SIXTEENTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1981 (FIRST) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 42, "An Act to repeal Chapter 1 of Title V of the Government Code and to enact Chapter 4 of Title 4 of the Guam Code Annotated relative to the reform of personnel policies and the Civil Service Commission," returned to the Legislature without the approval of the Governor was, in accordance with the Organic Act of Guam, reconsidered by the Legislature and after such reconsideration, the Legislature did on the 11th day of August 1981, agree to pass said bill notwithstanding the objections of the Governor by a vote of two-thirds of all the members thereof, to wit: by a vote of 15 members.

THOMAS V. C. TANAKA
Speaker

ATTESTED:

THOMAS C. CRISOSTOMO Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this 19th day of Cultured 1981 at 2:15 o'clock P.M.

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Bill No. 42
(As Substituted by the Committee on Governmental Operations)

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Introduced by: K. S. Moylan, F. R. Santos, J. T. San Agustin

AN ACT TO REPEAL CHAPTER 1 OF TITLE V OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE AND TO ENACT CHAPTER 4 OF TITLE 4 OF THE GUAN CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE REPORM OF PERSONNEL POLICIES AND THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

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

Section 1. A new Chapter 4 of Title 4 is added to the Guam

Code Annotated to read:

"CHAPTER 4

Personnel Policy and the Civil

Service Commission

Article 1 - Personnel Policy

Section 4101. Personnel Policy. (a) Employment in the service of the government of Cuam shall be based upon merit, and selection of employees shall be free of personal or political consideration. No person shall be discriminated against in an application for employment or dismissed from employment on account of race, color, age, religion, sex, national origin, or physical or mental impariment. All personnel actions, including appointments and promotions, shall be based, insofar as practicable, on competitive practical tests and evaluations. Continuity of employment shall be dependent upon good behavior, satisfactory performance of work and availability of funds.

(b) The government shall initiate an affirmative action program to assure that physically and mentally handicapped persons shall have an opportunity to obtain

government employment. The affirmative action program shall 2 include job training programs for the handicapped and a continuing review of job and work requirements by the per-3 sonnel agencies and the Civil Service Commission to assure no 5 artificial impediments or discriminatory physical or mental requirements be established to thwert job applications 7 submitted by handicapped persons. 8 Section 4102. Classified and Unclassified Services. 9 All offices and employment in the government of Guam shall be divided into classified and unclassified services as 10 follows: 11 (a) The unclassified service shall include the 12 13 positions of: 14 (1) elective officials; 15 judges and one bailiff and one secretary for 16 each judge; 17 Superior Court marshal, deputy marshals, 18 chief clerk and court administrator of the Superior 19 Court 20 heads of agencies and instrumentalities and 21 not more than one secretary for each such officer; 22 (5) the first assistant, by whatever title 23 denominated, to the heads of agencies and instrumenta-24 lities stated in paragraph (4) of this subsection; 25 (6) persons employed on a temporary basis but in 26 no event longer than one (1) year for the purpose of 27 furnishing professional or technical services to the 28 government of Guam; 29 (7) members of boards and commissions; 30 executive director of the Commissioner's 31 Council: 32 (9) all offices and employment in the executive

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1 branch whose appointments are required to be confirmed 2 by the Cuam Legislature; 3 (10) all offices and employment made, by law, to 4 be at the pleasure of any board, commission or officer; 5 legislative attaches, the executive director (11)and staff of an individual senator or standing committee 7 of the Legislature; 8 members of the Guam Caming Commission; (12)9 (13)physicians employed at Guam Memorial Hospital 10 Authority; 11 (14) all positions in the Department of Military 12 Affairs; and 13 (15) not more than ten (10) employees of the Office 14 of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor. (b) The classified service shall include all other 15 16 positions in the government of Guam except for any position authorized but for which no position description has yet been 17 developed. Such a position shall be filled through a 18 19 contract, which contract shall be valid only until the 20 position description has been developed and approved by the Civil Service Commission, at which time, the position shall 21 22 be filled as required for positions in the classified service. 23 An agency shall have three (3) months during which to develop 24 the job description and present it to the Civil Service 25 Commission for approval. The employment under a contract in 26 a position without a description shall not continue after 27 three (3) months from the commencement of the contract. 28 Section 4103. Preferences. (a) No preference shall be given in the government service, except that residents of 29 Guam who are physically or mentally impaired, but are physi-30 cally and mentally able to perform efficiently and safely the 31 duties of the job being applied for as cartified by the 32

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Director of Public Health and Social Services, or who are veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States, or who are former members of the Guam Police Combat Patrol, as certified by the Director of Public Safety, shall receive a preferential credit of five (5) points which shall be added to their passing score, and such veterans or former members who are disabled as a result of their service in the Armed Forces or Combat Patrol, shall receive a preferential credit of ten (10) points which shall be added to their passing score. In addition, if two (2) applicants for government service are equally qualified for the position to be filled, and one is a beneficiary of a preference pursuant to this subsection, while the other is not, the former shall be given the first offer of position.

