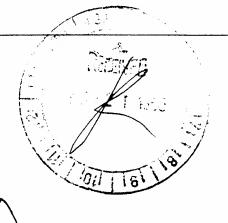


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MAR 20 1990



The Honorable Joe T. San Agustin Speaker, Twentieth Guam Legislature Post Office Box CB-1 Agana. Guam 96910

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 896, which I have signed into law this date as

Public Law No. 20-135.

Sincerely.

Governor

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Attachment

TWENTIETH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1990 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 896 (LS), "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73111 OF CHAPTER 73, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO FIRE PREVENTION," was on the 2nd day of March, 1990, duly and regularly passed.

JOE T. SAN AGUSTIN Speaker

Attested:

PILAR C. LUJAN

Senator and Legislative Secretary

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APPROVED:

JOSÉPH F. ADA Governor of Guam

Date: MAR 20 1990

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TWENTIETH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1990 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 896 (LS) As substituted by the Committee on Rules 2/28/90.

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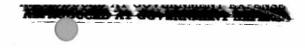
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- F. R. Santos
- T. V. C. Tanaka
- A. R. Unpingco

AN ACT TO SECTION 73111 **AMEND** CHAPTER 73. 10, TITLE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO FIRE PREVENTION.

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set out in the Uniform Fire Code shall apply in Guam in the absence of 10 specific provisions of this Chapter."

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TWENTIETH GUAM LEGISLATURE 1989 (FIRST) Regular Session

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AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION \$73111 OF CHAPTER 73, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED (Section 4, Public Law 17-78) RELATIVE TO FIRE PREVENTION.

Section 1. §73111 of Chapter 73, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated 1 (Section 4 of P. L. 17-78) is hereby amended to read: §73111. [Fire Prevention Code] Uniform Fire Code. 3 Inspection of premises [and areas authorized by this Chapter] 4 areas and provisions pertaining to prevention of fires or 5 spread, thereof, shall be in accordance with the [Fire 6 Prevention Code issued by the American Insurance Association] 7 Uniform Fire Code issued by the International Conference of 8 Building Officials and the Western Fire Chief's Association. 9 Standards and requirements for fire prevention as set out in 10 [said Fire Prevention Code] the Uniform Fire Code, shall apply 11 in Guam in the absence of specific provisions of this Chapter. 12

January 4, 1990

The Honorable Joe T. San Agustin Speaker, Twentieth Guam Legislature 163 Chalan Santo Papa Agana, Guam 96910

VIA: Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Dear Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Judiciary and Criminal Justice, to which was referred Bill No. 896, wishes to report its findings, recommendations and UNANIMOUS DECISION FOR PASSAGE of Bill No. 896 as introduced.

A copy of the Committee Report and all pertinent documents are attached for your information.

Sincerely,

PILAR C. LUJAN

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Committee on Judiciary and Criminal Justice

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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

COMMITTEE REPORT ON

BILL NO. 896 -AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73111 OF CHAPTER 73, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED (SECTION 4, PUBLIC LAW 17-78) RELATIVE TO FIRE PREVENTION.

PREFACE

The Judiciary and Criminal Justice Committee convened at 9:00 a.m., Friday, October 20, 1989 in the Legislative Session Hall at Agana, Guam to hear testimony on Bill 896. Committee members in attendance, alongside of Chairwoman Pilar C. Lujan were Vice-Chairman Francisco R. Santos, and Senators Ted S. Nelson and Edward R. Duenas.

TESTIMONY

Fire Chief Francisco Lizama appeared before the Committee urging passage of Bill 896. Mayor Protusach of Agana Heights signed the hearing register but was not present to testify orally.

Briefly pointing out that problems have existed between the Department of Public Works and the Guam Fire Department in implementing compatible building codes, the Fire Chief testified that Bill 896 would "alleviate" such problems.

The Chief noted that the existing fire prevention code, issued thirteen years ago, is incompatible with the Uniform Building Code employed by the Department of Public Works both presently and for the past several years.

Because there are two different codes, the Chief cited that building projects often times are hampered from proceeding due to different code interpretations.

"The Uniform Fire Code is published by the same Association that publishes the Uniform Building Code," the Chief testified. The adoption of such a code would eliminate existing problems.

The Chief added that the existing fire code's reference guidelines are outdated with no forceable updates and the Territory should provide residents with a new code, given the tremendous growth in construction activity.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Striving to ensure that residents are provided with efficient, effective government services, the Committee recommends passage of Bill 896.

If passed, the measure would facilitate code compatability for the benefit of all those who seek to construct a residence, structure, or building.

Moreover, given the antiquity of the existing fire code---over 13 years old---a new fire code would bring up to date specifications and requirements for greater safety.

The Committee recommends passge of Bill 896 as introduced.

TWENTIETH GUAM LEGISLATURE FIRST (1989) REGULAR SESSION

Bill No. 896

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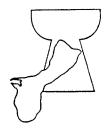
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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Chairperson, Committee on Judiciary & Criminal

August 29, 1989

Justice

FROM:

Chairperson, Committee on Rules

SUBJECT:

Referrals - Bill Nos. 798, 799, 845, 850, \$896

and 898.

The above Bills are referred to your Committee. It is recommended you schedule a Public Hearing at your earliest convenience.

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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

PUBLIC HEARING OCTOBER 20, 1989 LEGISLATIVE SESSION HALL 9:00_AM

Bill No. 896 An act to amend Section §73111 of Chapter 73, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated (Section 4, Public Law 17-78) relative to fire prevention.

JOINTLY WITH COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS:

- Bill No. 797 An act to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars from the General Fund to the Department of Law to to fund the legal services required concerning the Guam Shipping Rate Review Board's effort on the Guam Rate Agreement.
- Bill No. 839 An act to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars to the Department of Law for the purpose of funding the legal services required relative to the Guam Shipping Rate Review Board's effort on the Guam Rate Agreement.
- Bill No. 946 An act to appropriate the sum of Three Million One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Dollars from the General Fund for the purchase of high rise fire apparatus and other critical fire equipment and vehicles, and providing funding for additional fire fighters and expansion of fire stations.
- Bill No. 102 An act to establish a Supreme Court of Guam and to reorganize the Judicial Branch of Guam.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE
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BILL NO. 896 - AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION §73111 OF CHAPTER 73, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED (SECTION 4, PUBLIC LAW 17-78) RELATIVE TO FIRE PREVENTION.

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TESTIMONY ON BILL NO. 896

On behalf of the men and women of the Guam Fire Department, we want to thank you and your committee for allowing us the opportunity to comment on Bill 896 and Bill 946.

Bill 896 if passed, would provide the Guam Fire Department with a Fire Code that would alleviate the problem that has long existed between officials from Department of Public Works and the Guam Fire Department. That problem is code compatibility.

The existing Fire Prevention Code of 1976 issued by the American Insurance Association, is not compatible with the Uniform Building Code that has been the enforcing code of Public Works for the past several years. Often times, businesses and clients spend countless numbers of days dormant on proposed projects due to different code interpretations. The passage of Bill 896 would eliminate this problem. The Uniform Fire Code is published by the same Association that publishes the Uniform Building Code. Another very important point to consider is, that the reference guidelines of the Fire Prevention Code are outdated with no forceable updates. Guam is now experiencing a "Boom" in the construction industry and we must provide them with a code that is viable for all concerned.

In summary, we strongly support the passage of Bill 896 and we look forward to favorable results from the members of this committee.

Thank you.

F.C. LIZAMA, Fire Chief