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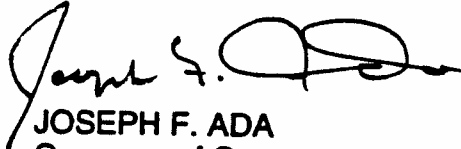
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The Honorable Joe T. San Agustin  
Speaker, Twenty-Second Guam Legislature  
155 Hesler Street  
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Dear Mr. Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 344 which I have signed into law this date as  
Public Law 22-62.

Sincerely yours,

  
JOSEPH F. ADA  
Governor of Guam

Attachment



Commonwealth Now!


TWENTY-SECOND GUAM LEGISLATURE  
1993 (FIRST) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR


This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 344 (COR), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 47 TO TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO ESTABLISH A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL PRE-MEDICAL PROGRAM AND A PRE-MEDICAL PROGRAM AND A DOCTOR OF MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM; TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL; AND TO AMEND SUBPARAGRAPH (b) OF §12311, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, ON LICENSING NURSES BY ENDORSEMENT," was on the 19th day of November, 1993, duly and regularly passed.

  
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JOE T. SAN AGUSTIN  
Speaker

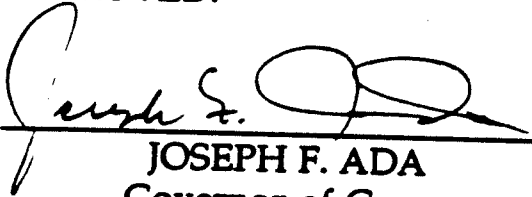
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PILAR C. LUJAN  
Senator and Legislative Secretary

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This Act was received by the Governor this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1993, at  
10:06 o'clock A.M.

  
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Therese F. Duenas  
Assistant Staff Officer  
Governor's Office

APPROVED:

  
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JOSEPH F. ADA  
Governor of Guam

Date: DEC 06 1993

Public Law No. 22-62

TWENTY-SECOND GUAM LEGISLATURE  
1993 (FIRST) Regular Session

**Bill No. 344 (COR)**

As substituted by the Committee on  
Education and as further substituted  
by the Committee on Rules

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 47 TO TITLE 17,  
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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL; AND TO  
AMEND SUBPARAGRAPH (b) OF §12311, TITLE 10,

**GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, ON LICENSING  
NURSES BY ENDORSEMENT.**

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

**2 Section 1. A new Chapter 47 is hereby added to Title 17, Guam Code  
3 Annotated, to read:**

**4 "CHAPTER 47**

**5 PRE-MEDICAL PROGRAMS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

**6 §47101. Name of chapter. This chapter shall be referred to as the  
7 "Access to Medical Training and Education Act" or AMTE.**

**8 §47102. Legislative findings. The Legislature finds that there continues  
9 to be an urgent need for physicians to serve Guam and the region. The Guam  
10 Memorial Hospital and other health organizations on the island continue to  
11 find it very difficult to hire physicians to serve the health needs of the people  
12 of Guam. In order to meet the demands of health care for the island, the  
13 Legislature believes that it is most effective to identify potential physician  
14 candidates during their high school years so that the necessary support for  
15 the candidate's success in a pre-medical program and in the application to a  
16 school of medicine can be enhanced. Therefore, the Legislature herein  
17 establishes the following AMTE programs: a High School Pre-Medical  
18 Program at the Department of Education, a Pre-Medical Program at the  
19 University of Guam, and a Doctor of Medicine Fellowship at the University  
20 of Guam.**

**21 §47103. High School Pre-Medical Program. (a) The Department of  
22 Education shall develop and implement a Pre-Medical Program curriculum  
23 for the island's public high schools. Such program shall include the following:**

1           1. Identifying and recruiting students who show interest in  
2 science and health-related fields;

3           2. Granting educational credits for course work during the junior  
4 and senior years of high school;

5           3. Providing practicum experience for each student participating  
6 in such program not only during the school year but also in the summer  
7 months as a summer intern at Guam Memorial Hospital or at Public  
8 Health facilities;

9           4. Providing awareness of the health care needs of Guam and its  
10 neighbors; and

11           5. Providing guidance and counseling so that the student is  
12 prepared to enroll in the Pre-Medical Program at the University of  
13 Guam.

14           (b) The Director of Education shall no later than three (3) months from  
15 the effective date of this chapter, provide a written report to the Chairperson  
16 of the Board of Education, the Governor of Guam, and the Speaker of the  
17 Legislature on such Program's curriculum which shall include a description of  
18 the curriculum, financial requirements, and the date of implementation of the  
19 Program within the public high schools of Guam. In no event, however, shall  
20 the implementation of the High School Pre-Medical Program in the high  
21 schools of Guam be later than academic year 1994-1995.

22           §47104.1. Pre-Medical Program at the University of Guam. The  
23 University of Guam (the "University") shall develop and implement a Pre-  
24 Medical Program curriculum. The curriculum's objective shall be to prepare a  
25 student at the University to meet all the requirements necessary to apply to  
26 professional schools of medicine, to prepare for the standardized medical  
27 school aptitude test, and to provide opportunities for awareness of the health

1 care needs of Guam and the region. The University shall work in  
2 coordination with the AMTE Council in developing and implementing such a  
3 Pre-Medical Program curriculum at the University, which curriculum shall be  
4 adopted by the University no later than academic year 1994-1995.

5 **§47104.2 AMTE Fellowship Council.** There is hereby created the  
6 AMTE Fellowship Council (the "AMTE Council"), the general purpose of  
7 which shall be to plan, develop, implement and manage the Pre-Medical  
8 Programs and the Doctor of Medicine Fellowship program as provided in  
9 this chapter in order to attract, select, orient, and assist qualified high school  
10 and college students to become physicians in Guam. The AMTE Council shall  
11 convene within thirty (30) days of the enactment of this chapter to implement  
12 its provisions.

13 **§47104.3. Members of AMTE Council.** The AMTE Council shall be  
14 composed of the following:

- 15 (1) The Administrator of the Guam Memorial Hospital;
- 16 (2) The Director of Public Health and Social Services;
- 17 (3) The Chairman of the Board of Medical Examiners;
- 18 (4) The President of the Guam Medical Society;
- 19 (5) The President of the University;
- 20 (6) The Director of Mental Health and Substance Abuse; and
- 21 (7) The Director of the Guam Health Planning and Development  
22 Agency.

23 **§47104.4. Personnel.** The Office of the President of the University shall  
24 provide logistics and personnel necessary for the operation of the AMTE  
25 Council.

26 **§47104.5. Administrator of the AMTE Council.** There is hereby  
27 established within the office of the President of the University the AMTE

1 Fellowship Administrator, full- or part-time, if needed, who shall work in  
2 conjunction with the President of the University in the administration of the  
3 Pre-Medical Program at the University. The AMTE Administrator shall work  
4 under the President of the University and the AMTE Council to develop,  
5 organize, and administer the Pre-Medical Program and the Doctor of  
6 Medicine Fellowship Program at the University. The AMTE Fellowship  
7 Administrator shall work closely with the President, the administrators, and  
8 the deans of the University in the preparation of the curriculum, planning of  
9 schedules, and assuring adequate instruction in the Program. The AMTE  
10 Fellowship Administrator shall be entitled to government of Guam benefits  
11 and shall serve at the pleasure of the AMTE Council. The AMTE Council  
12 shall set the rate and term of pay of such administrator and may provide the  
13 same by contract.

14 §47104.6. Financial assistance eligibility. Financial assistance may be  
15 awarded by the AMTE Council to eligible students enrolled in the Pre-  
16 Medical Program at the University who are:

- 17 (a) Bona fide residents of Guam for at least ten (10) years;
- 18 (b) Citizens or permanent residents of the United States;
- 19 (c) Seniors or graduates of an accredited high school with an overall  
20 grade point average of not less than 3.0 on a 4.0 scale;
- 21 (d) Admitted to the University of Guam in accordance with its  
22 admission policies, including advance placement for high school students;
- 23 (e) Agreed and bound to return to Guam to practice medicine or work  
24 in a health service field after successfully completing his or her medical  
25 training.

26 §47104.6.1. Continued eligibility. To be eligible to continue to receive  
27 financial assistance under such program, the student must remain in good

1 academic standing for each academic year given assistance under such  
2 program.

3 **§47104.7. Obligations.** (a) A student who for any reason is terminated  
4 from the Pre-Medical Program shall repay to the AMTE Medical Fund as  
5 established in this chapter an amount equal to the total financial assistance  
6 received by the student within five (5) years of such termination from the  
7 Program with interest at the rate of twelve (12%) percent per annum.

8 (b) A student who does complete the Pre-Medical Program but is not  
9 selected for the Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program as established  
10 therein or does not pursue for any reason application into the Doctor of  
11 Medicine Fellowship Program shall repay to the AMTE Medical Fund an  
12 amount equal to the total financial assistance received by the student. In the  
13 alternative, in lieu of monetary repayment, a student may satisfy his financial  
14 obligations herein by employment with the government of Guam at the rate  
15 of one (1) year of employment for each academic year or fraction thereof that  
16 the student received financial assistance.

17 **§47104.8. Financial assistance.** (a) Students in the Pre-Medical School  
18 Program at the University must complete an application form provided by the  
19 AMTE Council and satisfy all the requirements set out in §47103.6 of this  
20 chapter.

21 (b) Students enrolled in the Pre-Medical School Program and selected  
22 for financial assistance by the AMTE Council shall be entitled to the following  
23 benefits:

24 (1) All costs of tuition, fees and books for a period of not more  
25 than four (4) academic years;

26 (2) A monthly stipend according to the following schedule:  
27 Freshmen, two hundred dollars (\$200) per month; sophomores, three



1           hundred dollars (\$300) per month; juniors, four hundred dollars (\$400)  
2           per month; and seniors, five hundred dollars (\$500) per month.

3           (c) As a condition for continuing full entitlement to the benefits  
4           provided in this section, the recipient must maintain full-time enrollment with  
5           a minimum of twelve (12) semester credits per semester, not including the  
6           summer session, and good academic standing with an overall grade point  
7           average of 3.0 or better for each academic year. No student may receive  
8           benefits beyond four (4) academic years.

9           **§47105. Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program.** There is hereby  
10          established a Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program under the AMTE  
11          Council for the following purposes:

12          (1) To provide physicians for Guam Memorial Hospital, the  
13          Department of Public Health and Social Services, the Department of Mental  
14          Health and Substance Abuse, and other health organizations in Guam and in  
15          the region;

16          (2) To develop local medical personnel who are sensitive to Guam's  
17          cultural diversity.

