

CARL T.C. GUTIERREZ GOVERNOR OF GUAM

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The Honorable Joanne M. S. Brown Legislative Secretary I Mina'Bente Sais na Liheslaturan Guåhan Twenty-Sixth Guam Legislature Suite 200 130 Aspinal Street Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Legislative Secretary Brown:

Enclosed please find Bill No. 271 (COR) "AN ACT TO AMEND § 45200(a) AND TO ADD §§ 45201, 45202 AND 45203, ALL TO TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, AND TO AMEND § 4 OF P.L. NO. 21-10, RELATIVE TO THE GUAM ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND", which was vetoed and subsequently overridden by the Legislature. This legislation is now designated as **Public Law No. 26-154**.

Very truly yours,

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Carl T. C. Gutierrez

I Maga'Lahen Guåhan Governor of Guam

- cc: The Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco Speaker
- Attachment: copy of bill for signed or overridden bill original of bill for vetoed bill

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## MINA'BENTE SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2002 (SECOND) Regular Session

## CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN

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LAWRENCE F. KASPERDAUER Attested: Acting Speaker **MÄRK FORBES** Senator and Acting Legislative Secretary This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guåhan this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_ 2002, at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ O'clock \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_.M. Assistant Staff Officer Maga'lahi's Office

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This legislation restricts the Guam Environmental Trust Fund to the point that the agency is unable to use this fund properly for its intended purpose. The fund is designed to use for quick action to respond to environmental needs such as oil spills, fires and so forth. The fund under this legislation would be restricted to the point that the Director of the agency could only use \$5,000, with a declaration of emergency by the Governor. This amount is clearly not enough to respond to environmental emergencies.

The remainder of the Guam Environmental Trust Fund would be siphoned off to use for the "Hasso" program, but this program should be funded from partnering with companies, or perhaps charging an advance disposal fee when items which have to be disposed of under the "Hasso" program are first purchased. The fund portion siphoned off has no legal appropriation under this legislation, so the funds could not be used for any purpose.

This legislation leaves the GEPA with essentially no funds to respond to an environmental emergency, such as a sudden need for a cleanup, repair, containment, etc.

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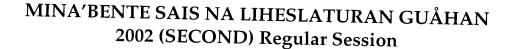
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ANTONIO R. UNPINGCO **Speaker** Attestec JOANNE M.S. BROWN Senator and Legislative Secretary -----This Act was received by *I Maga'lahen Guåhan* this \_/6/6\_\_ day of ember 2002, 3:55 at \_ o'clock Assistant Staff Officer Maga'lahi's Office **APPROVED:** CARL TI C. GUTIERREZ I Maga'lahen Guåhan Date: Public Law No.

## I MINA' BENTE SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN

2002 (SECOND) Regular Session

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#### **VOTING SHEET**

Bill No. \_27/ (COR) Resolution No.

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Senator Kaleo S. Moylan Chairperson, Committee on Ways and Means Mina'Bente Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan Twenty-Sixth Guam Legislature

August 9, 2002

Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco Speaker Mina 'Bente Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan Hagåtña, Guam 96910

VIA: Chairperson, Committee on Rules, General Government Operations, Reorganization and Reform and Federal, Foreign and General Affairs

Dear Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred Bill No. 271 (COR), "AN ACT TO *AMEND* SECTION 45200 AND TO *ADD* SECTIONS 45201, 45202 AND 45203 ALL TO ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 45, PART 2, DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW NUMBER 21-10, RELATIVE TO THE GUAM ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND," has had the same under consideration, and now wishes to report back the same with the recommendation to do pass as amended by the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee votes are as follows:

	To Do Pass
0	Not to Pass
	To Report Out
<u> </u>	Abstain
	Inactive File

A copy of the Committee Report and other pertinent documents are attached for your immediate reference and information.

Thank you,

KALEO S. MOYLA Chairperson

Enclosure:

#### *Committee on Ways and Means* Vote Sheet on

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COMMITTEE MEMBER	TO DO PASS	NOT TO PASS	REPORT OUT ONLY	ABSTAIN	INACTIVE FILE
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#### Committee on Ways and Means Report On

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#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

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#### **TESTIMONY:**

Submitting written testimony on behalf of Mr. Jesus T. Salas, Administrator of the Guam Environmental Protection Agency (GEPA) was Ms. Elizabeth T. Cruz, Legal Counsel to GEPA. According to Mr. Salas, the goal of Bill 271 in funding a quarterly *Hasso* Guam Program is appreciated, especially with Earth Week and Earth Day approaching. In his testimony, he went on to say that the Environmental Trust Fund was created to address situations that require quick action to prevent further harm from occurring to our natural resources such as the grounding of a vessel on our reefs or a fire at a landfill.