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(b) The points added to an applicant's passing score shall be added only if the applicant receives a minimum passing score and upon initial employment only.

Section 4104. Departmental Personnel Rules. Rules subject to critaria established by this Chapter governing the selection, promotion, performance evaluation, demotion, suspension and other disciplinary action, shall be adopted by the Board of Directors for the Guam Airport Authority, Board of Directors for Guam Economic Development Authority, Board of Directors for Guam Housing Corporation, Board of Commissioners for Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority, Legislature, Judicial Council, the Board of Directors of the Guam Telephone Authority, the Board of Directors of the Guam Power Authority, the Board of Directors of the Guam Power Authority, the Board of Education, the Board of Regents of the University of Guam, the Guam Community College Board of Trustees and by the Board of Trustees of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority with respect to personnel matters within

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their respective branches, agencies or departments, and by 1 the Director of Administration as to all other executive 2 branch employment. Such rules shall, to the extent 3 practicable, provide standard conditions for entry into and other matters concerning the government service. 5 personnel rules adopted for Guam Airport Authority, Cuam Telephone Authority, Guam Port Authority, Guam Power 7 Authority, Board of Education, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, the Judiciary and by the Director of Administra-9 tion shall require that all their classified employee 10 appeals be heard by the Civil Service Commission. Personnel 11 rules governing the Legislature and other executive branch 12 entities may require that their classified employee appeals 13 be heard by the Civil Service Commission. Rules concerning 14 the executive branch shall take effect upon their approval 15 by the Civil Service Commission, by Executive Order of the 16 Governor and filing with Legislative Secretary. Rules 17 concerning the legislative and judicial branches shall 18 take effect upon filing with the Civil Service Commission. 19 Such rules shall include the following provisions: 20

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- (a) That the minimum rate of each pay range shall be the normal rate for initial employment in the positions and classes assigned thereto; provided, however, that directors or other departmental heads may, with the approval of the Civil Service Commission, authorize initial employment in a position at a higher step in the position's pay range if such action is warranted by recruitment difficulties or by the new employee's special or unusual qualifications, including experience.
- (b) That no spouse of any director, chief administrator or other department head within the government of Guam may be employed within the department, agency or instrumenta-

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lity so headed by such director, chief administrator, or 1 other officer. That overtime for those employees entitled thereto (c) shall be calculated at one and one-half (1 1/2) times their regular wage; and 5 That employees may work at outside employment not in conflict with their government service nor such as would 7 bring the government of Guam or its employees into disrepute, 8 but that any employee may undertake such employment only if Q such is not in conflict with his duly scheduled hours of 10 government employment and only with the consent in writing 11 of his department or agency head, which consent may not be 12 unreasonably withheld. 13 Adoption of such rules are not subject to the Adminis-14 trative Adjudication Act. 15 The personnel rules Section 4105. Personnel Rules. 16 provided for in Section 4104 of this Chapter shall provide 17 procedures for the employment of persons on the basis of 18 merit, and shall include an orderly and systematic method 19 of recruitment and the establishment of qualified lists for 20 employment purposes. They shall provide for a probationary 21 period of not less than three (3) nor more than twelve (12) 22 months for all original appointments, except for original 23 academic appointments at the University of Guam or the Guam 24 Community College, during which time the employee may be 25 dismissed at any time without right of appeal and without 26. right of being given reasons or charges in writing. Specific 27 procedures and policies shall be included, governing the 28 29 following: (1) the announcement of vacancies and acceptance of 30 applications for employment; 31 preparation and conduct of examinations; 32 - 6 -

establishment and use of employment lists containing (3) 1 names of persons eligible for employment; 2 establishment of promotional policies; (4) 3 certification of employment of persons from employment lists to fill vacancies and the making of temporary 5 and emergency appointments; 6 (6) evaluation of the work of employees, including those 7 serving a probationary period; 8 (7) transfer, promotion and reinstatement of employees 9 in the competitive service; 10 (S) separation from the service of employees by 11 resignation, layoff, suspension, dismissal, and for 12 incapacity to perform required duties, provided that the 13 rules shall provide a system for the employee to seek 14 reconsideration of suspension, dismissal and removal for 15 incapacity to perform by answering any charges within ten 16 (10) days and having a conference with the administrative 17 head; 18 establishment of hours of work, attendance and (9) 19 leave regulations, and working conditions; 20 development of employee morale, welfare, and (10)21 training; 22 rules governing the outside employment of (11)23 employees; 24 (12) maintenance and use of necessary records and 25 forms: 26 a uniform system of handling all grievances, 27 except where a different grievance system has been negotiated 28 between a recognized employee organization and the 29 appropriate management officials; 30 (14) appeal of an adverse action not inconsistent with 31 Sections 4175 and 4176 of this Chapter; 32

(15) in the case of academic employees of the University of Guam or the Guam Community College, and their successor agencies, a system of tenure appropriate to the academic nature of the respective institutions; and

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(16) such other matters as may be necessary to properly carry out the intent and purposes of this Chapter.

Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, all contracts for the hiring of non-resident, off-island employees shall conform to the provisions of Section 4110.3 of the Government Code.

Section 4106. Maternity Leave. Maternity leave shall be granted to a female employee occupying a permanent position who is absent from work as a result of childbirth. Such maternity leave shall not exceed ten (10) days, shall be in addition to sick leave and shall be paid leave. Such maternity leave shall be any ten (10) days encompassing the date of childbirth, and any additional leave taken for such childbirth purposes shall be charged against accumulated sick leave.

Section 4107. Sick Leave. (a) Defined. Employees occupying permanent positions shall accrue sick leave at the rate of one-half day (4 hours) for each biweekly pay period in which they are in pay status for the entire ten (10) days; otherwise, there shall be no accrual for such period. For the purposes of this Section, all full-time employees of the Department of Education, University of Guam and the Guam Community College shall be deemed to be employed on the same two thousand eighty (2,080) hour year divided into twenty-six (26) biweekly pay periods as other permanent positions within the government, even though such employees may be paid in accordance with a different payroll system. Therefore, they shall accrue thirteen (13) days sick leave per duty year.

Accumulation. Unused sick leave may be accumulated 1 and carried over to succeeding leave years without limitation. 2 Sick leave with pay shall be allowed (c) When Allowed. 3 whenever the employee is compelled to be absent from duty on account of illness, injury, medical condition, or because of 5 quarantine due to his own or another's illness. 6 (d) Certification. If an employee is absent because of illness, injury, medical condition or quarantine in excess of 8 three (3) consecutive days, he may be required to furnish a 9 certification as to the incapacity from a regularly licensed 10 physician or other evidence administratively acceptable. 11 department head may require certification for such other 12 period as is appropriate. 13 (e) Administration. If the certification required by 14 subsection (d) is not furnished, all absence which would have 15 been covered by such certification shall be indicated on the 16 payroll as leave of absence without pay. 17 (f) Special Provisions. The generality of Subsections 18 (a) through (f) is subject to the following special 19 provisions: 20 Additional sick leave with pay may be allowed 21 an employee on the recommendation of the Director of 22 Administration, or the appropriate branch, department, 23 agency or authority head and approval of the depart-24 25 ment, agency or authority board or commission, where such exists, or the Governor for employees of the 26 executive branch, the Rules Committee of the Legislature 27 for employees within the legislative branch, and the 28 Judicial Council for employees of the Judiciary. 29 30 Falsification of an illness or medical condition report shall be considered sufficient cause 31 32 for disciplinary action, including dismissal from the

government service for repeated offenses.

- (3) Sick leave with pay shall be allowed during leaves of absence or vacation, provided, however, that any sick leave taken while on vacation must be supported by a certificate issued by a licensed physician. No employee shall be allowed to undertake gainful employment while on sick leave status.
- (4) The minimum charge for sick leave shall be one hour and additional charges in multiples thereof.
- (5) Sick leave with pay, up to a maximum of thirteen (13) days, may be granted in advance of earning such leave under the conditions described in subsections (a), (b), (d), (f)(3) and (f)(4) of this Section. If an employee is separated from the service without having earned all of the sick leave allowed and taken, there shall be deducted from any money due him at the time of separation an amount equal to his salary for the period of unearned sick leave allowed and taken.
- (6) Responsibility for administration of this Section shall remain with the appointing authorities, subject to such audit as may be ordered by the Civil Service Commission.
- (g) Vesting. Sick leave accrued for service with the government of Guam or any of its instrumentalities, branches, authorities or any entity, corporation, or agency, shall vest in the employee upon accrual and shall remain vested in such employee so long as he is employed by the government notwithstanding the fact that from time to time, he may be transferred from one branch to another or to an autonomous agency, authority or other entity within the government of Guam, provided, that if such employee is separated from government service for a period longer than three (3) years,

he shall be divested of all accumulated sick leave.

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Section 4108. Annual Leave. (a) Annual leave shall be granted employees occupying permanent positions, except personnel of the Department of Education, Guam Community College or the University of Guam who are employed on a school year basis, in accordance with the following schedule:

- (1) One-half day (4 hours) for each full biweekly pay period in the case of employees with less than three (3) years of service.
- (2) Three-fourths day (6 hours) for each biveckly pay period except that the accrual for the last full biveckly pay period in the year shall be one and one-fourth day (10 hours) in the case of employees with threa (3) but less than fifteen (15) years of service.
- (3) One (1) day for each full biweekly pay period in the case of employees with fifteen (15) years or more service.

For purposes of this Section, all elective officials except members of the Board of Education shall be deemed employees occupying permanent positions.

- (b) The terms 'years of service' shall be deemed to include service with the Naval Government of Guam or with other federal instrumentalities or agencies within Guam prior to August 1, 1950, and to include honorable service with the Armed Forces of the United States if such former member of the Armed Forces is not receiving a ratirement annuity or pension as a result of such military service.

 'Years of service' shall include one year for each year served as a school year employee.
- (c) Employees entitled to annual leave hereunder may accumulate up to four hundred eighty (480) hours thereof.

