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## TWELFTH CUAM LEGISLATURE 1973 (FIRST) Regular Session

## CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 209, "An Act to amend Section 25210.1 of the Government Code of Guam which limits general licenses issued under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act to one per thousand inhabitants of the municipality in which the licensed premises are situated", was on the 18th day of December, 1973, duly and regularly passed.

RAMIREZ Speaker

ATTESTED:

M. BAMBA

Legislative Secretary This Act was received by the Governor this 700 of AMULL, 1974 at 3:15 o'clock

75/ KEITH L. ANDREWS

KEITH L. ANDREWS Attorney General of Guam

APPROVED:

CARLOS G. САМАСНО Governor of Guam

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Bill No. 209 Substituted by the Committee on Judiciary

- Introduced by

F. R. Santos

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25210.1 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE OF GUAM WHICH LIMITS GENERAL LICENSES ISSUED UNDER THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL ACT TO ONE PER THOUSAND INHABITANTS OF THE MUNICI-PALITY IN WHICH THE LICENSED PREMISES ARE SITUATED.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM: Section 1. Section 25210.1 of the Government Code of Guam is hereby amended to real as follows:

"Section 25210.1. Same: same: number, cancellation, or issuance of licenses in excess of authorized ratio: application: hearing. The number of premises for which an on-sale general license or an off-sale general license is issued shall be limited to one (1) for each two hundred (200) or fraction thereof, inhabitants of the municipality in which the premises are situated, provided, however, that without regard to such population limitation, a nontransferable, on-sale, general license may be issued for any hotel of not less than twenty (20) rooms, or for any premises designed to provide restaurant facilities for the public in which the investment in buildings is not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00). No on-sale general license shall be issued in lieu of or upon the cancellation or surrender of an on-sale beer and wine license, except in case of an increase in population as provided hereafter.

For purposes of this Title, 'municipality' shall mean the geographical area over which a commissioner as defined

in Title XVI of the Government Code exercises jurisdiction while inhabitants shall exclude those residing on military contractors' reservations.

Nothing in this section shall authorize the cancellation of any license which may be outstanding in any municipality in excess of the number authorized by the ratio established in this section nor shall anything in this article require the issuance of any license in any municipality because the number of the licenses does not equal the authorized ration.

Whenever it is made to appear to the Board by satisfactory evidence that the population in any municipality has increased by more than two hundred (200) or multiples of two hundred (200) inhabitants since the latest census recognized by the government of Guam, and it appears to the Board that by reason thereof the inhabitants of the municipality are unjustly and unfairly discriminated against, and if the total number of licenses in such municipality does not exceed the maximum specified, the Board may issue not to exceed one on-sale general license and one off-sale general license for each additional two hundred (200) inhabitants in the municipality since the effective date, hereof, any person applying for an off-sale general license on the ground of increased population shall set forth in his application and shall affirmatively show all of the following:

(a) That he is a qualified applicant and that his premises qualify under the law and rules of the Board.

(b) That the issuance of the license applied for would serve the public convenience or necessity.

(c) That the issuance of the license applied for would not be contrary to the public welfare and morals.

(d) That inequality in the ratio of licenses exists between the municipality in which the applicant's premises are located, and other municipalities in the territory.

(e) That the population in the municipality for which the license is applied has increased to the extent and under the conditions mentioned in this section.

When an application is filed with the Board pursuant to the provision of the section regarding the increase in population, it shall be referred to the Administrator who shall cause a full investigation to be made of all matters stated in and relating to the application and report his findings to the Board with the recommendations. If a protest against the issuance of the license is filed with the Board, the hearing thereon shall be had and conducted accordingly, as provided in this Title."