This type of micro-managing of a fund is not conducive for quick action to be taken. Laws are in place to prevent misuse or mismanagement of local funds. The Attorney General's Office should be the starting point if there is evidence of such misbehavior on the part of a public official. In addition, quarterly reports can be provided showing expenditures from the fund. Requiring a legislative appropriation delays decisions required in an environmental crisis to protect public health and the environment.

At this juncture, Attorney Cruz interjected saying that the funding of a quarterly *Hasso* Guam is appreciated but contradicts the purpose of this Fund. She went on to say that the Fund was created to handle sudden and unexpected environmental mishaps. It is GEPA's goal to find other means to fund *Hasso* Guam including partnering with companies to donate their services to defray these costs. I would support an advanced disposal fee bill on items imported into Guam including white goods, tires or oils. I also support efforts made to draft a bottle bill.

Concluding her statement, Attorney Cruz stated that the funding for the Hasso Guam Program from this Trust Fund is appreciated but this program might be better funded from a partnership with the private sector or the fees stipulated above. [Refer to Exhibit 1]

There being no further discussion, the Chair adjourned the hearing on Bill No 271 (COR) at 10:45 a.m.

#### COMMITTEE PROFILE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

Brief Title:	"Environmental Trust Fund."
Date Introduced:	Tuesday, February 26, 2002.
Main Sponsor:	Senators V. C. Pangelinan and J. M.S. Brown.
Committee Referral:	February 26, 2002 from the Committee on Rules, Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform, and Federal, Foreign and General Affairs to the Committee on Ways and Means.
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Fiscal Note:	Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 9, Title 2 of the Guam Code Annotated, a request for a fiscal note on Bill No. 271 (COR) was made to BBMR on Thursday, March 26, 2001.
Recommendation:	To do pass as amended by the Committee on Ways and means.

#### A Closer Look and Findings

A closer look at the legislation reveals that the Guam Environmental Protection Agency's *Hasso* Guam recycling program has the ability to protect our island community from residential hazardous waste, thus protecting not only our environment, but also most importantly, the people of Guam. However, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that *Hasso* Guam has limited financial resources, hence cannot successfully fulfill its overall objective in ensuring that residential hazardous wastes such as nickel-cadmium batteries, used oil, paint, spray paint cans, degreasing solvents, coolants, auto batteries, pesticides, fertilizers, and among others, are properly disposed of on a regular basis.

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#### Section Analysis

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Committee Report, Bill No. 271 (COR) as amended

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Code Annotated is *hereby* amended to read as follows:

"(a) There is hereby created, separate and apart from other funds of the
government of Guam, a fund known as the Guam Environmental Trust Fund
(the "Fund"). The Fund shall not be commingled with the General Fund and
shall be kept in a separate bank account, subject to legislative appropriation, to
be used by the Administrator of the Guam Environmental Protection Agency
(the 'Administrator') to clean up hazardous materials and restore and repair
damage done to the Guam environment."

Section 3. Use of Funds and promotion of keeping a safe and healthy
environment. A new Section 45201 of Article 2 of Chapter 45, Part 2, Division 2
of Title 10 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *added* to read as follows:

23 "Section 45201. Use of Funds and promotion of keeping a safe and
 24 healthy environment. Up to Twenty-five (25%) percent of the funds in the
 25 Guam Environmental Trust Fund may be utilized by the Administrator of the



Guam Environmental Protection Agency, for programs relative to the prevention of environmental problems, and the promotion of keeping a safe and healthy environment."

Section 4. Authorized Expenditure and Emergency Declaration. A
new Section 45202 of Article 2 of Chapter 45, Part 2, Division 2 of Title 10 of the
Guam Code Annotated is hereby *added* to read as follows:

7 "Section 45202. Authorized Expenditure and Emergency 8 Declaration. Notwithstanding §45200(a) of this Chapter, the 9 Administrator of the Guam Environmental Protection Agency is hereby authorized to spend no more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the 10 purposes of assessment, cleaning up hazardous materials and restoring and 11 repairing damages done to the Guam environment per declaration, without 12 13 legislative appropriation, provided that an Emergency Declaration has been 14 declared by the Governor."