 Any annual leave earned by eligible employees in excess of

four hundred eighty (480) hours shall be automatically credited to such employee's accumulated sick leave, provided, that not more than one hundred (100) hours shall be credited to said sick leave.

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- (d) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to preclude provision, by appropriate personnel rules and regulations, for annual leave for employees occupying permanent positions excepted from the application of this Section, and such other matters as are essential or incidental to the administration of the leave system not otherwise prescribed herein, including but not limited to accumulation and carry-over of leave to succeeding fiscal years.
- (e) Any employee who transfers from one branch of the government of Guam to another, or from one department, agency, instrumentality or corporation of the government of Guam to another department, agency, instrumentality or corporation at his option may accept the cash value of his earned leave at the time of transfer or transfer his accumulated leave to his new government position, notwithstanding the fact that such transfer may appear on the employee's personnel records as a resignation and re-employment.

Section 4109. Sabbatical Leave. All consultants, teachers, vice principals, assistant principals and principals of the Department of Education and academic employees of the University of Guam and of the Guam Community College, all of whom are permanent residents of Guam, may be given a sabbatical leave of absence upon completion of seven (7) consecutive years of satisfactory teaching service. To be eligible for such sabbatical leave, an employee must have obtained a baccalaureate degree or its equivalent, or otherwise be deemed or sufficient skill and experience to deserve such a leave. The Board of Education, the Guam

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Community College Board of Trustees, or the Board of Regents, as the case may be, shall determine eligibility for such leave and shall schedule the same in such a way as not to unduly interfere with or disrupt the operations of the Department of Education, Guam Community College or the University of Guam, respectively. As a condition for the granting of sabbatical leave, the employee must, during the period of such leave, be engaged in endeavors related to his field of employment, and agree to return to his employment following such leave for a period of not less than two (2) years. 'Sabbatical leave' for the purposes of this section, means twelve (12) calendar months of fully paid leave, and any accumulated regular annual leave must be included within and taken at the same time as the sabbatical leave.

Section 4110. Lump Sum Payment for Annual Leave.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an employee of the government entitled to annual vacation leave may, prior to his taking of any such leave, receive a lump sum payment in cash equivalent to the amount of leave authorized to be taken.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Title, or of Title V of the Government Code, the administrative heads of executive departments, agencies, or instrumentalities of the government, and of the judicial and legislative branches of the government, may employ during the vacation period between school years, at a rate not exceeding the minimum wage specified by any applicable federal or Guam law, students of the various public and private schools in Guam who are at least sixteen (16) years of age, provided, that such employment may not exceed eight (8) hours in one day and five (5) days in one week and that such employment may not be of a hazardous nature or in any way injurious to or endangering

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Section shall not be eligible for retirement, sick or annual leave benefits, and, except as may be specifically provided therein, the personnel rules shall not apply to such employment, provided, however, that such employment shall be considered as employment for purposes of the Worker's Compensation Act.

Section 4112. Employment on Loan Basis. The Governor may request the services, on a loan basis, of employees of the United States, or the government of any state, territory, or possession of the United States, or political subdivision thereof, and agree to comply with conditions imposed pursuant to law with respect to such employee's continued membership in employee's retirement system of the lending government and any requirements of the lending government as to salary and transportation expenses.

Section 4113. Any employee in the classified service may be appointed or transferred to a position in a different branch, department, agency, instrumentality, authority or corporation requiring equivalent qualification for the one held or to a higher position. Qualification and standards as established by the Civil Service Commission in cooperation with any branch, department, agency, or instrumentality authorized by law to administer the personnel law and determine its own personnel rules shall be honored and accepted. Any employee affected by this Section shall not have affected adversely his governmental service, retirement credits, sick or annual leave, and other fringe benefits normally granted to an employee of the government.

Section 4114. Right of Petition. The right of persons employed by the government, either individually or collectively, to petition the Legislature, or any committee or

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member thereof, or the Governor, shall not be denied or interfered with.

Article 2

Removal, Frohibitions, Penalties

Section 4130. Removal Generally. No person in the classified service shall be removed except for such cause as will promote the efficiency of the service and for the reasons given in writing. The person whose removal is sought shall have notice of the same and of any charges preferred against him, and be furnished with a copy thereof, except as provided in Section 4105 of this Chapter, and also be allowed a reasonable time for personally answering the same in writing with affidavits in support thereof; provided, however, that this section shall not apply to persons whose employment is purely temporary, seasonal, intermittent, part-time, or only for a specific project.

Nothing in this Section shall permit an employee to have redetermined by the Commission any matter which, having been finally judicially determined, is grounds, in law or parsonnel rule, for removal from the government service.

Section 4131. (a) Termination of employment. As used in this Section: 'termination of employment' means the ending of an employee's status as an employee with the government when the act is initiated by the government.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, any employee, including a casual employee, who is within the classified service, shall be given written notice of at least sixty (60) days prior to termination of employment for any reason. In situations where for the convenience of the government it is necessary to terminate an employment without the giving of sixty (60) days notice, the employee shall be retained in pay status

until the notice period shall have run.

