shall apply to any person who has served as a member of the Legislature or who shall hereafter serve as such a member and any such person shall be considered a member of the fund entitled to all the benefits of a member based upon the following additional provisions:

- (a) Definitions and rules of construction. For purposes of this Chapter, the following definitions and rules of construction shall apply to members of the Legislature:
  - (1) 'Legislature' means the Guam Legislature created by the Organic Act of Guam;
  - (2) Service as a member of the Legislature during a regular session for any one (1) calendar year shall be deemed a full year of service, regardless of the length of the session;
  - (3) 'Average annual salary' for any member of the Legislature shall mean the average annual release. salary received by a member for the three (3)

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1 highest consecutive years within the last ten (10) years of credited service or the average salary re-2 cived for the two (2) highest consecutive years of service as a member of the Legislature whichever is 5 higher; (b) Creditable service: membership credit: subsequent 6 credit. Any person claiming creditable service as a member 7 8 of the Legislature under the provisions of this Section 9 shall be entitled to receive credit for years of service 10 in the Legislature as follows: (1) Service credit for all services rendered 11 12 as a member of the Legislature, provided that such 13 person shall have made a contribution to the Fund 14 in accordance with Subparagraphs (c) (1), (c) (2), or 15 (c) (3) of this section; and 16 (2) Service credit for any year or years 17 following his service as a member of the Legislature 18 for which such person shall have made a contribution 19 to the Fund in accordance with Subparagraphs (d) (1), 20 (d) (2) or (d) (3) of this section, provided that 21 no persons shall make contributions or may receive 22 credit under this subparagraph for any year following 23 his tenure in the Legislature for which he qualifies 24 for credit for the same year under any other pro-25 vision of this Chapter. 26 (c) Contributions for service. Any person claiming 27 credit for service as a member of the Legislature shall 28 make contributions to the Fund in accordance with the 29 following: 30 (1) To receive credit for service rendered as 31 a member of the Legislature during the period from 32 1951 to 1966, such persons shall pay before January 33 I, 1977, as his contribution to the Fund an amount - 2 -

equal to One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) for each year of service as a member of the Legislature during that period.

- (2) To receive credit for service rendered as a member of the Legislature during the period from 1966 to 1973, such person shall pay before January 1, 1977, as his contribution to the Fund an amount equal to Six percent (6%) of his annual salary for each year of service as a member of the Legislature during that period.
- (3) To receive credit for service rendered as a member of the Legislature after January 8, 1973, such person shall pay as his contribution to the Fund an amount equal to six and one half percent (6 1/2%) of his annual salary to be deducted from the bi-weekly salary payments to him for each year of service as a member of the Legislature after January 8, 1973.
- (d) Contributions for subsequent credit. Any person claiming service credit for any year or years following his service as a member of the Legislature shall make contributions to the Fund in accordance with the following:
  - (1) For each year of such subsequent service credit claimed during the period from 1951 to 1966, such person shall pay before January 1, 1977, as his contribution to the Fund an amount equal to One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00).
  - (2) For each year of such subsequent service credit claimed during the period from 1966 to 1973, such person shall pay before January 1, 1977, as his contribution to the Fund an amount equal to Three Hundred and Sixty Dollars (\$360.00).

(3) For each year of such subsequent service credit claimed after January 8, 1973, such person shall pay quarterly as his contribution to the Fund an amount equal to one and five-eighths percent (1 5/8%) of the annual salary received by him during his last year of service as a member of the Legislature.

## (e) Application and notice.

- (1) The provisions of this section except as hereinafter provided in Subparagraph (f) shall be mandatory for any person who shall be a member of the Legislature on January 8, 1973 or who thereafter become such a member and the Board shall give notice of the application of this section to any such person within one (1) month of the date on which he takes an oath of office as a member of the Legislature.
- (2) The Board shall give notice of the provisions of this section to any person who has served as a member of the Legislature during the period of 1951 to 1973.
- (f) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section the provisions hereof shall not apply to any person who has served as a member of the Legislature or who shall hereafter serve as such a member, if such member has already begun to receive benefits under this Chapter."