18          **§47105.1. Administration.** The Fellowship Program shall be  
19          administered by the AMTE Council, and all such fellowships shall be granted  
20          by the AMTE Council.

21          **§47105.2. Fund.** There is hereby established a Physicians Fellowship  
22          Fund, hereinafter referred to as the "AMTE Fellowship Fund" from which  
23          fellowships and financial assistance granted pursuant to this chapter as well  
24          as the cost for administering the Programs shall be funded. The AMTE  
25          Fellowship Fund shall be kept separate and apart from any other fund and  
26          shall be administered by the AMTE Council, which is authorized to accept  
27          gifts, devises, bequests, donations, and all other kinds of contributions for the

1 use of the AMTE Fellowship Fund. The AMTE Fellowship Fund shall be  
2 funded by annual appropriations by the Legislature to the extent made  
3 necessary by the financial assistance and fellowships granted pursuant to this  
4 chapter. The funds shall be administered by the AMTE Council and all  
5 monies appropriated for financial assistance and fellowships pursuant to this  
6 chapter and all repayment of such financial assistance and fellowships given  
7 under this chapter shall be paid directly to the AMTE Fellowship Fund.  
8 Within one hundred twenty (120) days after the close of its fiscal year, the  
9 AMTE Council shall transmit to the Governor, the Speaker of the  
10 Legislature, and the President of the University an annual report of the  
11 expenditures of the AMTE Fellowship Fund, including, but not limited to, a  
12 balance sheet, a statement of receipts and expenses, a general description of  
13 the income sources and the expenses of the AMTE Fellowship Fund.

14 §47105.2.1. Investment. Reserves of the AMTE Fellowship Fund in  
15 excess of requirements for current operations may be invested and reinvested  
16 by the AMTE Council. At its discretion, the AMTE Council may designate its  
17 Chairman or an investment committee consisting of two (2) or more AMTE  
18 Council members to supervise this function. The AMTE Council shall have  
19 full power to manage the investments as in its considered judgment seems  
20 most appropriate to the requirements and objectives of the Fund. All  
21 proceeds and income from investments, of whatever nature, shall be credited  
22 to the account of the AMTE Fellowship Fund.

23 §47105.3. Regulations. The AMTE Council, subject to the provisions of  
24 the Administrative Adjudication Law, shall promulgate regulations pursuant  
25 to and not inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter.

26 §47105.4. Submission of names. The names of all students granted  
27 fellowships under this chapter shall be submitted to the Governor, the

1 Speaker of the Legislature, and the President of the University no later than  
2 January 15th of each calendar year.

3 **§47105.5. Application forms and notices.** The AMTE Council shall  
4 prescribe by regulation necessary application forms and procedures for all  
5 financial assistance fellowships authorized by this chapter.

6 **§47105.6. Prohibition.** No money may be expended for awards under  
7 this chapter unless such awards are authorized by the AMTE Council by  
8 resolution. Any person who disburses or certifies any expenditure from the  
9 AMTE Fellowship Fund without such authorization shall be personally liable  
10 for the restitution of such expenditure to the AMTE Fellowship Fund.

11 **§47105.7. Discharge of fellowship obligations upon death or disability.**  
12 The AMTE Council may, upon the death or disability of a student who has  
13 received any financial assistance under the provisions of this chapter,  
14 discharge in full or in part all such student's obligations for the repayment of  
15 such assistance.

16 **§47105.8. Award of physician fellowship: selection.** The AMTE  
17 Council may select up to five (5) applicants per academic year for fellowship  
18 awards. The names shall be submitted to the Governor, the Speaker of the  
19 Legislature, and President of the University no later than January 15th of  
20 each year. With the submission of the names to the Legislature, the AMTE  
21 Council shall also request the necessary appropriation to fully fund the  
22 fellowships granted for the academic year.

23 **§47105.8.1. Physician fellowship eligibility.** An applicant for a  
24 fellowship must:

- 25 (a) Be a bona fide resident of Guam for at least ten (10) years;  
26 (b) Be a citizen of the United States or a permanent resident;

1 (c) Provide proof of acceptance into a school of medicine at an  
2 accredited institution of higher education in the United States;

3 An applicant need not have gone through the High School Pre-Medical  
4 Program or the Pre-Medical Program as provided in this chapter to be  
5 eligible for a physician fellowship; provided, however, that a student who has  
6 enrolled in and successfully completed the High School Pre-Medical Program  
7 or Pre-Medical Program or both shall be given preference over other  
8 applicants.

9 §47105.8.2. Physician fellowship benefits. Students awarded a  
10 physician fellowship pursuant to this chapter shall receive the following  
11 benefits:

12 (a) All costs of tuition, fees, and books for a period of not more than  
13 four (4) academic years;

14 (b) A monthly stipend of up to Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) as  
15 determined by the Council for a period of not more than four (4) academic  
16 years;

17 (c) Transportation from Guam to the student's school of medicine,  
18 Return transportation to Guam will be paid for the student after the  
19 successful completion of the student's medical training.

20 §47105.9. Physician fellowship obligations: (a) A fellow who attends  
21 medical school under the physician fellowship program shall agree to return  
22 to work for the government of Guam within three (3) months after the  
23 completion of the course of studies for which the fellowship was granted;  
24 provided, however, that if the fellow continues in a residency or internship  
25 program or in an area of specialty, then the AMTE Council may defer the  
26 fellow's obligations until three (3) months after said residency, internship, or  
27 specialty training is completed.

1 (b) A fellow will lose entitlement to the fellowship if he or she fails to  
2 maintain good standing as a full time student in the approved medical school.

3 (c) A fellow who does not successfully complete his or her medical  
4 education within four (4) academic years shall pay back all monies expended  
5 on his or her behalf to the Physicians Medical Fund with interest at twelve  
6 percent (12%) per annum within five (5) years of his or her termination from  
7 the medical program.

8 (d) Upon the successful completion of medical school and any area of  
9 specialty training as approved by the AMTE Council, fellows are required to  
10 return to Guam within three (3) months of completion of said medical  
11 training and are required to provide two (2) years of service to the  
12 government of Guam for each year of fellowship. This obligation shall be in  
13 addition to any other obligations under the Pre-Medical Program.

14 **§47105.10. Obligations of the government of Guam.** The government  
15 of Guam shall make available a position at the Guam Memorial Hospital, the  
16 Department of Public Health and Social Service, or any other government  
17 health-related facility to a returning fellow within three (3) months of the  
18 completion of his or her medical training as determined by the AMTE  
19 Council. The Administrator of the AMTE Council shall be responsible for  
20 coordinating the availability of returning fellows and openings within the  
21 government of Guam in the area of the returning fellow's medical training  
22 for placement in the government of Guam. The failure of the government of  
23 Guam to make available a medical position within the government of Guam  
24 to a returning fellow shall relieve the fellow of any and all financial  
25 obligations and service commitment to the government of Guam.

26 **§47105.11. Budget and compensation.** The budget for financial  
27 assistance, salaries, stipend, travel and operational requirements of the

1 AMTE Council as provided in this chapter shall be submitted for the Fiscal  
2 Year 1994 and annually thereafter by the AMTE Council for approval by the  
3 Legislature. The Legislature shall appropriate funds to the AMTE Council  
4 which shall disburse them pursuant to its directives and policies. Unexpended  
5 funds shall be maintained in a continuing budget appropriation for use by the  
6 AMTE Council in succeeding budget cycles.

7 §47106. Service on Guam after employment with the government of  
8 Guam. In meeting the obligation to repay the financial assistance given in the  
9 Pre-Medical and Fellowship Programs established in this chapter, the  
10 following rules shall apply: For each year of the Pre-Medical Program, one  
11 (1) year's service on Guam; for each year of the Fellowship Program, two (2)  
12 years' service on Guam. Repayment by service on Guam shall require that  
13 the first two (2) years shall be with the government of Guam and thereafter  
14 may be in another medical facility or activity on Guam.

15 §47107. Definition of physician. For purposes of this chapter,  
16 "physician" means the holder of a doctor of medicine (M.D.) degree.

17 §47108. Reevaluation. The AMTE Council shall reevaluate the  
18 continued need for the provisions of this chapter within ten (10) years of the  
19 date of its enactment and shall report in writing its findings and  
20 recommendations to the Legislature.

21 §47109. Severability. If any provision of this chapter is found to be  
22 illegal or invalid, said finding shall be severable and shall not affect the  
23 validity of the remaining provisions of this chapter.

24 Section 2. Appropriation for emergency services. Twenty Thousand  
25 Dollars (\$20,000) are hereby appropriated from the General Fund to Guam  
26 Memorial Hospital Authority to retain consultants to conduct a site survey

1 and make cost estimates on renovating and expanding the Emergency  
2 Medical Services Department of Guam Memorial Hospital.

3 Section 3. Subparagraph (b) of §12311, Title 10, Guam Code  
4 Annotated, is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

5 “(b) By endorsement. The Board shall issue a license to  
6 practice as a registered nurse without examination to an applicant  
7 who meets the following requirements by having:

8 (1) Graduated from an accredited school of nursing which  
9 meets the Guam Nursing Education Program standards;

10 (2) Obtained an original license of practice as a registered  
11 nurse by examination;

12 (3) Been duly licensed and holding an active license as a  
13 registered nurse in another state or territory, or in the District of  
14 Columbia;

15 (4) Been engaged in the practice of nursing in another state  
16 or territory for at least five (5) years preceding the date of  
17 application; and

18 (5) Earned at least thirty (30) hours of continuing education  
19 credits in the field of nursing during the three (3) years preceding  
20 the date of application.”