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(c) Subsection (b) of this Section shall not apply to a person whose employment is terminated for cause, provided, however, that this exclusion shall not impair an employee's right to challenge such termination under applicable personnel rules.

(d) In instances where an employee has been continued in pay status but been relieved of duties, the employee shall not be given a lump sum payment for the period of notice to which entitled but shall, instead, be paid on a bi-weekly basis and such payment shall continue only so long as the employee certifies under oath that he has not obtained new employment. The obtaining of new employment during the notice period shall constitute a waiver by the employee to any further claim for the pay to which he would otherwise be entitled.

Section 4132. Prohibition - Rabitual Intoxicant. No person habitually using intoxicating beverages in excess, or narcotic or other mind-altering drugs which are being used unlawfully, shall be appointed to or retained in any office, appointment, or employment in the government.

Section 4133. Prohibition - Several members of family. Whenever there are already two or more members of an immediate family in the public service under the same department of any branch of the government, no other members of such family shall be eligible to appointment to any such department; provided, however, that such prohibition shall not apply to employees in the medical, para-medical or teaching professions. As used in this Section, 'immediate family' means a collective body of persons living together in one home under one head.

Section 4134. Miscellaneous Prohibitions. (a) ferences, conditions, and prohibitions concerning employment in the government shall conform with the provisions of the Organic Act of Guam. No person shall be discriminated against in connection with any of the processes provided for by this Chapter or in the rules adopted thereunder because of race, color, political opinions or religious opinions or affiliations.

- (b) Any person who uses or attempts to use political influence or promises any advantage in connection with the selection or promotion of any employee in the classified services, solicits contributions for political purposes, or solicits during office hours or at any time makes demands upon employees in the classified services for such contribution shall be guilty of a petty misdemeanor.
- (c) Any person who wilfully makes a false or misleading statement in order to secure employment, advancement, or other benefits under this Chapter or under the rules adopted thereunder shall be guilty of a petty misdemeanor and, in addition, shall forfeit the position, employment, benefit, or advancement sought through the false or misleading statement or statements.
- (d) No person who advocates, or who aids or belongs to any party, organization, or association which advocates the overthrow by force or violence of the government of Guam or of the United States shall be qualified to hold a government position.
- (e) No officer or employee of the government shall conduct or engage in any business or trade outside the government service without the prior approval of his department head as provided in Section 4104 of this Chapter.

In addition to the limitations contained in Section 4104(d) of this Chapter:

- (1) No approval shall be granted if such business or trade may be prejudicial to the best interests of the people or if there may be a conflict of interest between the officer's or employee's government position and the outside trade or business.
- indirect interest in any firm, partnership, business or corporation which contracts with the government, at the time of submission of bids or commencement of negotiations as the case may be, shall file a statement under oath with the Director of Administration for executive branch employees, the Court Administrator for Judiciary employees, and the Executive Director of the Legislature for legislative branch employees describing such interest. Any such statement shall also be given to the department head of such employee and shall be a public record for all purposes.

As used in this Section, 'interest' includes ownership of not less than five percent (5%) of the firm, corporation or partnership or the employee having a position with the said firm, corporation or partnership equivalent to that of officer, manager, or other decision-making position.

(f) Failure by an officer or employee to comply with any of the provisions of subsection (e) of this Section shall be grounds for dismissal from government service and the Director of Administration, Court Administrator or Executive Director of the Legislature, as the case may be, shall order the compensation stopped of any officer or employee found to be in violation.

Any contract entered into involving a violation of 1 subsection (e) of this Section may be declared null and void 2 at the discretion of the government. 3 No contract may be entered into whereby any officer or employee shall have any administrative, super-5 visory, or directory power over the execution thereof if 6 such officer or employee has any direct or indirect interest 7 in the contractor or in the contract. All contracts entered 8 into in violation of this subsection are void. 9 Section 4135. Penalties. In addition to appropriate 10 administrative actions, any violation of the provisions of 11 this Chapter is a petty misdemeanor. 12 13 Article 3 14 Group Benefits Section 4155. False Arrest Insurance. 15 (a) The Governor or his designee shall obtain, on behalf of the employees of 16 the government, false arrest insurance on a competitive basis 17 for the employees for any false arrest, assault and battery, 18 false imprisonment, or malicious prosecution in the course of 19 the employee's duties as a peace officer of the territory. 20 The Director of Public Safety shall determine which 21 employees of the government require such protection and their 22 participation therein shall be mandatory and all premiums for 23 any such policies shall be paid in full by the government. 24 (c) As used in this Section, 'peace officer' shall mean 25 all persons designated as such by 8 GCA \$5.55 (Criminal 26 27 Procedure). Section 4156. Payroll Deductions Authorized. 28 government, with the consent of the employee which consent 29 may be withdrawn at any time, may provide payroll deductions 30

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for the making of any payments authorized by this Article

and the making of mortgage payments by government employees on home or appliance loans obtained by said employees wherein the Small Business Administration of the United States is mortgagee.

