

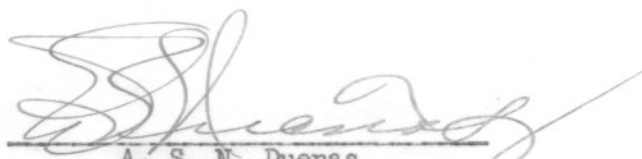
FIRST GUAM LEGISLATURE
1951 (FIRST) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR


This is to certify that Bill Number 17, "An Act delegating additional duties, functions and powers to the Board on Utility Rates in Guam, to determine and recommend schedules of taxi rates, and for other purposes", was on the 14th day of August, 1951, duly and regularly passed.


A. B. Won Pat
Speaker


Attested:


A. S. N. Duenas
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this 21st day
of August, 1951 at 4:11 o'clock P. M.


R. S. Herman
Secretary of Guam

APPROVED:


CARLTON SKINNER
Governor of Guam


Dated: August 29, 1951

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GOVERNMENT OF GUAM

1 Bill No. 17

2 *Public Law 28*

Introduced by


Manuel F. L. Guerrero
(by request)

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4 An Act delegating additional duties,
5 functions and powers to the Board on
6 Utility Rates in Guam, to determine
and recommend schedules of taxi rates,
and for other purposes.

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

8 Section 1. The Board on Utility Rates in Guam created and
9 established in accordance with the provisions of Public Law No. 1, *FIRST*
10 *GUAM LEGISLATURE, FIRST SPECIAL SESSION,*
~~Eleventh Guam Congress~~, approved December 21, 1950, is hereby charged

11 with the following additional duties, functions and powers:

12 a. To formulate, establish, and publish, and from
13 time to time to review and where necessary to revise,
14 subject to the approval of the Governor, a fair and
15 reasonable schedule of taxi rates for all types of
16 taxicab fares. Such schedules may provide for a
17 schedule of rates by the mile, by the zone, or such
18 other method as the Board may deem appropriate and
19 desirable, as well as rates for a stand-by waiting
20 charge.

21 b. The Board shall annually, and may in its discretion
22 more often, upon complaint or upon its own motion,
23 review and recommend revision of such schedule of rates
24 as may at any time be in effect.

25 c. The Board shall fix and publish, subject to the
26 approval of the Governor, a comprehensive schedule
27 of taxi rates not later than ninety days after the
28 enactment of this Act.

29 d. The Board shall have the power to require the instal-
30 lation of standard taxicab fare meters in all taxicabs
31 and may, upon appropriation being made therefore, purchase
32 said meters for resale in installments or rental to taxicab

1 licensees.

2 Section 2. The various departments of the Government of
3 Guam shall furnish the Board all available information concerning any
4 phase of the taxicab business in their possession upon request by the
5 Chairman.

6 Section 3. The Board is authorized to hold under such
7 reasonable rules as it may adopt such open or closed hearings as it
8 may deem necessary or desirable in order to afford interested indivi-
9 duals, businesses, and corporations an opportunity to appear and
10 present evidence having a bearing upon any of the taxi rates in effect
11 or under consideration, and with the unanimous consent of its members
12 the Board may subpoena witnesses, books, and records pertinent to its
13 duties.

14 Section 4. Every approved schedule of taxi rates or modi-
15 fication thereof shall become effective on the first day of the month
16 following the date of publication thereof.

17 Section 5. Every person who wilfully and knowingly charges,
18 receives, or contracts for, or who agrees or promises to charge or
19 receive any money or thing of value in excess of the legal taxi rates
20 established by the Board on Utility Rates for or in consideration of
21 any taxi service of whatever nature, shall, upon conviction, be guilty
22 of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more
23 than \$500.00 or by imprisonment of not less than 30 days nor more than
24 six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

25 Section 6. This act shall become effective upon the date
26 of its approval by the Governor.