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November 08, 1993

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**Madeleine F. Bordallo**  
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*The Honorable Joe T. San Agustin*  
**Speaker**  
*Twenty Second Guam Legislature*  
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*Dear Speaker San Agustin:*

*The Committee on Education, Twenty Second Guam Legislature, to which was referred Bill No. 344: "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 47 TO TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO ESTABLISH A HIGH SCHOOL PRE-MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, A PRE-MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, AND A DOCTOR OF MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM", does hereby recommend that Bill No. 344, as substituted by the Committee on Education, be favorably considered and passed by the Twenty-Second Guam Legislature.*

*Votes of the Committee members are as follows:*

To Pass	<u>8</u>
To Not Pass	<u>0</u>
Abstain	<u>0</u>
To Report Out	<u>3</u>
To Place in Inactive File	<u>0</u>
Off-Island	<u>0</u>
Not Available	<u>2</u>

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Madeleine F. Bordallo*  
**MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO**  
 Chairperson

*Enclosures*





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TWENTY-SECOND GUAM LEGISLATURE**

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**COMMITTEE REPORT  
ON  
BILL NO. 344**

**"AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 47 TO TITLE 17,  
GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO ESTABLISH A HIGH  
SCHOOL PRE MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, A PRE-MEDICAL  
PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, AND A  
DOCTOR OF MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP AT THE  
UNIVERSITY OF GUAM."**

The Committee on Education, Twenty Second Guam Legislature, conducted a Public Hearing on Bill No. 344, relative to the establishment of a pre-medical program at the Department of Education and the University of Guam and a doctor of medicine fellowship at the University of Guam, on Wednesday, March 24, 1993, and subsequently followed by a second hearing on Wednesday, May, 26, 1993, in the Public Hearing Room, Temporary Legislative Building, Agana, Guam.

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Senator Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Chairperson  
Senator Thomas C. Ada, Vice-Chairman  
Senator Carl T. C. Gutierrez  
Senator David L. G. Shimizu  
Senator Elizabeth P. Arriola  
Vice-Speaker John P. Aguon  
Senator Anthony C. Blaz

## **OTHER SENATORS PRESENT**

Senator Doris F. Brooks

**WITNESSES PRESENT:** Dr. R. B. Eusebio, M. D., Concerned Citizen; Dr. Franklin J. A. Quitugua, Director, Department of Education; Dr. Lawrence Kasperbauer, Chairman, Guam Territorial Board of Education; Conrad Stinson, Deputy Director, Department of Education; E. J. Cruz, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (presented written testimony of Mr. Peter John Camacho, Administrator of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority); Mary Gutierrez, President, Guam Parent-Teacher Association Congress; Dr. Wilfred P. Leon Guerrero, President, University of Guam; Dr. Remington Rose-Crossley, Dean, College of Arts and Liberal Science, University of Guam (presented written testimony of Mr. Jesus U. Torres, Chairman of the Board of Regents, University of Guam).

## **SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY**

Dr. Ricardo B. Eusebio  
Concerned Citizen

Dr. Ricardo B. Eusebio, a general surgeon at Naval Hospital, Guam, presented oral and written testimony as a concerned citizen to the Committee in support of Bill No. 344. Dr. Eusebio commenced his testimony by stating that Bill No. 344 addresses the critical health care manpower needs of our island. Dr. Eusebio also stated that increasing the supply of doctors on island would enable these doctors to spend more time with their patients and to encourage self improvement by allowing for more time for further education and training.

eventually benefitting the patients. Dr. Eusebio also stated that the proposed provision would provide educational support to prospective medical doctors. Dr. Eusebio concluded his comments by presenting several recommendations for improving the bill, these included: changing the term "pre-pre medical program" to reduce possible confusion; the 3.0 grade standard should be made more stringent because of the rigorous demands of medical school; the criteria for residency of applicants should be reduced; and a provision should be provided for local residents who are presently enrolled in a medical program at a credited university to receive assistance from this program.

Dr. Franklin J. A. Quitugua  
Director, Department of Education

Dr. Franklin J. A. Quitugua, Director of the Department of Education, presented oral and written testimony to the Committee respectfully opposing the passage of Bill No. 344. Dr. Quitugua stated that the Department believes that their current work in developing the secondary school curriculum would provide courses suitable for students inclined to pursue careers in the healing arts. Dr. Quitugua further stated that a more functional career guidance program in the middle and high school levels would properly help guide our students in the selection of relevant courses. Dr. Quitugua concluded by stating that the legislation is not necessary for the secondary school segment because the secondary school curriculum will satisfy the intent of the bill, thus the Department opposes the passage of the provision.

Dr. Lawrence Kasperbauer  
Chairman, Guam Territorial Board of Education

Dr. Lawrence Kasperbauer, Chairman of the Guam Territorial Board of Education, appeared before the Committee and presented oral testimony in support of the Department of Education's position on Bill No. 344. Dr. Kasperbauer emphasized that there does not need to be a law for such a program, and recommended that the local medical society continue to work closely with the public schools and the counselors.

Mr. Jesus U. Torres  
Chairman, Board of Regents

University of Guam

Mr. Jesus U. Torres, Chairman of the Board of Regents at the University of Guam, presented written testimony to the Committee in support of Bill No. 344, which was read by Dr. Remington Rose-Crossley, Dean of the College of Arts and Liberal Sciences at the University of Guam. In the testimony, Mr. Torres stated that the University supports Bill No. 344 because of the shortage of physicians practicing on Guam. Mr. Torres also mentioned that the University has been offering healing arts advisement programs since the early 1980's, and there are 7 UOG students in medical schools. Mr. Torres further stated that the provision would give the University support in strengthening its existing programs. Mr. Torres concluded his comments by stating that the AMTE Council should reconsider the need for a full-time AMTE Fellowship Administrator because the University has already developed and organized a program, rather a liaison faculty from the University may be utilized.

Dr. Wilfred P. Leon Guerrero  
President, University of Guam

Dr. Wilfred P. Leon Guerrero, President of the University of Guam, appeared before the Committee to respond to any questions or concerns the Committee may have in relation to the impact of the proposed measure with the University of Guam.

Mr. PeterJohn Camacho  
Hospital Administrator, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority

Mr. PeterJohn Camacho, Hospital Administrator of Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, presented written testimony to the Committee in support of the proposed measure, Bill No. 344, which was read by Mr. E. J. Cruz, also of Guam Memorial Hospital. In the testimony, Mr. Camacho commenced by acknowledging that the island has been experiencing difficulties in attracting and retaining medical practitioners and healthcare professionals. Mr. Camacho continued by recommending the following: that the island's medical practitioners and Guam Memorial Hospital be granted the opportunity to be involved as mentors for the students enrolled in the program; the AMTE program should explore all possible avenues to insure that recipients of the

program return to Guam to provide service to our community; need to ensure that Guam retains the professionals once they have completed their commitment to the island under the program; and the issue of malpractice insurance availability on the island needs to be addressed.

## COMMITTEE QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Senator Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Chairperson, commenced the questioning and the discussion with the witnesses. Senator Bordallo initially asked Dr. Quitugua if the ALPS(Alternative Learning Paths) Program would provide pre-medical programs for the high school students. Dr. Quitugua responded that the ALPS Program would provide career guidance courses for the island's high school students in different areas. Senator David L. G. Shimizu, the author of Bill No. 344, then presented comments on the provision, emphasizing the shortage of doctors on the island and the need to provide educational support and encouragement to the local people to pursue a career in the medical field. Senator Shimizu also expressed his disappointment in the Department of Education's position in opposing the measure. Dr. Franklin Quitugua stated that the provision in the bill referring to the Department of Education would legislate what DOE officials are presently working on, then recommended that, if the bill were to be passed, the provision in the bill referring to the Curriculum and Instruction Division of the Department be deleted because it is mandating an administrative responsibility.

Several other senators also posed questions and comments to the witnesses present during the hearing. Vice-Speaker John P. Aguon further emphasized the need for more doctors on the island and was pleased that the bill proposes to establish a policy on addressing the shortage on island. Vice Speaker Aguon continued by stating that members of the Legislature and the Department of Education should get together to generate ideas on how to encourage local students to enter into the medical profession. Senator Thomas C. Ada mentioned that he was surprised with the Department of Education's position in opposing the proposal, and stressed that Guam could start with Bill No. 344 and move ahead. Dr. Quitugua responded that increased school guidance counseling should aid in encouraging our students to pursue the field of medicine as well as other areas of studies. Senator Anthony C. Blaz commented that healthcare appears to be a worldwide concern; and further stated that a pre-medical

curriculum in the schools may not be necessary because DOE officials have stated that they are already working on addressing this concern within the public schools, and further stated that it may work at the University of Guam; but stressed that finding the money may be a problem. Senator Blaz concluded by stating that the Pro-Tech Scholarships may be geared toward the medical field.



## **COMMITTEE FINDINGS/RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Committee on Education finds that the island community continues to experience a shortage in medical doctors, impacting the quality of health care available to the People of Guam. The Committee also finds that in order to address this concern appropriately, island leaders must implement programs which would encourage local people to pursue a degree in the medical field. The Committee further finds that Bill No. 344 would provide local People with educational financial support with an opportunity to pursue a degree in the medical field, and subsequently to return to the island to serve the island community. **THEREFORE, THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION RECOMMENDS THAT BILL NO. 344, AS SUBSTITUTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 47 TO TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO ESTABLISH A HIGH SCHOOL PRE MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, A PRE-MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, AND A DOCTOR OF MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM", BE FAVORABLY CONSIDERED AND PASSED BY THE TWENTY SECOND GUAM LEGISLATURE.**

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Voting Sheet on Bill No. 344, as substituted by the Committee on Education, Twenty Second Guam Legislature.
2. Bill No. 344, as Substituted by the Committee on Education, Twenty Second Guam Legislature.
3. Bill No. 344, as introduced.
4. Written testimony by Dr. Franklin J. A. Quitugua, Director, Department of Education.
5. Written testimony by Mr. Jesus U. Torres, Chairman, Board of Regents, University of Guam.
6. Written testimony by PeterJohn Camacho, Hospital Administrator, Guam Memorial Hospital Authority.
7. Written testimony by Dr. Ricardo B. Eusebio, (General Surgeon at Naval Hospital), testified as a Concerned Citizen.
8. Copy of Public Hearing agenda on Bill No. 344, conducted on

- Wednesday, March 24, 1993, in the Public Hearing Room, Temporary Legislative Building, Agana, Guam.
9. Copy of Public Hearing agenda on Bill No. 344, conducted on Wednesday, May 26, 1993, in the Public Hearing Room, Temporary Legislative Building, Agana, Guam.
  10. Witness attendance sheet on the Public Hearing for Bill No. 344 conducted on Wednesday, March 24, 1993, in the Public Hearing Room, Temporary Legislative Building, Agana, Guam.
  11. Witness attendance sheet on the Public Hearing for Bill No. 344 conducted on Wednesday, May 26, 1993, in the Public Hearing Room, Temporary Legislative Building, Agana, Guam.