In addition, the Director of Administration or any appropriate authority may establish, by appropriate rule, subject to the Administrative Adjudication Act, any other payments which may be paid by employees, with their consent which may be withdrawn at any time thereafter, through payroll deductions.

The provisions of this Section shall not apply to payroll deductions authorized by Section 4415(e) of the Government Code.

Article 4

Civil Service Commission

Section 4170. Civil Service Commission. (a) There is established, in and for the government of Guam, a Civil Service Commission composed of seven (7) members appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Legislature. The members shall serve for a term of six (6) years and until their successors are appointed and qualified, provided that of the initial members appointed under this Chapter, appointments shall be made so that two (2) members of the Commission, sitting or newly appointed shall serve for two (2) years, two (2) members, sitting or newly appointed shall serve for a term of four (4) years and three (3) members, sitting or newly appointed shall serve for a term of six (6) years.

(b) No member shall be an employee of the government, a member of any board or commission of the government, a recipient of any annuity from the government, nor a member of the immediate family of an employee of the Government. As used in this Section, 'immediate family' means a collective

body of persons living together in one house under one head.

- (c) The appointment of any person to the Commission shall become void if at any time during his term of office, he shall become an employee of the government, accept appointment to any other board or commission or accept an annuity from the government.
- (d) When a vacancy occurs, the Governor shall appoint a new member within sixty (60) days of the commencement of the vacancy.
- (e) The Governor may remove members of the Civil Service Commission but only for conviction of a crime constituting a felony or a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, willful misconduct in office, willful and persistent failure to perform the duties of office, or any conduct which is prejudicial to the administration of the merit system of the government of Guam. Nothing in this Section shall require the reappointment of any member. A person sought to be removed may challenge the decision by an action for declaratory judgment in the Superior Court.
- (f) The members of the Civil Service Commission sitting at the date of enactment of this Chapter who meet the requirements and limitations placed upon membership by this Chapter shall remain in office until the expiration of their respective terms.

Section 4171. The quorum of the Commission shall be four (4) members. The vote of four members shall be required for any action of the Commission. The Commission may adopt rules to govern its procedures.

Section 4172. Duties of the Commission. The Commission has the following duties, powers and responsibilities:

(a) It shall provide by rule standards relating to position classification, creation of new positions or classes

of positions, as provided in Section 4107 of the Government Code, and as required for positions in the other branches of the government as such positions are placed within the jurisdiction of the Commission. It shall hear appeals from the adverse actions taken to suspend, demote, or dismiss an employee from the classified service if such right of appeal to the Commission is established in the personnel rules governing the employee.

(c) It shall investigate conditions of government employment as it deems necessary and report findings and recommendations to the Governor and Legislature annually.

- (d) It may set aside and declare null and void any personnel action taken by any entity of the government under its jurisdiction when it has found that such action was taken without compliance with personnel laws or rules, provided, however, that this section shall not be deemed to permit appeals by employees from adverse actions not covered by subsection (b), above.
- (e) It shall review the salaries of positions in the unclassified service, including judges and elected officials and recommend adjustments to the Legislature on an annual basis.
- (f) Administer, as provided in law and in Executive Orders, the Equal Employment Opportunity Programs of the government.
- (8) It shall prepare and submit to the Governor and the Legislature on or before July 1 of each year, an analysis of changes needed to adjust the pay schedules to reflect changes in the cost of living in the previous year. If the Governor for reasons of emergency or economic condition affecting the general welfare finds it inappropriate to implement the adjustment, he shall submit an alternate

proposal to the Legislature no later than August 1. Unless the Legislature reduces, raises or nullifies the adjustments made by the Civil Service Commission, the adjustment shall go into effect on October 1 of that year.

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Section 4173. Subposna Powers. The Chairperson of the Civil Service Commission or the Executive Director, upon his own initiative, upon the request of any member of the Commission, or upon the request of any party before the Commission, may summon in writing any person to attend before a meeting of the Commission as a witness and in a proper case, to bring with him any book, record or paper which may be deemed material as evidence in the case. The fees for such attendance shall be the same as the fees of witnesses before the Superior Court, except that if the witness is a government employee no witness fees shall be given. subpoens shall issue in the name of the Civil Service Commission, and shall be directed to the person and shall be served in the same manner as subpoenas to appear and testify before the court. If any person or persons summoned to testify shall refuse or neglect to obey said subpoena, upon petition, the court may compel the attendance of such person or persons before the Commission, or punish said person or persons for contempt in the same manner provided by law for securing the attendance of witnesses or their punishment for neglect or refusal to attend in the Superior Court.

Section 4174. Commission Staff. The Civil Service Commission may employ its own staff and shall employ its own legal counsel to serve at the pleasure of the Commission, either on a full-time basis, or may employ on retainer an attorney in private practice in Guam. An attorney employed by the Commission, and who is not in private practice, may be treated as an attorney of the government for purposes of

admission to the practice of law in Guam.

