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CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 886, "An Act making amendments to Public Law 12-150 and for other purposes", was on the 20th day of August, 1973, duly and regularly passed.

passed. T. RAMIREZ Speaker ATTESTED: Acting Legislative Secretary This Act was received by the Governor this good of Mugust, 1974 at 8:30 o'clock A .M. 134 Table KEITH L. ANDREWS Attorney General of Guam APPROVED: CARLOS G. CAMACHO Governor of Guam DATED:

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Bill No. 886 Substitute

Introduced by

Committee on Finance & Taxation.

AN ACT MAKING AMENDMENTS TO PUBLIC LAW 12-150 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, in May, 1974, the Governor of Guam and the Manager of the Commercial Port of Guam presented to the Guam Legislature a budget request so as to subsidize the operations of the Commercial Port of Guam, which request, among other things, set forth a plan for the elimination of approximately two hundred seventy-six (276) persons employed by the Commercial Port of Guam; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature, recognizing the hardship to be imposed upon the above-mentioned employees, enacted Section 2 of Part 3 of Public Law 12-150 stating in part, "that as a matter of policy it is opposed to the laying off of public employees without placing said employees in other jobs in either the private or public sectors of the economy"; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature made an interim appropriation in the amount of One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$135,000) and directed the Manager of the Commercial Port of Guam to appropriately place said employees in other jobs, further directing the Manager of the Commercial Port of Guam to file a report with the Guam Legislature no later than the 15th day of each month following the enactment of this section delineating his progress in placing these employees; and

WHEREAS, although Public Law 12-150 was signed by the Governor on June 21, 1974 the Governor and the Manager of the Commercial Port of Guam failed to actively place these employees in other meaningful jobs, failed to file with the

Legislature written progress reports as required by the above-mentioned law, choosing to ignore the above-mentioned provisions of the law; and

WHEREAS, during this critical period both the Governor and the Manager of the Commercial Port of Guam showed their complete disregard for the plight of these employees by being off-island, leaving the implementation of Public Law 12-150, as it relates to the placement of employees of the Commercial Port, to underlings and as a result nothing fruitful was accomplished; and

WHEREAS, the Manager of the Commercial Port of Guam, in complete disregard of the provisions of Public Law 12-150, on July 24, 1974, issued notices of separation to the abovementioned employees effective August 1, 1974, said notices being violative of Section 4010.1 of the Government Code of Guam as this section provides that employees who are terminated for lack of funds should be entitled to written notice of at least sixty (60) days prior to their removal or lay-off; and

WHEREAS, to further compound their errors, the Manager of the Commercial Port of Guam and the Governor of Guam, are now attempting to solve the problem by withdrawing the notices of separation; and

WHEREAS, the Twelfth Guam Legislature, recognizing the obligation of a government to implement laws in a fair and humane fashion, particularly when dealing with employees of the government of Guam, who have made many sacrifices in order that the territory of Guam will become a better place for all and further recognizing that as a result of the administrative bungling and disregard of human values, the employees of the Commercial Port of Guam have as the direct result of the callous actions of government leaders, suffered enormous mental anguish; now therefore

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

Section 1. Section 1 of Part 3 of Public Law 12-150 is
hereby amended as follows:

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"Section 1. The sum of Two Million Three Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$2,387,000), which is transferred from the General Fund to subsidize the operations of the Commercial Port of Guam Fund by Subsection VIII.A. of Section 2, Part 1, of this Act, and the anticipated receipts estimated at Seven Million Seven Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Dollars (\$7,721,000) of the Commercial Port of Guam Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, are hereby appropriated for the operations of the Commercial Port of Guam pursuant to the provisions of Title XV of the Government Code of Guam for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975; provided, however, that (a) no more than four hundred sixty-one (461) full-time positions and twenty-eight (28) part-time positions as enumerated in Section 5 of Part Two of this Act shall be maintained during the fiscal year at the Port any one time; (b) no more than Three Million Eight Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$3,884,460) shall be expended for the Personal Services listed in Section 5 of Part Two of this Act; (c) no more than the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) shall be expended for off-island travel and transportation to which no less than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) shall be expended for in-service training purposes; and (d) the Manager of the Commercial Port of Guam shall inform in writing the Speaker of the Guam Legislature and the Governor of Guam of (1) any contractual expenditure made by said Port in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) and (2) any contractual agreement which includes said Port as a party thereto and which by its

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terms will remain effective for a period in excess of 1 2 one (1) year. The information required in (d) above shall be provided within fifteen (15) days of the making of the 3 4 expenditure or the signing of the contract." Section 2. A new Section 3(a) is hereby added to Part 3 5 of Public Law 12-150 to read as follows: 6 7 "Section 3(a). The sum of Three Hundred Four Thousand Dollars (\$304,000) transferred to the Commercial Port of 8 9 Guam Fund by Subsection VIII.A. of Section 2, Part 1 of 10 this Act is hereby appropriated to be used to provide severance pay for those employees of the Commercial Port 11 12 of Guam not selected for employment by the Commercial 13 Port of Guam as of the date of the enactment of this Law, 14 subject to the following limitations: 15 (1) None of the sums appropriated by this section 16 shall be used for any purpose other than to pay severance 17 pay to employees not selected for employment by the 18 Commercial Port of Guam as of the date of enactment of this Law. 19 (2) Any eligible employee shall be entitled to 20 21 receive severance pay in the form of a lump sum payment 22 at the regular rate of compensation for three hundred 23 thirty-six (336) hours. 24 (3) Any funds not expended in accordance with this 25 section shall automatically revert to the Unappropriated 26 Surplus of the General Fund. 27 (4) The Manager of the Commercial Port shall file a 28 progress report with the Twelfth Guam Legislature no later 29 than the 15th day of each month in compliance with 30 Section 3 of Part 3 of Public Law 12-150 and it shall 31 be the duty of the Director, Department of Administration, 32 to assist the Manager of the Commercial Port in so placing said employees and to co-author said progress reports.