**TWENTY SECOND GUAM LEGISLATURE  
1993 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION**

Bill No. 344

(AS SUBST. BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION)

Introduced by:

D. L. G. SHIMIZU 

M.Z. BORDALLO 

J. P. AGUON 

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1           **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF**  
2           **GUAM:**

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4           **Section 1. §§47101. Name of Act.**

5                       This Act shall be referred to as the  
6           "Access to Medical Training and Education " Act or " AMTE.

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8           **Section 2. §§47102. Legislative Findings.**

9                       The Legislature finds that there continues to be an urgent need  
10           for medical doctors to serve Guam and the region. The Guam Memorial  
11           Hospital and other health organizations on the island continue to be  
12           impacted with the difficulty of hiring medical doctors to serve the health  
13           needs of our people. In order to meet the demands of health care for our

1 island, the Legislature believes that it is most effective to identify potential  
2 physician candidates during their high school years so that the necessary  
3 support for the candidate's success in a pre-medical program and in the  
4 application to a school of medicine can be enhanced. Therefore, the  
5 Legislature herein establishes the following AMTE programs: a High  
6 School Pre-Pre Medical Program at the Department of Education, a Pre-  
7 Medical Program at the University of Guam and a Doctor of Medicine  
8 Fellowship at the University of Guam.

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10 **Section 3. §§47103. High School Pre-Medical Program.**

11 (a) The Department of Education shall develop and implement  
12 a Pre-Pre Medical Program curriculum for the island's high-schools. The  
13 Program shall include the following:

14 1. identification and recruitment of students that show interest in  
15 science and health related fields;

16 2. granting of educational credits for coursework during the junior  
17 and senior years of high school;

18 3. providing practicum experience for each student participating in  
19 the program not only during the school year but including the summer  
20 months as a summer intern at the Guam Memorial Hospital or Public  
21 Health Facilities;

22 4. providing awareness of the health care needs of Guam and its  
23 neighboring countries; and

24 5. providing guidance and counseling so that the student is prepared  
25 to enroll in the Pre-Medical Program at the University of Guam.

26 (b) The Director of Education shall thereafter, but in no event  
27 later than three months from the effective date of this Act, provide a

1 written report to the Chairperson of the Board of Education, the Governor  
2 of Guam, and the Speaker of the Guam Legislature on the curriculum  
3 program which shall include a description of the completed Curriculum  
4 Program, the financial requirements, and the effective date of  
5 implementation of the Program within the high schools of Guam. In no  
6 event however, shall the implementation of the High School Pre-Medical  
7 Program in the high schools of Guam be later than the academic school  
8 year for 1994-1995.

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10 **Section 4. §§47104. Pre-Medical Program at the University of**  
11 **Guam.**

12 §§47104.1. Pre-Medical Program at the University of Guam. The  
13 University of Guam shall develop and implement a Pre-Medical Program  
14 curriculum. The curriculum's objective shall be to prepare the student to  
15 meet all the requirements necessary to apply to professional schools of  
16 medicine, prepare for the standardized medical school aptitude test and to  
17 provide opportunities for awareness of the health care needs of Guam and  
18 the region. The University of Guam shall work in coordination with the  
19 AMTE Council in developing and implementing a Pre-Medical Program  
20 Curriculum at the University of Guam, which Curriculum shall be adopted  
21 by the University no later than Academic Year 1994-95.

22 §§47104.2. AMTE Fellowship Council. There is hereby created  
23 the AMTE Fellowship Council (the "AMTE Council"), the general  
24 purpose of which shall be to plan, develop, implement and manage the  
25 Pre-Medical Program and the Doctor of Medicine Fellowship program as  
26 described herein in order to attract, select, orient, and assist qualified  
27 high school and college students to become physicians in the Territory of

1 Guam. The AMTE Council shall convene within thirty (30) days of the  
2 enactment of this Act for the purposes of implementing the provisions of  
3 this Act.

4 §§47104.3. Members of AMTE Fellowship Council. The Council  
5 shall be composed of the following:

- 6 (1) Administrator of the Guam Memorial Hospital;
- 7 (2) Director of the Department of Public Health and Social  
8 Services;
- 9 (3) Chairman of the Board of Medical Examiners;
- 10 (4) President of the Guam Medical Society;
- 11 (5) President of the University of Guam;
- 12 (6) Director of Mental Health and Substance Abuse; and
- 13 (7) Director of Guam Health Planning and Development  
14 Agency.

15 §§47104.4. Personnel. The Office of the President of the  
16 University of Guam shall provide logistics and personnel necessary for the  
17 operation of the Council.

18 §§47104.5. Administrator of the Council. There is hereby  
19 established within the office of the President of the University of Guam  
20 the AMTE Fellowship' Administrator who shall be responsible for  
21 working in conjunction with the President of the University in the  
22 administration of the Pre-Medical Program at the University of Guam.  
23 The AMTE Administrator shall work under the President of the University  
24 of Guam and the AMTE Council to develop, organize, and administer the  
25 Pre-Medical Program and the Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program as  
26 herein established at the University of Guam. The AMTE Administrator  
27 shall work closely with the President, the administrators, and the Deans

1 of the University of Guam in the preparation of the curriculum, planning  
2 of schedules, and assuring adequate instruction in the Program. The  
3 AMTE Fellowship Administrator shall be entitled to all Government of  
4 Guam benefits and shall serve at the pleasure of the AMTE Fellowship  
5 Council. The AMTE Council shall set the rate and term of pay of the  
6 Administrator and may provide the same by contract.

7       §§47104.6. Financial Assistance Eligibility. Financial assistance may  
8 be awarded by the Council to eligible students enrolled in the Pre-Medical  
9 Program who meet the following criteria:

- 10       (a) are bona fide residents of Guam for at least ten (ten) years;  
11       (b) are citizens or permanent residents of the United States;  
12       (c) are seniors or graduates of an accredited Guam high school with  
13 an overall grade point average of not less than 3.0 on a 4.0 scale;  
14       (d) have been admitted to the University of Guam in accordance with  
15 its admission policies, including advance placement for high school  
16 students;  
17       (e) if accepted in the Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program and  
18 successfully completes his or her medical training agrees to return to  
19 practice medicine with the Government of Guam.

20       §§47104.6.1. Continued Eligibility. To be eligible to continue to  
21 receive financial assistance under this program, the student must maintain  
22 an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better for each academic year  
23 during the term of assistance under this Program.

24       §§47104.7. Obligations.

25       (a) A student who for any reason is terminated from the Pre-  
26 Medical Program shall repay to the AMTE Medical Fund as established  
27 herein an amount equal to the total financial assistance received by the

1 student within five (5) years of his or her termination from the Program  
2 with interest at the rate twelve (12%) percent per annum.

3 (b) A student who does complete the Pre-Medical Program but  
4 is not selected for the Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program as  
5 established herein or does not pursue for any reason application into the  
6 Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program shall repay to the AMTE  
7 Medical Fund an amount equal to the total financial assistance received by  
8 the student. In the alternative, in lieu of monetary repayment, a student  
9 may satisfy his financial obligations herein by employment service with  
10 the Government of Guam at the rate of two years of employment service  
11 for each year or a fraction thereof the student receives financial assistance.

12 §§47104.8. Financial Assistance Benefits.

13 (a) Students in the Pre-Medical School Program at the  
14 University of Guam must complete an application form provided by the  
15 Council and satisfy all the requirements set out in Section §§47103.6  
16 above.

17 (b) Students enrolled in the Pre-Medical School program and  
18 selected for financial assistance by the Council shall be entitled to the  
19 following benefits:

20 (1) All costs of tuition, fees and books for a period of not more than  
21 four (4) academic years;

22 (2) A monthly stipend according to the following schedule: college  
23 freshman, two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per month; sophomore, three  
24 hundred dollars (\$300.00) per month; junior, four hundred dollars  
25 (\$400.00) per month; and senior, five hundred dollars (\$500.00)per  
26 month.

27 (c) As a condition for continuing full entitlement to the benefits



1 provided in this Section, the recipient must maintain a full-time enrollment  
2 with a minimum of twelve (12) semester credits per semester, not  
3 including the summer session, and good academic standing with an overall  
4 grade point average of 3.0 or better for each academic year. No  
5 student may receive benefits beyond four (4) academic years.  
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7 **Section 5. §§47105. Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program.**

8 There is hereby established a Doctor of Medicine Fellowship  
9 Program under the AMTE Council for the following purposes:

10 (1) To provide medical doctors for the Guam Memorial Hospital, the  
11 Department of Public Health and Social Services, the Department of  
12 Mental Health and Substance Abuse and other health organizations in  
13 Guam and in the region;

14 (2) To develop local medical personnel that are sensitive to Guam's  
15 cultural diversity.

16 §§47105.1. Administration. The provisions of this Section shall be  
17 administered by the AMTE Council as established in §§47103.01 above,  
18 and all fellowships provided by this Section shall be granted by the  
19 Council.

20 §§47105.2. Fund. There is hereby established a Physicians  
21 Fellowship Fund hereinafter referred to as the "AMTE Fellowship Fund"  
22 from which fellowships and financial assistance granted pursuant to this  
23 Chapter as well as the cost for administering the Programs shall be  
24 financed. The AMTE Fellowship Fund shall be kept separate and  
25 apart from any other fund and shall be administered by the Physicians  
26 Fellowship Council. The Council is authorized to accept for the  
27 fellowship funds, gifts, devises, bequests, donations, and all other kinds

1 of contributions for the purposes of the AMTE Fellowship Fund. The  
2 AMTE Fellowship Fund shall be funded by annual appropriations by the  
3 Guam Legislature to the extent made necessary by financial assistance and  
4 fellowships granted pursuant to this Chapter. The funds shall be  
5 administered by the AMTE Council and all monies appropriated for  
6 financial assistance and fellowships pursuant to this Chapter and  
7 all repayment of such financial assistance and fellowships, made under this  
8 Chapter, shall be paid directly to the AMTE Fellowship Fund and  
9 dispensed by the AMTE Council. Within one hundred twenty (120) days  
10 after the closing of its fiscal year, the AMTE Council shall transmit to the  
11 Governor, the Speaker of the Guam Legislature, and the President the  
12 University of Guam an annual report of the expenditures of the AMTE  
13 Fellowship Fund, including, but not limited to, a balance sheet, statement  
14 of receipts and expenses, and a general description of the income sources  
15 of the AMTE Fellowship Fund and the expenses thereof.