Section 4175. Adverse Action Procedure and Appeals. An employee who is to be dismissed, demoted, or suspended shall be given immediate notice of the proposed action, together with a specific statement of the charges upon which such action is based, in the manner required by Article I of this Chapter. Copies thereof shall be filed with the Civil Service Commission and, if applicable, with the government entity charged with hearing his appeal under the personnel rules governing his employment not later than the working day next following the effective date of the action.

While an employee's appeal is pending, he may be suspended by the department, instrumentality or agency. The Civil Service Commission or appropriate entity may order the employee reinstated to active duty during pendancy of the appeal.

The employee within twenty (20) days of the effective date of the action, may appeal to the Commission or appropriate entity by filing his written answer to the charges against him. The Commission or appropriate entity shall then set the matter for hearing as expeditiously as possible. The employee or his representative shall be given the opportunity to inspect any documents relevant to the action which would be admissible in evidence at the hearing, and to depose, interview or direct written interrogatories to other employees having knowledge of the acts or omissions upon which the dismissal, demotion or suspension is based. The Commission or appropriate entity may sustain, modify or revoke the action taken. The decision of the Commission or appropriate entity shall be final but subject to judicial review.

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Section 4176. Standards for Making Decisions on Appeal.

(a) Upon the hearing of any adverse action appeal, the burden of proof shall be upon the government to show that the action of the branch, department, agency or instrumentality was correct.

- (b) Upon the hearing of a grievance, discrimination complaint or other appeal, the burden of proof shall be upon the employee to show that the action of the government was improper.
- (c) In cases involving charges which could be a crime if the person was charged in a criminal action, the Commission shall determine the matter based upon substantial evidence that the employee committed the acts charged.

Section 4177. Enforcement of Orders. The Civil Service Commission may seek enforcement of its decisions and orders in all matters by application to the Superior Court for the appropriate remedy. In seeking enforcement of its decisions and orders, the application for enforcement shall be entitled 'The Civil Service Commission v. (department, agency, instrumentality or officer)'. No enforcement shall be commenced against any department head or other employee or officer of the government in his personal capacity.

Section 4178. Administrative Adjudication Act Not Applicable. Neither the rules of the Civil Service Commission, nor any procedures prescribed thereunder are subject to the Administrative Adjudication Law, unless the contrary is expressly required by a law other than the Administrative Adjudication Law."

Section 2. Section 4026 of the Government Code, as enacted by Section 18 of Public Law 15-135, is renumbered Section 3104 of the Government Code.

Section 3. A new Section 11966.1 is added to the Government Code to read:

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"Section 11966.1. Personnel Rules: Academic Personnel and Administrative Officers. Rules and regulations governing selection, compensation, promotion, performance evaluation, and disciplinary action affecting academic personnel and administrative offficers shall be adopted by the Board in accordance with Sections 4 GCA 4104 and 4105. Such rules and regulations shall provide for the employment of persons on the basis of merit, and shall include an orderly and systematic method of recruitment and the establishment of qualified lists for employment purposes. For the purpose of this Section, an 'administrative officer' is defined as one who holds any of the following positions: Associate or Assistant Dean; Associate or Assistant Director; Dean or Director; Assistant to the Provost or Vice-President; provided, however, that nothing in this Chapter shall be construed as preventing the Board from establishing other administrative officer positions or abolishing any of the existing positions indicated herein."

Section 4. Section 11841 of the Government Code is amended to read:

"Section 11841. Personnel Rules: Academic Personnel and Administrative Officers. Rules and regulations governing selection, compensation, promotion, performance evaluation, and disciplinary action affecting academic personnel and administrative officers shall be adopted by the Board in accordance with Sections 4 GCA 4104 and 4105. Such rules and regulations shall provide for the employment of persons on the basis of merit, and shall include an orderly and systematic method of recruitment and the establishment of qualified lists for employment purposes. For the purpose

of this Section, an 'administrative officer' is defined as 1 one who holds any of the following positions: Associate or 2 3 Assistant Dean; Associate or Assistant Director; Dean or Director; Assistant to the President or Vice-President; provided, however, that nothing in this Chapter shall be construed as preventing the Board from establishing other 6 administrative officer positions or abolishing any of the existing positions indicated herein and further provided, 8 however, that nothing in this Section nor in any other 9 section of this Chapter involving the outlay of public funds 10 shall become effective unless funds, therefore, shall have 11 been provided in the University's annual budget." 12 Section 5. Section 53553(1) of the Government Code is 13 amended to read: 14

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"(1) To employ such employees to provide such clerical and technical assistance as may be necessary for the conduct of the business of the Corporation; to delegate to them such powers and to prescribe for them such duties as may be deemed appropriate by the Corporation; to fix and pay such compensation to them for their services as the Corporation may determine without regard to the provisions of the personnel and compensation law; to require bonds from such of them as the Corporation may designate, the premiums therefor to be paid by the Corporation, and to remove and discharge such employees and other clerical and technical assistants, pursuant to the provisions of the personnel

Section 6. Section 13902(g) of the Government Code is amended to read:

4 GCA 4104 and 4105."

"(g) The Governor shall designate a Chairman and Vice-Chairman from among the Commissioners. The Commissioners

regulations adopted pursuant to the provisions of Sections

shall constitute the Board of Commissioners of the Authority. The Board may employ an Executive Director of the Authority who shall serve at the pleasure of the Board, technical experts, such other officers, agents, and employees, permanent and temporary, as it may deem necessary, and shall determine their qualifications, duties, tenure, and compensation. For such legal service as it may require, the Authority may employ or retain its own counsel and legal staff. The Authority may delegate to one or more of its officers, agents, or employees, such powers and duties as it may deem proper. The Board shall adopt personnel rules pursuant to Sections 4 CCA 4104 and 4105."

