SEVENTEENTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1984 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE COVERNOR

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 750, "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER V TO TITLE II OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING A JUDICIAL BUILDING FUND AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PLANNING, CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPMENT OF A JUDICIAL BUILDING, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," was on the 7th Day of December 1984, duly and regularly passed.

C. GUTIERRE Speaker

Attested; TED S. NELSON

Senator and Acting Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this ______ 1984, at _______ o'clock __.m.

10^{sh} day of December

ssistant Staff Officer Governor's Office

APPROVED:

RICARDO J. BORDALLO Governor of Guam

pm. g¥ Date: Public Law No. 17-82

With the exception of Section 3 in which I have vetoed, appropriating the sum of \$10,000.0 dollars to the Superior Court of Guam as a contingency fund for the Presiding Judge.

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Bill No. 750 Substitute by Committee on Federal, Foreign and Legal Affairs

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM: Section 1. A new Chapter V is added to Title II of the Code of Civil Procedure to read:

"CHAPTER V

JUDICIAL BUILDING FUND

Judicial Building Fund. There is hereby created a Section 189. Judicial Building Fund for the Superior Court of Guam. All money collected for the Fund shall be deposited in interest-earning bank accounts as provided in Sections 189.2 and 189.4 of this Chapter. All income and interest earned on Section 189.1 Fund Sources. such income received by the Superior Court of Guam for the filing of specifically imposition of fines, which is not documents, or appropriated for other purposes shall be deposited in the Judicial Building Fund. All interest income earned by the Superior Court from interest bearing bank accounts not part of the Judicial Building Fund shall likewise be deposited in the Judicial Building Fund as provided in Section 189.4 of this Chapter.

18Section 189.2.Separation of Accounts.The Superior Court of19Guam shall establish an account or accounts for the Judicial Building20Fund, separate and apart from that of the Government of Guam21General Fund accounts and the existing accounts of the Superior

Court. The new account or accounts established for the Fund together with the interest earned thereon shall be for the sole purpose of financing the planning, construction, furnishing and equipment of a new Judicial Building for the Superior Court of Guam, and shall be used for no other purpose.

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Section 189.3. Reporting Requirements. The Judicial Building Fund shall be under the stewardship of the Judicial Council. The Judicial Council shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, full statements of accounts of all money received and expended out of the account or accounts of the Building Fund, and shall transmit such report to the Legislature each fiscal year, together with the Budget Request of the Superior Court for the ensuing fiscal year.

Section 189.4. Interest Bearing Accounts. The Superior Court of Guam is hereby authorized to deposit money in any of its accounts other than those established pursuant to Section 189.2 of this Chapter into interest-earning checking or savings accounts. All interest so earned shall be withdrawn from the checking or savings accounts and deposited into the account or accounts of the Judicial Building Fund at the end of each calendar quarter. A report of all interest so earned and deposited into the Judicial Building Fund shall be transmitted to the Legislature at the end of each fiscal year.

The Judicial Council is Section 189.5. Authorization to borrow. 22 authorized by this Section to enter into a loan agreement on behalf of 23 the Government of Guam for the sole purpose of financing the 24 planning, construction, furnishing and equipment of a new Judicial 25 Building and to secure such loan by proceeds from the Judicial 26 The Judicial Council shall enter into such an Building Fund. 27 agreement subject to the concurrence of the Governor in writing and 28 the Legislature by resolution, and the members shall not incur any 29 personal liability for any loan agreement lawfully entered into. The 30 loan agreement shall become effective as of the date the Legislature 31 concurs by resolution. 12 GCA §2103(k) shall not apply to the loan 32 obtained pursuant to this Chapter. 33

Section 189.6. Legislative Appropriations. The Legislature may, from time to time, appropriate funds from the General Fund for deposit in the Judicial Building Fund. Such funds, when appropriated, shall be paid directly to the Judicial Building Fund.

Section 189.7. Review Agent. The Judiciary shall retain an independent Value Engineering Consultant as their review agent for the purpose of ascertaining cost effectiveness and other related goals provided by value engineering studies."

Section 2. A new Section 13525.1 of the Government Code of Guam Is added to read:

Exchange of land in lieu of cash payment. "Section 13525.1. (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 13525, owners of Lots located in Agana within the boundaries of O'Brien Drive, Route No. 7, Esperanza Street and the government property occupied by the Superior Court of Guam, which area is required for the construction of a court house parking lot, may apply to the Director of Land Management for government-owned land to be exchanged, totally or partially, in lieu of cash payment, for the land required by the If government-owned land has been designated for Judiciary. development or agricultural usage as identified in the Guam Public Land Use Plan and is not otherwise needed for public purposes, the Director of Land Management, with the approval of the Governor, may make an exchange of such property for cash to equalize respective values of such property upon approval of the Legislature by resolution.