16 §47105.2.1. Investment. The reserves of the AMTE Fellowship  
17 Fund in excess of requirements for current operations may be invested and  
18 reinvested by or under authority of the AMTE Council. At its discretion,  
19 the AMTE Council may designate its Chairman or an investment  
20 committee consisting of two or more Council members to supervise this  
21 function. The AMTE Council shall have full power to manage the  
22 investments as in its considered judgment seem most appropriate to the  
23 requirements and objectives of the Fund. All proceeds and income from  
24 investments, of whatever nature, shall be credited to the account of the  
25 AMTE Fellowship Fund.

26 §47105.3. Regulations. The Council, subject to the provisions of  
27 the Administrative Adjudication Act, shall make regulations pursuant to

1 and not inconsistent with the provisions of this Chapter.

2 §§47105.4. Submission of Names. The names of all students  
3 granted fellowships under this Chapter shall be submitted to the Governor,  
4 Speaker of the Guam Legislature, and the President of the University of  
5 Guam no later than January 15th of each calendar year.

6 §§47105.5. Application Forms and Notices. The Council shall  
7 prescribe by regulation necessary application forms and procedures for all  
8 financial assistance fellowships pursuant to this Chapter.

9 §§47105.6. Prohibition. No money may be expended for award  
10 under this Chapter unless such awards are authorized by the Council by  
11 resolution. Any member or officer who disburses or certifies any  
12 expenditure from the Fellowship Fund without such authorization shall be  
13 personally liable for the restitution of such expenditure to the Fellowship  
14 Fund.

15 §§47105.7. Discharge of Fellowship Obligations Upon Death or  
16 Disability. The Council may, upon the death or disability of a student  
17 who has received any financial assistance under the provisions of this  
18 Chapter, discharge in full or in part all obligations for the repayment of  
19 said fellowship.

20 §§47105.8. Award of Physician Fellowship. Selection. The AMTE  
21 Council may select up to five applicants per academic year for fellowship  
22 awards. The names shall be submitted to the Governor, the Speaker of  
23 the Legislature, and President of the University of Guam no later than  
24 January 15th of each academic year. With the submission of the names  
25 to the Guam Legislature, the AMTE Council shall also request the  
26 necessary appropriation to fully fund the fellowships granted for the  
27 academic year.

1            §§47105.8.1. Physician Fellowship Eligibility.

2            (a) An applicant must be a bona fide resident of Guam for at  
3 least ten (10) years;

4            (b) An applicant must be a citizen of the United States or a  
5 permanent resident;

6            (c) An applicant must provide proof of acceptance into a  
7 school of medicine at an accredited institution of higher education in the  
8 United States;

9            (d) An applicant need not have gone through the High School  
10 Pre Medical Program or the Pre-Medical Program as described above to  
11 be eligible for a Physician Fellowship as provided herein, however, a  
12 student who has enrolled and successfully completed the High School Pre  
13 Medical Program and/or Pre-Medical Program as described above shall  
14 be given preference over other applicants.

15            §§47105.8.2. Physician Fellowship Benefits. Students awarded a  
16 Physicians fellowship pursuant to this Section shall receive the following  
17 benefits:

18            (a) All costs of tuition, fees, and books for a period of not more  
19 than four (4) academic years;

20            (b) A monthly stipend up to Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) as  
21 determined by the Council for a period of not more than four (4) academic  
22 years;

23            (c) Transportation from Guam to the fellow's school of medicine.  
24 Return transportation will be paid by the fellowship after the completion  
25 of the fellow's medical schooling.

26            §§47105.9. Physician Fellowship Obligations:

27            (a) A fellow who attends medical school under the Physicians

1 Fellowship Program shall agree to return to work for the Government of  
2 Guam within three (3) months after the completion of the course of  
3 studies for which the fellowship was granted, provided, however, that if  
4 the fellow continues in a residency or internship program or an area of  
5 specialty, then the Council may defer the fellow's obligations herein until  
6 three months after said residency, internship, or specialty training are  
7 completed.

8 (b) A fellow will lose his or her entitlement to the fellowship  
9 if he or she fails to maintain his or her standing as a full time student in  
10 the approved medical school.

11 (c) A fellow who does not successfully complete his or her  
12 medical education within four (4) academic years, shall pay back all  
13 monies expended on his or her behalf to the Physicians Medical Fund with  
14 interest at twelve percent (12%) per annum within five (5) years of his or  
15 her termination from the medical program.

16 (d) Upon the successful completion of medical school and any  
17 area of specialty training as approved by the council, fellows are required  
18 to return to Guam within three (3) months of completion of said medical  
19 training and are required to provide one year of service to the Government  
20 of Guam for each year of fellowship. This obligation shall be in addition  
21 to any other obligations under the Pre-Medical Program.

22 §§47105.10. Obligations of the Government of Guam. The  
23 Government of Guam shall make available a position at the Guam  
24 Memorial Hospital, the Department of Public Health and Social Service,  
25 or any other government health related facility to a returning fellow within  
26 three months of the completion of his or her medical training as  
27 determined by the Council. The Administrator of the AMTE Council  
28 shall be responsible for coordinating the availability of returning fellows

1 and positions openings within the Government of Guam in the area of the  
2 returning fellow's medical training for placement in the Government of  
3 Guam. The failure of the Government of Guam to make available a  
4 medical position within the Government of Guam to a returning fellow  
5 shall relieve the fellow of any and all financial obligations and service  
6 commitment to the Government of Guam.

7       §§47105.11. Budget and Compensation. The budget for financial  
8 assistance, salaries, stipend, travel and operational requirements of the  
9 AMTE Council as provided in this Chapter shall be submitted for the  
10 Fiscal Year 1994 and annually thereafter by the AMTE Council for  
11 approval by the Legislature. The Legislature shall appropriate funds to  
12 the AMTE Council which shall disburse them pursuant to its directives  
13 and policies. Unexpended funds shall be maintained in a continuing  
14 budget appropriation for use by the AMTE Council in succeeding budget  
15 cycles.

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17       **Section 6. §§47106. Reevaluation.**

18       The AMTE Council shall reevaluate the continued need for the  
19 provisions of this Act within ten (10) years of the date of enactment of this  
20 Act and shall report in writing its findings and recommendations to the  
21 legislature.

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23       **Section 7. §§47107. Severability.** If any provision of this Act is  
24 found to be illegal or invalid, said findings shall be severable and shall not  
25 affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Act.

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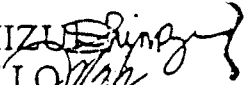
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Bill No. 344 (COR)

Introduced by:

D. L. G. SHIMIZU 

M. Z. BORDALLO 

J. P. AGUON 

AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 47 TO TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO ESTABLISH A HIGH SCHOOL PRE-PRE MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, A PRE-MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, AND A DOCTOR OF MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM.

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

2 Section 1. S 47101. Name of Act. This Act shall be referred to as the  
3 " Access to Medical Training and Education " Act or " AMTE ".

4 Section 2. § 47102. Legislative Findings: The Legislature finds that there  
5 continues to be an urgent need for medical doctors to serve Guam and the region. The  
6 Guam Memorial Hospital and other health organizations on the island continue to be  
7 impacted with the difficulty of hiring medical doctors to serve the health needs of our  
8 people. In order to meet the demands of health care for our island, the Legislature believes  
9 that it is most effective to identify potential physician candidates during their high school  
10 years so that the necessary support for the candidate's success in a pre-medical program and  
11 in the application to a school of medicine can be enhanced. Therefore, the Legislature  
12 herein establishes the following AMTE programs: a High School Pre-Pre Medical Program  
13 at the Department of Education, a Pre-Medical Program at the University of Guam and a

1 Doctor of Medicine Fellowship at the University of Guam.

2 **Section 3. §47103. High School Pre-Pre Medical Program.**

3 (a) The Department of Education shall develop and implement a Pre-Pre Medical  
4 Program curriculum for the island's high-schools. The Program shall include the following:

5 (1) identification and recruitment of students that show interest in science  
6 and health related fields;

7 (2) granting of educational credits for coursework during the junior and senior  
8 years of high school;

9 (3) providing practicum experience for each student participating in the  
10 program not only during the school year but including the summer months as a summer  
11 intern at the Guam Memorial Hospital or Public Health Facilities;

12 (4) providing awareness of the health care needs of Guam and its  
13 neighboring countries; and

14 (5) providing guidance and counseling so that the student is prepared to  
15 enroll in the Pre-Medical Program at the University of Guam.

16 (b) The Director of Education shall assign to the Curriculum and Instruction  
17 Division of the Department of Education the task of preparing the Pre-Pre Medical Program  
18 Curriculum as described herein. The Director of Education shall thereafter, but in no event  
19 later than three months from the effective date of this Act, provide a written report to the  
20 Chairperson of the Board of Education, the Governor of Guam, and the Speaker of the  
21 Guam Legislature on the curriculum program which shall include a description of the  
22 completed Curriculum Program, the financial requirements, and the effective date of



1 implementation of the Program within the high schools of Guam. In no event however,  
2 shall the implementation of the Pre-Pre Medical Program in the high schools of Guam be  
3 later than the academic school year for 1993-1994.

4 **Section 4. § 47104. Pre-Medical Program at the University of Guam.**

5 § 47104.1. Pre-Medical Program at the University of Guam. The University  
6 of Guam shall develop and implement a Pre-Medical Program curriculum. The curriculum's  
7 objective shall be to prepare the student to meet all the requirements necessary to apply to  
8 professional schools of medicine, prepare for the standardized medical school aptitude test  
9 and to provide opportunities for awareness of the health care needs of Guam and the  
10 region. The University of Guam shall work in coordination with the AMTE Council and  
11 its administrator in developing and implementing a Pre-Medical Program Curriculum at the  
12 University of Guam which Curriculum shall be adopted by the University no later than the  
13 1994-95 academic year.

14 § 47104.2. AMTE Fellowship Council. There is hereby created the AMTE  
15 Fellowship Council (the "AMTE Council"), the general purpose of which shall be to plan,  
16 develop, implement and manage the Pre-Medical Program and the Doctor of Medicine  
17 Fellowship Program as described herein in order to attract, select, orient, and assist qualified  
18 high school and college students to become physicians in the Territory of Guam. The  
19 AMTE Council shall convene within thirty (30) days of the enactment of this Act for the  
20 purposes of implementing the provisions of this Act.