Section 5. Submission of detailed report of expenditures on a quarterly
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Title 10 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *added* to read as follows:

"Section 45203. Submission of detailed report of expenditures on a
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 detailed report of the expenditures of the Guam Environmental Trust Fund, on
 a quarterly basis."

Section 6. Amendment to Section 4 of Public Law Number 21-10.
 Attorney General shall take action to recover damages from the parties responsible

for environmental damages to government and private property. Section 4 of Public
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3 "Section 4. The Attorney General shall take all necessary action
4 to recover damages from the parties responsible for environmental damages to
5 government and private property. Any damages collected as a result shall,
6 after deducting legal costs, be deposited into the Fund."

Section 7. Appropriation. There are hereby appropriated sums as
necessary to fund the Guam Environmental Protection Agency's *Hasso* Guam
recycling program twice each calendar year to be used exclusively for the clean up of
residential hazardous waste pursuant to the program's rules and regulations.

11 Section 8. Severability. *If* any provision of this Law or its application 12 to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such 13 invalidity shall *not* affect other provisions or applications of this Law which can be 14 given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the 15 provisions of this Law are severable.





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MEMORANDUM

- TO: Chairman Committee on Ways and Means
- FROM: Chairman Committee on Rules, General Governmental Operations, Reorganization and Reform, and Federal, Foreign and General Affairs
- SUBJECT: Principal Referral Bill No. 271 (COR)

The above bill is referred to your Committee as the Principal Committee, in accordance with Section 6.04.05.01. of the Standing Rules. Your Committee is the Committee authorized to perform the public hearing on this bill and to amend or substitute the bill, as well as report the bill out to the Body. It is recommended that you schedule a public hearing at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

MARK FORBES

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#### MINA'BENTE SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2002 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. <u>271</u> (<u>177</u>)-

Introduced by:

v.c. pangelinan J.M.S. Brown

#### AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION (a) OF SECTION 45200 OF ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 45 OF PART 2 OF DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE GUAM ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* 3 finds that the Guam Environmental Protection Agency's Hasso Guam 4 recycling program has the ability to protect our island community from 5 residential hazardous waste, thus protecting not only our environment, but 6 also most importantly, the people of Guam.

However, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that Hasso Guam has limited
financial resources, hence cannot successfully fulfill its overall objective in
ensuring that residential hazardous wastes such as nickel-cadmium batteries,
used oil, paint, spray paint cans, degreasing solvents, coolants, auto batteries,
pesticides, fertilizers, and among others, are properly disposed of on a regular
basis.

13 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to provide Hasso 14 Guam the financial assistance necessary, through funding from the Guam Environmental Trust Fund, in order to continue its effort in keeping our
 island safe from residential harmful waste.

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Further, to ensure that the Guam Environmental Trust Fund is not
misused and that possibility of mismanagement does not occur, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* intends to oversee the Fund by mandating that all expenditures from
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#### GUAM ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AHENSIAN PRUTEKSION LINA'LA GUAHAN

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY By Mr. Jesus T. Salas, Administrator Before the Committee on Ways and Means April 5, 2002

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Laws are in place to prevent misuse or mismanagement of local funds. The Attorney General's Office should be the starting point if there is evidence of such misbehavior on the part of a public official. In addition, quarterly reports can be provided showing expenditures from the fund. Requiring a legislative appropriation delays decisions required in an environmental crisis to protect public health and the environment. In fact, I have even tasked personnel to prepare a scope of work to outsource the handling of environmental emergencies to expedite activating response teams.

The funding of a quarterly Hasso Guam is appreciated but contradicts the purpose of this fund. This fund was created to handle sudden and unexpected environmental mishaps. My goal is to find other means to fund Hasso Guam including partnering with companies to donate their services to defray these costs. I would support an advanced disposal fee bill on items imported into Guam including white goods, tires or oils. I also support efforts made to draft a bottle bill. Companies have derived a profit from these items and should give back to the community to dispose of these wastes.