(b) With the approval of the Governor and the Legislature by resolution, and the owner thereof, the Director of Land Management may for a period to expire July 1, 1987, exchange government-owned land which has been designated for development or agricultural usage as identified in the Guam Public Land Use Plan and is not otherwise needed for a public purpose for privately owned land of equal value located within the boundaries of O'Brien Drive, Route No. 7, Esperanza Street and the government property currently occupied by the Superior Court of Guam.

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(c) The Attorney General shall formulate such rules, regulations and procedures as are necessary to effectuate the aims and intent of this section, and no exchange of land shall be consummated until the regulations and procedures hereby authorized shall have been adopted and promulgated pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Adjudication Act. Such regulations and procedures shall include, among others, a provision that a public hearing on the proposed exchange of land be conducted by the Director, notice of which shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Guam at least ten (10) days before the hearing, which notice shall contain a brief description of the proposed exchange, including the values of the properties to be exchanged and the purpose or purposes for which the private land is to be acquired.

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30 31 (d) Obligations due the Government of Guam by owners of property within the boundaries described in Subsections (a) and (b) of this section may be wholly or partially offset in an amount equal to the value of such land exchanged. Such obligations may include real estate tax liability, gross receipts tax liability, interest due the Government of Guam on any of the aforementioned obligations, plus rental or lease of Government of Guam land for agricultural or other purposes.

(e) Fractional lots within the boundaries of the property described in Subsections (a) and (b) of this section which have not been taxed within the past five years shall be assumed to have a tax obligation to the Government of Guam based on current fair market value of the land at the time of the exchange.

(f) Any exchange of government-owned land after the effective date of this subsection in violation of the publication provisions of subsection (b) of this section shall be invalid and any deed of exchange executed or recorded under any such violation shall be void."

32 Section 3. The sum of **Lan-Thousand Bellate (110,000)** is hereby 33 appropriated from the General Fund to the Superior Court of Guam as a 34 contingency fund for the Presiding Judge.

The sum of Two Hundred Eighty-five Thousand Dollars Section 4. (\$285,000) is appropriated from the General Fund to the Commissioner's Council Municipal Fund for fiscal year 1985 operations, prorated at \$15,000 per Commissioner.

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The introductory sentence of 4 GCA Section 8122 (b) is Section 5. repealed and reenacted to read:

"(b). Automatic increases in annuity. Effective July 1, 1984 any member who retired from service since September 1, 1972 and is entitled to benefits under this Chapter shall receive a One Hundred Dollar (\$100) automatic increase in his annual annuity, and shall receive each year on the anniversary date of his retirement or entitlement, an automatic increase in his annual annuity, to be computed as follows:"

The introductory sentence of 4 GCA Section 8135 (b) is Section 6. repealed and reenacted to read: 15

"(b). Automatic increase in annuity. Effective July 1, 1984, any 16 survivor annuitant who first becomes entitled to receive benefits since 17 September 1, 1972 and is entitled to benefits under this Chapter shall 18 receive a One Hundred Dollar (\$100) automatic increase on his annual 19 annuity, and shall receive each year on the anniversary date of his 20 retirement or entitlement, an automatic increase in his annual annuity, 21 to be computed as follows:" 22

The amount of Fifty-three Thousand, Seven Hundred Section 7. 23 Fifty-nine Dollars and Eight Cents (\$53,759.08) is hereby appropriated from 24 the General Fund to the Commissioner's Council for the purpose of paying 25 Commissioners, Assistant for payments 26 annual leave lump sum Commissioners, Administrative Assistants, and Municipal Clerks. 27

Agana Pool Improvements. The Director, Department of Section 8. 28 Parks and Recreation, is hereby directed to upgrade, repair and otherwise 29 improve the Agana Swimming Pool and take whatever measures are necessary 30 to eliminate hazardous conditions and protect the public from injury or 31 disease, specifically, to resurface the bottom of the pool; to provide 32 non-slip surfaces in the bathhouses; to enclose the chlorine and filter 33 facility; to install a water spray system to curtail the growth of algae; to 34

install an automatic chemical controller to maintain clean water; to install automatic-close drain valves, to install a hollow block wall around the pool to prevent unwanted debris from entering the pool and contaminating the water; and to take any other action necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Section.

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Section 9. There is hereby appropriated from the General Fund the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the purpose of implementing the repairs and improvements required by Section 8 of this Act.