21 § 47104.3. Members of AMTE Fellowship Council. The Council shall be  
22 composed of the following:

- 1 (1) Administrator of the Guam Memorial Hospital;
- 2 (2) Director of the Department of Public Health and Social
- 3 Services;
- 4 (3) Chairman of the Board of Medical Examiners;
- 5 (4) President of the Guam Medical Society;
- 6 (5) President of the University of Guam;
- 7 (6) Director of Mental Health and Substance Abuse; and
- 8 (7) Director of Guam Health Planning and Development Agency.

9 § 47104.4. Personnel. The Office of the President of the University of Guam  
10 shall provide logistics and personnel necessary for the operation of the Council.

11 § 47104.5. Administrator of the Council. There is hereby established within  
12 the office of the President of the University of Guam the AMTE Fellowship Administrator  
13 who shall be responsible for administering the Pre-Medical Program at the University of  
14 Guam. He or she shall work under the President of the University of Guam and the AMTE  
15 Council to develop, organize, and administer the Pre-Medical Program and the Doctor of  
16 Medicine Fellowship Program as herein established at the University of Guam. He or she  
17 shall work closely with the President, the administrators, and the deans of the University of  
18 Guam in the preparation of the curriculum, planning of schedules, and assuring adequate  
19 instruction in the Program. The AMTE Fellowship Administrator shall be entitled to all  
20 Government of Guam benefits and shall serve at the pleasure of the AMTE Fellowship  
21 Council. The AMTE Council shall set the rate and term of pay of the Administrator and  
22 may provide the same by contract.

1           § 47104.6. Financial Assistance Eligibility. Financial assistance may be  
2 awarded by the Council to eligible students enrolled in the Pre-Medical Program who meet  
3 the following criteria:

- 4           (a) are bonafide residents of Guam for at least five (5) years;
- 5           (b) are citizens or permanent residents of the United States;
- 6           (c) are seniors or graduates of an accredited Guam high school with an  
7 overall grade point average of not less than 3.0 on a 4.0 scale;
- 8           (d) have been admitted to the University of Guam in accordance with its  
9 admission policies, including advance placement for high school students;
- 10          (e) if accepted in the Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program and  
11 successfully completes his or her medical training agrees to return to practice medicine with  
12 the Government of Guam.

13           § 47104.6.1. Continued Eligibility. To be eligible to continue to receive  
14 financial assistance under this program, the student must maintain an overall grade point  
15 average of 3.0 or better for each academic year during the term of assistance under this  
16 Program.

17           § 47104.7. Obligations.

18           (a) A student who for any reason is terminated from the Pre-Medical  
19 Program shall repay to the AMTE Medical Fund as established herein an amount equal to  
20 the total financial assistance received by the student within five (5) years of his or her  
21 termination from the Program with interest at the rate twelve (12%) percent per annum.

22           (b) A student who does complete the Pre-Medical Program but is not selected

1 for the Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program as established herein or does not pursue  
2 for any reason application into the Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program shall repay to  
3 the AMTE Medical Fund an amount equal to the total financial assistance received by the  
4 student. In the alternative, in lieu of monetary repayment, a student may satisfy his financial  
5 obligations herein by employment service with the Government of Guam at the rate of two  
6 years of employment service for each year or a fraction thereof the student receives financial  
7 assistance.

8 § 47104.8. Financial Assistance Benefits.

9 (a) Students in the Pre-Medical School Program at the University of Guam  
10 must complete an application form provided by the Council and satisfy all the requirements  
11 set out in Section §47103.6 above.

12 (b) Students enrolled in the Pre-Medical School program and selected for  
13 financial assistance by the Council shall be entitled to the following benefits:

14 (1) All costs of tuition, fees and books for a period of not more than  
15 four (4) academic years;

16 (2) A monthly stipend according to the following schedule: college  
17 freshman, two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per month; sophomore, three hundred dollars  
18 (\$300.00) per month; junior, (\$400.00) per month; and senior, five hundred dollars (\$500.00)  
19 per month.

20 (c) As a condition for continuing full entitlement to the benefits provided in  
21 this Section, the recipient must maintain a full-time enrollment with a minimum of twelve  
22 (12) semester credits per semester, not including the summer session, and good academic

1 standing with an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better for each academic year. No  
2 student may receive benefits beyond four (4) academic years.

3 **Section 5. § 47105. Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program.** There is hereby  
4 established a Doctor of Medicine Fellowship Program under the AMTE Council for the  
5 following purposes:

6 (1) To provide medical doctors for the Guam Memorial Hospital, the Department  
7 of Public Health and Social Services, the Department of Mental Health and Substance  
8 Abuse and other health organizations in Guam and in the region;

9 (2) To develop local medical personnel that are sensitive to Guam's cultural  
10 diversity.

11 § 47105.1. Administration. The provisions of this Section shall be  
12 administered by the AMTE Council as established in § 47103.01 above, and all fellowships  
13 provided by this Section shall be granted by the Council.

14 § 47105.2. Fund. There is hereby established a Physicians Fellowship Fund  
15 hereinafter referred to as the "AMTE Fellowship Fund" from which fellowships and  
16 financial assistance granted pursuant to this Chapter as well as the cost for administering  
17 the Programs shall be financed. The AMTE Fellowship Fund shall be kept separate and  
18 apart from any other fund and shall be administered by the Physicians Fellowship Council.  
19 The Council is authorized to accept for the fellowship funds, gifts, devises, bequests,  
20 donations, and all other kinds of contributions for the purposes of the AMTE Fellowship  
21 Fund. The AMTE Fellowship Fund shall be funded by annual appropriations by the Guam  
22 Legislature to the extent made necessary by financial assistance and fellowships granted

1 pursuant to this Chapter. The funds shall be administered by the AMTE Council and all  
2 monies appropriated for financial assistance and fellowships pursuant to this Chapter and  
3 all repayment of such financial assistance and fellowships, made under this Chapter, shall  
4 be paid directly to the AMTE Fellowship Fund and dispensed by the AMTE Council.  
5 Within one hundred twenty (120) days after the closing of its fiscal year, the AMTE Council  
6 shall transmit to the Governor, the Speaker of the Guam Legislature, and the President of  
7 the University of Guam an annual report of the expenditures of the AMTE Fellowship  
8 Fund, including, but not limited to, a balance sheet, statement of receipts and expenses, and  
9 a general description of the income sources of the AMTE Fellowship Fund and the expenses  
10 thereof.

11 §47105.2.1. Investment. The reserves of the AMTE  
12 Fellowship Fund in excess of requirements for current operations may be invested and  
13 reinvested by or under authority of the AMTE Council. At its discretion, the AMTE  
14 Council may designate its Chairman or an investment committee consisting of two or more  
15 Council members to supervise this function. The AMTE Council shall have full power to  
16 manage the investments as in its considered judgment seem most appropriate to the  
17 requirements and objectives of the Fund. All proceeds and income from investments, of  
18 whatever nature, shall be credited to the account of the AMTE Fellowship Fund.

19 § 47105.3. Regulations. The Council, subject to the provisions of the  
20 Administrative Adjudication Act, shall make regulations pursuant to and not inconsistent  
21 with the provisions of this Chapter.

22 § 47105.4. Submission of Names. The names of all students granted

1 fellowships under this Chapter shall be submitted to the Governor, Speaker of the Guam  
2 Legislature, and the President of the University of Guam no later than January 15th of each  
3 calendar year.

4 § 47105.5. Application Forms and Notices. The Council shall prescribe by  
5 regulation necessary application forms and procedures for all financial assistance fellowships  
6 pursuant to this Chapter.

7 § 47105.6. Prohibition. No money may be expended for award under this  
8 Chapter unless such awards are authorized by the Council by resolution. Any member or  
9 officer who disburses or certifies any expenditure from the Fellowship Fund without such  
10 authorization shall be personally liable for the restitution of such expenditure to the  
11 Fellowship Fund.

12 § 47105.7. Discharge of Fellowship Obligations Upon Death or Disability.  
13 The Council may, upon the death or disability of a student who has received any financial  
14 assistance under the provisions of this Chapter, discharge in full or in part all obligations  
15 for the repayment of said fellowship.

16 § 47105.8. Award of Physician Fellowship. Selection. The AMTE Council  
17 may select up to five applicants per academic year for fellowship awards. The names shall  
18 be submitted to the Governor, the Speaker of the Legislature, and President of the  
19 University of Guam no later than January 15th of each academic year. With the submission  
20 of the names to the Guam Legislature, the AMTE Council shall also request the necessary  
21 appropriation to fully fund the fellowships granted for the academic year.

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1 § 47105.8.1. Physician Fellowship Eligibility.

2 (a) An applicant must be a bonafide resident of Guam for at least ten (10)  
3 years;

4 (b) An applicant must be a citizen of the United States or a permanent  
5 resident;

6 (c) An applicant must provide proof of acceptance into a school of medicine  
7 at an accredited institution of higher education in the United States.

8 (d) An applicant need not have gone through the Pre-Pre Med Program  
9 or the Pre-Medical Program as described above to be eligible for a Physician Fellowship as  
10 provided herein, however, a student who has enrolled and successfully completed the Pre-  
11 Pre Medical Program and/or Pre-Medical Program as described above shall be given  
12 preference over other applicants.

13 § 47105.8.2. Physician Fellowship Benefits. Students awarded a Physicians  
14 fellowship pursuant to this Section shall receive the following benefits:

15 (a) All costs of tuition, fees, and books for a period of not more than four  
16 (4) academic years;

17 (b) A monthly stipend up to Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) as  
18 determined by the Council for a period of not more than four (4) academic years;

19 (c) Transportation from Guam to the fellow's school of medicine. Return  
20 transportation will be paid by the fellowship after the completion of the fellow's medical  
21 schooling.

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1           § 47105.9. Physician Fellowship Obligations: (a) A fellow who attends  
2 medical school under the Physicians Fellowship Program shall agree to return to work for  
3 the Government of Guam within three (3) months after the completion of the course of  
4 studies for which the fellowship was granted, provided, however, that if the fellow continues  
5 in a residency or internship program or an area of specialty, then the Council may defer the  
6 fellow's obligations herein until three months after said residency, internship, or specialty  
7 training are completed.

8           (b) A fellow will lose his or her entitlement to the fellowship if he or she  
9 fails to maintain his or her standing as a full time student in the approved medical school.

10           (c) A fellow who does not successfully complete his or her medical  
11 education within four (4) academic years, shall pay back all monies expended on his or her  
12 behalf to the Physicians Medical Fund with interest at twelve percent (12%) per annum  
13 within five (5) years of his or her termination from the medical program.