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Senator Kaleo S. Moylan Chairperson, Committee on Ways and Means Mina'Bente Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan Twenty-Sixth Guam Legislature

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March 26, 2002

The Honorable Carl T.C. Gutierrez Maga'lahen Guåhan R. J. Bordallo Governor's Complex Agana, Guam 96932

Re: Committee Public Hearing: Friday, April 5, 2002

Dear Governor Gutierrez:



This is to inform you that the Committee on Ways and Means will conduct a public hearing on Friday, April 5, 2002 commencing at 9:00 a.m. in the Legislative Public Hearing Room.

#### Legislative Measure:

**Bill No. 240 (LS),** AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT SECTION 21(a) OF CHAPTER III OF PUBLIC LAW NUMBER 26-35 AND TO APPROPRIATE TWO MILLION FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,400,000.00) FROM THE SERIES 2001A SUB-ACCOUNT OF THE HEALTH SECURITY TRUST FUND TO THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY FOR CAPITAL EXPENSES.

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Honorable Carl T.C. Gutierrez
March 26, 2002
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As these measures directly affect the government of Guam, the Committee encourages your participation and input at this hearing. The Committee would appreciate receiving fifteen (15) copies of your Administration's position statement and or documents relating to the subject matter prior to the start of the hearing. A copy of the hearing Agenda is enclosed for your reference and information.

Sincerely,

KALEO S. MOYLAN

Enclosures:

Senator Kaleo S. Moylan Chairperson, Committee on Ways and Means Mina'Bente Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan Twenty-Sixth Guam Legislature

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March 26, 2002

Mr. Paul D. Leon Guerrero Director Bureau of Budget and Management Research R. J. Bordallo Governor's Complex Hagåtña, Guam 96932

Re: Request for Fiscal Note

Dear Mr. Leon Guerrero:

Please find attached copies of Bill No. 240 (LS), and Bill Nos. 255, 271, 286, and 287 (COR), scheduled for public hearing on Friday, April 5, 2002. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 9, of Title 2 of the Guam Code Annotated, a fiscal note is being requested.

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Sincerely,

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Attachments:

Senator Kaleo S. Moylan Chairperson, Committee on Ways and Means Mina'Bente Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan Twenty-Sixth Guam Legislature

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Mr. Jesus Salas Administrator Guam Environmental Protection Agency Hagåtña, Guam 96910



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Dear Mr. Salas:

This is to inform you that the Committee on Ways and Means will conduct a public hearing on Friday, April 5, 2002 commencing at 9:00 a.m. in the Legislative Public Hearing Room. As Bill No. 271 (COR) directly impacts on GEPA, the Committee would appreciate receiving fifteen (15) copies of your position statement and or documents relating to the legislation prior to the start of the hearing.

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Sincerely,

KALEO S MOYLAN

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#### Senator Kaleo S. Moylan Chairperson, Committee on Ways and Means Mina'Bente Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan Twenty-Sixth Guam Legislature

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cc: All Senators Clerk of Legislature Protocol Media

## MINA'BENTE SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN Senator Kaleo S. Moylan, Chairman Committee on Ways and Means

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# Committee on Ways and Means

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## Attendance Sheet Friday, April 5, 2002

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	<u>Present</u>	Absent	Off-Island	Excused
Kaleo S. Moylan,				<u> </u>
Joanne M.S. Brown				
Antonio R. Unpingco				<del></del>
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# Attending Staff

Bertha Duenas Henry Cruz Fred M. Castro Jackie Suzuki	James P. Castro Paul Borja Josie Mendiola Briana San Nicolas	Tom Morrison Faith Mendiola John Dela Rosa
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#### THURSDAY - MARCH 28, 2002 - GUAM VARIETY NEWS AND VIEWS-13

coast of Nortolk Va., Tuesday. The tiretighters were presented the flag which they and another raised over Ground Zero, in a now-famous photo, as well as other flags that flew aboard the ship during it's sixmonth deployment in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Navy sailor DC3 Brian Smith, of Simi Valley, Calif., presents the Marine Corps flag to Johnson.

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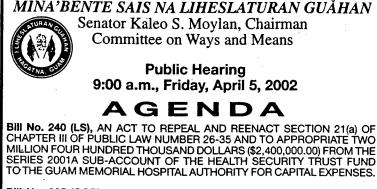
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ition "Mr. Teubert dearly loved to with read, and he told one or two of his friends that he couldn't imagine esin store. anything worse than losing his eyesight," said Jimelle Bowen, ild a : just the trust's executive director. "He said, 'I feel sorry for the blind. s ex-/ears They can't read and they can't see anything in this world."