Section 7. Section 20003(1) of the Government Code is amended to read:

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"(1) To appoint, pursuant to the provisions of the personnel rules adopted pursuant to Sections 4 GCA 4104 and 4105, such officers, agents, attorneys and employees, as may be necessary for the conduct of the business of the Housing Corporation; to delegate to them such powers and to prescribe for them such duties as may be deemed appropriate by the Housing Corporation; to fix and pay such compensation to them for their services as the Housing Corporation may determine, without regard to the compensation laws and to require bonds from such of them as the Housing Corporation may designate, the premiums, therefore, to be paid by the Housing Corporation. Any member of said board who is found by the Governor or his representative to be guilty of a violation of this Section shall be removed from office by the Governor and any appointee of said board who is found by the board to be guilty of a violation of this Section shall be removed from office by said board. The Housing Corporation shall give due consideration to residents of

Cuam in the selection and promotion of its officers and 1 2 employees." Section 8. Section 21512(a) of the Government Code is 3 4 amended to read: "(a) Employment. Pursuant to the provisions of 5 Sections 4 GCA 4104 and 4105, the Board shall establish 7 rules and regulations regarding selection, promotion, performance evaluation, demotion, suspension, and other 8 9 disciplinary action for the employees of the Authority; provided, however, that all contracts for the hiring of 10. off-island employees shall conform to the provisions of 11 Section 4110.3 of the Government Code." 12 Section 9. Section 21612(a) of the Government Code is 13 amended to read: 14 "(a) Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 4 GCA 15 4104 and 4105, the Board shall establish rules and regulations 16 governing selection, promotion, performance evaluation, 17 demotion, suspension and other disciplinary action for the 18 employees of the Authority; provided, however, that all 19 contracts for the hiring of off-island employees shall 20 conform to the provisions of Section 4110.3 of the Government 21 22 Code." Section 10. Section 62011(a) of the Government Code is 23 24 amended to read: 25 "(a) The Board, pursuant to Sections 4 GCA 4104 and 4105, shall establish rules and regulations governing the 26 selection, promotion, performance evaluation, demotion, 27

employees of the Authority."

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Section 11. Section 14010(a) of the Government Code is amended to read:

"(a) Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 4 GCA 4104 and 4105, the Board shall establish rules and regulations governing selection, promotion, performance evaluation, demotion, suspension and other disciplinary action for the employees of the Authority."

Section 12. Section 1016 of the Government Code is repealed and reenacted to read:

- "(a) The Legislature, in addition to the attaches referred to in Section 1010 of this Code, and any classified employees, may employ as the staff of a senator or committee of the Legislature other employees, to be known as 'staff employees', as it may from time to time require. Notwithstanding the provisions of the personnel law and of the compensation law, the methods of appointment and promotion and the compensation, tenure, leave and other condition of employment of such staff employees and attaches shall be such as the Legislature may from time to time fix by its Standing Rules or by resolution.
- (b) The Committee on Rules shall certify the amount of compensation due such employees and attaches in accordance with the Standing Rules or resolution of the Legislature and the disbursing officer of the Legislature shall thereupon pay the same in accordance with said certification.
- (c) The respective term of employment for all staff employees and attaches of the legislative branch shall automatically expire upon the termination of the term of that Legislature. The Chairman of the Rules Committee of an outgoing Legislature, within ten (10) days following the declaration of results and issuance of certificates

1	of election under the election law, shall account for and
2	effect the orderly turn-over of legislative keys and other
3	property, records, and files to the legislator designated
4	for that purpose by the majority of the incoming
5	legislators."
6	Section 13. Subsection (b) of Section 49007 of the Govern-
7	ment Code is amended to read:
8	"(b) All employees of the hospital, except physicians,
9	shall be members of the classified service of the govern-
10	ment."
11	Section 14. Sections 4019, 4019.1, 4020, 4020.1 (enacted
12	by Public Law 12-213, as amended) and 4020.2 are renumbered
13	Sections 4 GCA 4150, 4151, 4152, 4153 and 4154; and the remaining
14	Sections of Chapter I of Title V of the Government Code, relative
15	to the "Personnel Board", are repealed.
16	Section 15. Section 4103.1 of the Government Code is
17	repealed.
18	Section 16. The provisions of this Act shall take effect
19	on October 1, 1981.