14           (d) Upon the successful completion of medical school and any area of  
15 specialty training as approved by the council, fellows are required to return to Guam within  
16 three (3) months of completion of said medical training and are required to provide one  
17 year of service to the Government of Guam for each year of fellowship. This obligation  
18 shall be in addition to any other obligations under the Pre-Medical Program.

19           § 47105.10. Obligations of the Government of Guam. The Government of  
20 Guam shall make available a position at the Guam Memorial Hospital, the Department of  
21 Public Health and Social Service, or any other government health related facility to a  
22 returning fellow within three months of the completion of his or her medical training as

1 determined by the Council. The Administrator of the AMTE Council shall be responsible  
2 for coordinating the availability of returning fellows and positions openings within the  
3 Government of Guam in the area of the returning fellow's medical training for placement  
4 in the Government of Guam. The failure of the Government of Guam to make available  
5 a medical position within the Government of Guam to a returning fellow shall relieve the  
6 fellow of any and all financial obligations and service commitment to the Government of  
7 Guam.

8 § 47105.11. Budget and Compensation. The budget for financial assistance,  
9 salaries, stipend, travel and operational requirements of the AMTE Council as provided in  
10 this Chapter shall be submitted for the Fiscal Year 1994 and annually thereafter by the  
11 AMTE Council for approval by the Legislature. The Legislature shall appropriate funds to  
12 the AMTE Council which shall disburse them pursuant to its directives and policies.  
13 Unexpended funds shall be maintained in a continuing budget appropriation for use by the  
14 AMTE Council in succeeding budget cycles.

15 Section 6. § 47106. Reevaluation. The AMTE Council shall reevaluate the  
16 continued need for the provisions of this Act within ten (10) years of the date of enactment  
17 of this Act and shall report in writing its findings and recommendations to the legislature.

18 Section 7. § 47107. Severability. If any provision of this Act is found to be illegal  
19 or invalid, said findings shall be severable and shall not affect the validity of the remaining  
20 provisions of this Act.

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March 22, 1993

The Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo  
Chairperson, Committee on Education  
Twenty-Second Guam Legislature  
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Dear Madam Chairperson:

Thank you for giving the Department of Education this opportunity to testify on Bill No. 344 "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 47 TO TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO ESTABLISH A HIGH SCHOOL PRE-PRE MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, A PRE-MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, AND A DOCTOR OF MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM."

The intent of the proposed legislation as discussed in Section 3 is to mandate the Department of Education to prepare an early pre-service recruitment program which would attract, encourage, and nurture gifted students who are interested in pursuing career fields in medicine to accelerate their studies in pursuit of professional preparation leading to degrees in medicine and related fields in the healing arts.

We believe that our current work in developing the secondary school curriculum to provide for a wide range of offerings in science and mathematics through an improved College Preparatory and Honors Programs will provide the course work that are suitable in providing the basic curriculum structure that students who are inclined to pursue careers in the healing arts would find helpful. Appropriate courses in Biology, Anatomy, Chemistry, Algebra and Advanced Mathematics are all very appropriate high school courses for early pre-med students.

Additionally, a more functional career guidance program in the Middle and High School levels would help guide our students to the more relevant curricular and co-curricular opportunities that complement their courses in science and mathematics.



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We do not believe that this legislation is necessary for the secondary school segment of the proposal because our improved secondary school curriculum will satisfy the intent of the Bill. ✓

The Department of Education respectfully opposes passage of Bill No. 344.

Sincerely,



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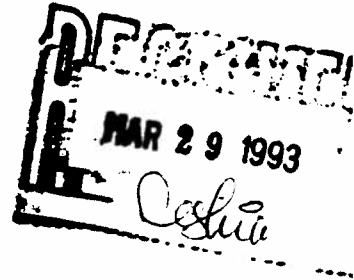
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# University of Guam

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March 22, 1993

The Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo  
Chairperson, Committee on Education  
155 Hesler Street  
Agana, Guam 96910

RE: Bill No. 344 "Access to Medical Training  
and Education" Act

Dear Senator Bordallo:

The University wishes to voice its support for Bill No. 344, as the shortage of physicians practicing on Guam is well known and of import to all of us.

The University is happy to report that it has had Pre-medical, Pre-optometry, Pre-dental and Pre-veterinary Advisement Programs since the early 1980s. A description of the program from the University's catalog is attached.

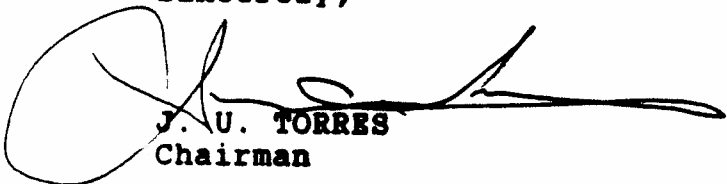
At present there are seven UOG students either in medical schools or in residencies in New York State, Hawaii, Pennsylvania, and Maryland.

The University is always striving to strengthen its existing programs and Bill No. 344 will give the University support to accomplish that strengthening.

We would recommend, however, that the AMTE Council should, as part of its implementation, study whether there is a need for a full-time AMTE Fellowship Administrator, since a major function of that office will be to develop and organize a program that the University has already developed and organized.

It is possible that the Council could directly monitor and support the University's program, using as liaison biology and science faculty who advise pre-med students.

Sincerely,



J. U. TORRES  
Chairman

Students requiring developmental work in the areas of mathematics or English are welcomed to the program but completion of the program will probably take longer than two years for these students.

Advising of those participating in the Engineering Science Program will be handled by the pre-engineering advisors in the Division of Natural Sciences and the Water and Energy Research Institute.

### **Recommended Engineering Science Curriculum**

English and Communication: EN111, CO210.

Mathematics: MA203, MA204, MA205, MA271, MA301.

Physical Sciences: PH251, PH210, PH252, PH211, CH102, CH103.

Engineering Science: ES100, ES101, ES201, ES202.

Physical Education: 2 Credits

Elective Courses: 9 credits of courses in category II and III of General Education Course requirements. At least 3 credits should be taken in each category.

## **PREMEDICAL, PREOPTOMETRY, PREDENTAL AND PREVETERINARY PROGRAMS**

The University of Guam offers all courses which are required to attend post-graduate medical, optometry and dental schools, and these courses are as rigorous as courses in other accredited institutions. However, the University of Guam does not offer a "pre-med major," etc., sequence of courses, because most medical, optometry and dental schools prefer to consider candidates who have completed a subject area major. Therefore, those who plan to continue their studies in medical, optometry or dental school should choose a subject area major, and, in addition, should schedule mathematics through calculus, one year of college or university physics, one year of general biology, and two years of chemistry (through organic chemistry). Courses such as quantitative analysis, biochemistry, cell physiology, genetics and comparative anatomy are often recommended if scheduling permits. Often, premed, preoptometry and predental students will choose to major in math or the sciences, but this is not necessary so long as the required courses are taken. Prospective premeds, preoptometry and predents should realize that national examinations (the Medical College Aptitude Test, MCAT; the Optometry College Admission Test, OCAT; and the Dental Aptitude Test, DAT) are to be taken in the junior year of college; required courses should be completed or in progress before these exams are scheduled in order to assure adequate scores. Information on MCAT, OCAT and DAT can be obtained from the Office of Counseling and Career Planning; Guam is an officially designated test site for these exams.

Those who are interested in veterinary medicine can complete basic science requirements at the University of Guam. However, there are very few schools of veterinary medicine and they are extremely selective. They usually require, in addition to basic science, agriculture courses in animal husbandry, animal nutrition, etc., and all have specific state residency

requirements which being a resident of Guam does not fulfill. Pre-vocational students are encouraged to attend the University of Guam for two years, during which time basic science courses can be taken and appropriate catalogs studied.

Advisement for these pre-professional courses is handled through the biology major advisor in the Division of Natural Sciences, and all students who plan to go to medical, optometry, dental, and veterinary schools are encouraged to seek this advisement, regardless of their subject area. The University of Guam presently participates in a special "Underserved in Sight" program with the Pacific University College of Optometry, and a special program for Pacific island students is available. Inquiries from high school students and other Guam residents are welcomed.

## **DESCRIPTION OF COURSES**

Interdisciplinary (ID) courses are listed separately at the end of the course listing of the College of Business and Public Administration.

### **ANTHROPOLOGY (AN)**

**AN101 INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY (3) F/SP**

An introduction to anthropology: the comparative study of human beings. The basic principles of archaeology, cultural anthropology, linguistics and physical anthropology are explored as they relate to the study of human beings, and to each other as subdisciplines of anthropology.

**AN203 INTRODUCTION TO ARCHAEOLOGY (3) F/Odd Years**

Introduction to Archaeology is designed to acquaint students with the methods, theory, and techniques of archaeology, especially as they apply to reconstructing prehistoric societies and explaining cultural change.  
Prerequisite: AN101

**AN212 CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY (3) F/Even Years**

A study of culture, the central concept of anthropology. Traditional and contemporary theories regarding the nature, structure and dynamics of culture are examined, as well as human social institutions: marriage and the family, kinship and descent, social organization, subsistence patterns, economic systems, political organization, social control, religion and magic and the arts.  
Prerequisite: AN101



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Testimony on Bill 344: An Act To Add A New Chapter 47 to Title 17, Guam Code Annotated To Establish A High School Pre-Pre Medical Program At The Department Of Education, A Pre-Medical Program At The University Of Guam, And A Doctor Of Medicine Fellowship At The University Of Guam

Good Morning Mister Chairman and Members of the Committee:

My name is PeterJohn Camacho and I am the Administrator of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority. I am presenting this testimony on Bill 344, relative to the establishment of the AMTE Act on behalf of the Authority.

AMTE is the Chamorro word meaning to heal or cure. It is very fitting and appropriate that this word also stands for the acronym, "access to medical training and education". For many years, our island has been subject to the "illness" or difficulties of attracting and retaining medical practitioners as well as other healthcare professionals. The establishment of this program will go a long way towards addressing the need for physicians for the people of our island home.

There are several recommendations that I would like to offer for the Committee's consideration. The first is the need to involve our island's physicians in a more active and dynamic way. We all know the positive effect a greatly admired role model has on motivating individuals. Involving our medical community as mentors for students who are interested can only strengthen the program. I believe that the Guam Medical Society should be approached to participate. The Council should develop a program to involve that valuable resource. The Authority would also be a good forum to "expose" interested individuals to the healthcare profession. A coordinated program will need to be established to ensure that the Authority continues to meet regulatory agency requirements for training and confidentiality and that the students will benefit from this experience.