But no one is entirely sure how he accumulated his wealth.

y for he accumulated his wealth. sman Teubert (prounced TOO-bert) d his never married, had no close relatives, and often wandered the streets of Huntington in cast-off with clothes and tennis shoes he s as scrounged from the Marshall Colput-lege athletic department.

"I think he could qualify as a eing 20th century Ebenezer Scrooge," on is said retired Huntington postmasple it ter Roy Hatton in an interview several years before his death last : city year. "I never knew him to have a car. He walked practically everythem 1 the where he went, and with his clothing, you'd think he was a homervant why less person rather than what he was."



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# THURSDAY - APRIL 4, 2002 - GUAM VARIETY NEWS AND VIEWS-11

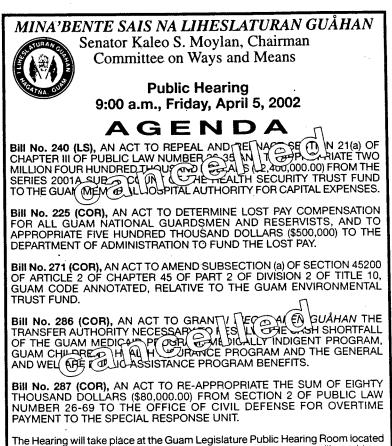
# Cruise ship rescues stranded 11-man crew

HONOLULU, Hawaii (AP) -Eleven crew members on an Indonesian tanker stranded at sea for more than two weeks were rescued by a cruise ship early Tuesday.

The Insiko had been adrift and unable to contact anyone since March 13 after a fire, Coast Guard Lt. Mia Dutcher said. The tanker's crew was rescued by the cruise ship Norwegian Star.

Insiko crew members said one of their shipmates died in the fire and another suffered burns over 50 percent of his body, Dutcher said. The injured man was to be flown by helicopter to a medical center.

The crew fired a signal flare and lit a fire to attract the cruise ship about 220 miles (354 kilometers) south of the island of Hawaii around 1:45 a.m. local time, Dutcher said. A Coast Guard cutter was expected to reach the cruise ship Tuesday afternoon to pick up crew members and take them to immigration officials for processing, Dutcher said.



The Hearing will take place at the Guam Legislature Public Hearing Hoom located at Hagåtña. Individuals requiring special accommodations, auxiliary aids or services are asked to contact the office of Senator Kaleo S. Moylan at 472-3342.

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also most importantly, the people of Guam.

However, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that Hasso Guam has limited
financial resources, hence cannot successfully fulfill its overall objective in
ensuring that residential hazardous wastes such as nickel-cadmium batteries,
used oil, paint, spray paint cans, degreasing solvents, coolants, auto batteries,
pesticides, fertilizers, and among others, are properly disposed of on a regular
basis.

13 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to provide Hasso 14 Guam the financial assistance necessary, through funding from the Guam

Environmental Trust Fund, in order to continue its effort in keeping our 1 2 island safe from residential harmful waste.

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Further, to ensure that the Guam Environmental Trust Fund is not misused and that possibility of mismanagement does not occur, I Liheslaturan 4 Guåhan intends to oversee the Fund by mandating that all expenditures from 5 the Fund must first be approved by I Liheslaturan Guåhan. 6

7 Section 2. Subsection (a) of Section 45200 of Article 2 of Chapter 45 of Part 2 of Division 2 of Title 10, Guam Code Annotated is hereby amended to 8 9 read as follows:

10 "(a) There is hereby created, separate and apart from other funds 11 of the government of Guam, a fund known as the Guam Environmental 12 Trust Fund (the "Fund"). The Fund shall not be commingled with the 13 General Fund and shall be kept in a separate bank account, subject to 14 legislative appropriation, to be used by the Administrator of the Guam 15 Environmental Protection Agency (the "Administrator") to clean up 16 hazardous materials and restore and repair damage done to the Guam 17 environment."

18 Section 3. There are hereby appropriated sums as necessary to fund 19 the Guam Environmental Protection Agency's Hasso Guam recycling 20 program quarterly in each calendar year to be used exclusively for the clean 21 up of residential hazardous waste pursuant to the program's rules and 22 regulations.

23 Section 4. Severability. If any provision of this Law or its application to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to 24

law, such invalidity shall *not* affect other provisions or applications of this
 Law which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application,
 and to this end the provisions of this Law are severable.