(5) Notwithstanding any other Law, rule or regulation to the contrary the certifying officer of the Department of Administration shall certify that funds appropriated by this section and expenditures thereunder comply in all respect with this Law."

Section 3. The sum of Nine Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$975,000) transferred to the Commercial Port of Guam Fund by Subsection VIII.A. of Section 2, Part 1 of this Act is hereby re-transferred to a special reserve account within the General Fund, and said sum is hereby appropriated to be used to pay all salaries of employees of the Public Utility Agency of Guam should the fund of that agency have insufficient cash to pay said employees. Notwithstanding any law, rule or regulation to the contrary the Director of the Department of Administration shall be the Certifying Officer of this fund and shall certify all or any expenditures of funds from this account only when he is satisfied that the fund of that agency has insufficient cash to pay the employees of that agency. The sum appropriated by this section shall be in the form of an interest-free loan to the Public Utility Agency of Guam for a period not to exceed six (6) months, provided, however, that such loan shall be forgiven upon the enactment by the Legislature of appropriate legislation. The Chief Officer of the Public Utility Agency of Guam shall file with the Twelfth Guam Legislature a report no later than the 15th day of each and every month delineating and providing an explanation for the expenditures charged against the appropriation herein provided and it shall be the duty of the Director, Department of Administration, to assist the Chief Officer of the Public Utility Agency of Guam and to co-author said monthly report.

Section 4. The sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars

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(\$25,000) transferred to the Commercial Port of Guam Fund by Subsection VIII.A. of Section 2, Part 1 of Public Law 12-150 is hereby re-transferred and appropriated to the Office of the Territorial Auditor to implement Section 5 of this Act.

Section 5. The Office of the Territorial Auditor is hereby

Section 5. The Office of the Territorial Auditor is hereby authorized to contract with a reputable firm of certified accountants to assist the Territorial Auditor in completing the report regarding the awarding of contracts by governmental agencies and departments pursuant to Resolution No. 247 adopted by the Twelfth Guam Legislature.

Section 6. Section 2.III.A. of Public Law 12-62 is amended to read as follows:

"A. For Personal Services, not to exceed the total of One Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars (\$194,995) for the positions enumerated in Schedule Two of Section 3 of this Act."

Section 7. Section 2.III.D. of Public Law 12-62 is amended to read as follows:

"D. For Contractual Services, not to exceed the total of Ten Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$10,178) as follows:

For power, not to exceed	\$	4,200
For rental and servicing of office		
machines, not to exceed		3,358
For repairs to machines, not to exceed	\$	200
For rental of copying machine including	r	4
supplies thereon and for other purposes,		
not to exceed	\$	2,720
For postage, not to exceed	\$	300
For printing, not to exceed	\$	300"

Section 8. Section 2.III.E. of Public Law 12-62 is amended to read as follows:

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1	"E. For Supplies and Materials, not to exceed the
2	total of One Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$1,790)
3	as follows:
4	For Office Supplies, not to exceed \$ 1,790"
5	Section 9. Section 2.III.F. is repealed in its entirety.
6	Section 10. Schedule Two of Section 3 of Public Law 12-62
7	is amended to read as follows:
8	"Schedule Two - Personal Services for the Office
9	of the Minority
10	(Section 2, III, A)
11	Minority Legal Services, not to exceed \$22,020
12	One (1) Administrative Secretary at \$12,000 per annum
13	One (1) Legal Secretary at \$9,000 per annum
14	One (1) Minority Aide at \$7,500 per annum
15	One (1) Clerk at pay range 9
16	One (1) Special Project Officer at \$8,500 per annum
17	One (1) Clerk Typist at pay range 3
18	One (1) Clerk at pay range 6
19	One (1) Minority Aide at pay range 17
20	One (1) Clerk Typist at pay range 7
21	One (1) Secretary at pay range 19
22	One (1) Budget and Research Analyst at \$12,000 per annum
23	One (1) Secretary at pay range 19
24	One (1) Special Assistant at pay range 29
25	One (1) Clerk at \$3,412 per annum
26	One (1) Clerk at pay range 3
27	One (1) Minority Aide at pay range 18
28	One (1) Research Analyst at \$11,500 per annum
29	One (1) Assistant Research Analyst at \$10,000 per annum
30	One (1) Minority Aide at \$7,200 per annum
31	Seven (7) part-time positions at rates to determined by
32	the Minority Leader"