The University of Guam has administered the professional technical scholarship program for many years. Many of the professionals, both in healthcare and non-healthcare, now on island have benefitted from this program. However, there have been problems in securing a commitment from those recipients to return to island. Aggressive recruitment and attractive compensation packages are a few incentives to stay on the mainland. The AMTE program should explore all possible avenues, including penalties to ensure that those individuals who receive those benefits return to Guam to provide service to our community.





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We also need to look at what other things can be done to ensure that we can retain these professionals once they return. The Chairperson of the Committee is presently working on an amendment to the existing Peer Review law. This will certainly give a clear sign to the medical community of our commitment to ensuring that we all participate in activities to ensure that the quality of healthcare services on the island are continually improved.

The issue of malpractice insurance availability also needs to be addressed. One of the reasons that physicians are reluctant to come to Guam is because of the lack of malpractice insurance. They are concerned about the impact that a lawsuit can have on their and their family's livelihood and their financial security.

These are a few things for your consideration. However, I would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to Senator Shimizu for his commitment to providing a means to meeting our island's future medical needs. On behalf of the Authority, I respectfully request the Committee's endorsement of this bill and passage by the Legislature. Thank you.

I AM DR. RICARDO B. EUSEBIO,  
A GENERAL SURGEON at Naval Hospital,  
GUAM. I appear before you as  
a concerned citizen. The opinions  
I express are solely mine and  
do not necessarily reflect the  
opinions of the Department of Defense  
or the United States Navy.

The authors of Bill 344, 'The  
AMTE ACT should be applauded.' It  
addresses a critical issue for us, the  
health care needs of our island.  
You have demonstrated foresight and  
planning by attempting to solve the  
✓ problem of manpower. Although this  
alone, will fall short in addressing  
all of our health care problems,  
appropriate facilities and support  
group must also be given the same  
consideration. Nevertheless, manpower  
plays an important cog in the wheel.  
It forms the basis for all your health  
care programs and the building  
blocks from which to create your  
infra-structure.

MANPOWER improves the caliber  
of care delivered. Not only does it

provide the much needed requisite expertise but it also gives patients a choice. The law of supply and demand is applicable. As long as the demand for physician services far outweighs the demand for pt. services, the quality of care is compromised. Adequate manpower allows physicians to spend more time with pts, encourages self improvement through further education and training thus benefiting all patients. Having said that, I don't believe there is anyone here who would disagree that we do need more doctors.

The question is the avenue by which we achieve that goal. Folks, this is as good a start as any and you begin with educational support.

I am a product of Guam's educational system. Beginning at Agaña H.S. and subsequently Sinajank Elem. Schools I then attended St. Jude Jr. H.S. (BBTHA) and finally graduated from Father Quenas Mem. H.S. My desire to be a physician began at this level

I worked as a volunteer at GMH and progressed as an orderly in the E.R. Certainly a program such as this Bill would have benefited me at this level. leaving Guam for pre-medical studies at Creighton University and then on to Medical School at George Washington University, Washington, D.C. was a financial struggle. Despite summer jobs, my wife working, a loan here, a scholarship there and a grant anywhere, we were always looking for ways to make ends meet. The military provided me with a better option, a salary, deferment and training. In return, they required service to me in my chosen field for a number of years. For the most part this has been mutually beneficial but I tell you, though I eagerly serve my country well, I would love to serve my Island more. The best option would have been the physician fellowship described on this bill. Had this option existed, I would not be sitting here as a concerned surgeon from the Naval Hospital but as a concerned surgeon from GMH.

Having discussed the merits of this bill, please, now consider the following suggestions or amendments

1. I found the term pre-pre-medical program confusing and awkward. This is a high school pre-medical program and should be appropriately labeled a H.S. pre-medical program. Counselling and guidance should be centrally located providing access to public and private schools.

2. If the goal of the AMTE council is to identify potential students who will not only successfully complete the program but also gain acceptance into medical school, the standards should be set higher. Medical school has a rigorous curriculum and Admission committees will not ~~accept~~ consider a student who may not succeed. The probability of a successful admission to Medical School will be enhanced by a higher GPA. A 3.0 will just not cut it.

3. Based on your criteria for eligibility into the pre-medical program, an applicant must be a bona fide resident of Guam for 5 yrs

page 5 - Line 4 ; a student meeting this requirement and who completes a 4 year pre-medical program will not qualify for the physician fellowship program despite getting into medical school. This total of 9 years falls short of the eligibility 10 year residency criteria stated in line 2 of page 10.

✓ I recommend minimizing these criteria for eye main focus should be in a successful student who is willing to return and practice on Guam.

✓ 4. Finally, we should also consider the student who may not have been aware of this program for any reason or is already a student in medical school prior to implementation of the program. This student is a sure thing having already successfully gained acceptance or completed medical school. Paying off their educational debts and requiring the same payback as the Physician Fellowship program can only benefit Guam.

This I find the thrust of  
a bill very exciting, provide  
a clear vision of the future  
healthy care needs of our  
island, let me publicly say  
now that I not only support  
this bill wholeheartedly, but  
~~will gladly assist in~~  
~~helping my name in by volunteer~~  
setting this program off the  
ground.



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## TWENTY-SECOND GUAM LEGISLATURE

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**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 1993**  
**PUBLIC HEARING ROOM**  
**LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, AGANA**  
**9:00 A.M.**

#### AGENDA

#### CONFIRMATIONS:

- I. APPOINTMENT OF MS. JUANITA T. PEREDO TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF CHAMORRO LANGUAGE COMMISSION, TO EXPIRE ON 12/17/95.
- II. APPOINTMENT OF SISTER BERMADETTE QUINTANILLA TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE CHAMORRO LANGUAGE COMMISSION, TO EXPIRE ON 12/17/95.
- III. APPOINTMENT OF MS. JOSEFINA P. BARCINAS TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF CHAMORRO LANGUAGE COMMISSION, TO EXPIRE ON 12/17/95.
- IV. APPOINTMENT OF MR. FRANK T. SAN NICOLAS TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF CHAMORRO LANGUAGE COMMISSION, TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF DR. ROBERT UNDERWOOD, TO EXPIRE ON 5/14/93.

#### BILLS:

- I. BILL NO. 153  
"AN ACT RELATIVE TO ADOPTING THE GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE GCC BOARD TRUSTEES TO ADDRESS THE CONTINUAL CHANGE AND GROWTH OF THE COLLEGE. THIS PROVISION SHALL HEREBY BE KNOWN AS THE 'GCC STRUCTURAL ORGANIZATION ACT OF 1993'."  
SPONSORED BY: SENATOR M. S. BORDALLO
- II. BILL NO. 258  
"AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT §4111, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROVIDING FOR MAKE-UP SCHOOL INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS IN THE SCHOOL CALENDAR TO ADDRESS LOST SCHOOL DAYS EXPERIENCED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DUE TO NATURAL DISASTERS AND INCLEMENT WEATHER."  
SPONSORED BY: SENATOR M. S. BORDALLO
- III. BILL NO. 276  
"AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §42016 TO THE GOVERNMENT CODE RELATIVE TO CREATING A GUAM PUBLIC LIBRARY PARKING FUND, AND TO REPEAL AND REENACT §42017 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE TO AUTHORIZE THE LIBRARY TO CHARGE FOR PARKING."  
SPONSORED BY: SENATOR T. S. NELSON
- IV. BILL NO. 328  
"AN ACT TO WAIVE THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY (180) INSTRUCTIONAL DAY REQUIREMENT OF §4111 OF TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, FOR SCHOOL YEARS 1992-1993."  
SPONSORED BY: SENATOR C. T. C. GUTIERRES
- V. BILL NO. 344  
"AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 47 TO TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO ESTABLISH A HIGH SCHOOL PRE-PRE MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, A PRE-MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, AND A DOCTOR OF MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM."  
SPONSORED BY: SENATOR D. L. G. SHIMIZU

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## PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, May 26, 1993  
Public Hearing Room  
Legislative Building, Agaña  
9:00 a.m.

## AGENDA

### CONFIRMATIONS:

- I. "APPOINTMENT OF MRS. LORRAINE C. YAMASHITA TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE, BOARD OF TRUSTEES, TO EXPIRE ON 5/03/96."
- II. "REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. JAMES W. GILLAM TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE EDUCATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION, BOARD OF TRUSTEES EXPIRE ON 3/26/97."
- III. "REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. PETER A. ADA TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF TERRITORIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION, TO EXPIRE ON 3/26/96."
- IV. "REAPPOINTMENT OF MR. IGNACIO T. TAINATONGO TO SERVE AS MEMBER OF TERRITORIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION, TO EXPIRE ON 3/26/96."

### BILLS:

- I. BILL NO. 342  
"AN ACT TO RECRUIT SINGLE PARENTS AND HOUSEWIVES INTO THE TEACHING PROFESSION TO SERVE THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF GUAM."
- II. BILL NO. 344  
"AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 47 TO TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, ESTABLISH A HIGH SCHOOL PRE-PRE MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, A PRE-MEDICAL PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, AN DOCTOR OF MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM."
- III. BILL NO. 353  
"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM; TO ESTABLISH AND CONFER A MASTERS OF SOCIAL WORK DEGREE PROGRAM AT UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS THE PROGRAMAN AYUDU PAN AYUDANTE."
- IV. BILL NO. 428  
"AN ACT TO AMEND §§15201, 15202, 15301, 15302, 15303, 15402, AND 15403 OF CHAPTER 15, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, PROGRAMS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM, PERTAINING TO STUDENT LOANS, MERIT AWARDS, PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL AWARDS, AWARDS FOR CITIZENS OF THE REGION AND RESIDENTS WITHIN JURISDICTION OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION; AND PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUCH AMENDED PROVISIONS."
- V. BILL NO. 456  
"AN ACT TO CREATE AN EMERGENCY TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAM TO BENEFIT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE."

**THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND  
AND EXPRESS ITS VIEWS.**

*Senadora*

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 TWENTY SECOND GUAM LEGISLATURE**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

DATE: Wednesday, May 26, 1993  
 TIME: 9:00 a.m.

**WITNESS ATTENDANCE SHEET**

Bill No. 344

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