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The Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo Acting Speaker Mina' Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan 155 Hessler Street Hagåtña, Guam 96910 99.07.0995 Office of the Speaker MARK FORBES

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Dear Mr. Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 78(LS), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §3347 TO ARTICLE 3 OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO READING, WRITING, OR SENDING ELECTRONIC MESSAGES WHILE OPERATING A MOVING MOTOR VEHICLE; PRESCRIBING PENALTIES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE", which I signed into law on October 24, 2007 as Public Law 29-22.

Sinseru yan Magåhet,

FELIX P. CAMACHO

I Maga'låhen Guåhan Governor of Guam

Attachment: copy of Bill

cc: The Honorable Ray Tenorio
Senator and Legislative Secretary

Senator and Legislative Secretary

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MINA' BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

TWENTY-NINTH GUAM LEGISLATURE 155 Hessler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

October 15, 2007

The Honorable Felix P. Camacho I Maga'lahen Guåhan Ufisinan I Maga'lahi Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Maga'lahi Camacho:

Transmitted herewith are Bill Nos. 32(EC), 39(EC), 41(EC), 49(EC), 102(LS), 106(EC), 130(EC), 139(EC); and Substitute Bill Nos. 33(EC), 65(EC), 78(LS), 105(EC), 109(EC), 115(EC), 116(EC) & 132(EC) which were passed by *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on October 10, 2007.

Sincerely,

RAY TENORIO

Senator and Secretary of the Legislature

Enclosures (16)

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2007 (FIRST) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 78 (LS), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §3347 TO ARTICLE 3 OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO READING, WRITING, OR SENDING ELECTRONIC MESSAGES WHILE OPERATING A MOVING MOTOR VEHICLE; PRESCRIBING PENALTIES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE," was on the 10th day of October 2007, duly and regularly passed.

Attested: Ray Tenorio Senator and Secretary of the Legislature	Edward J.B. Calvo Acting Speaker
This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guåhan this	day of

FELIX P. CAMACHO I Maga'lahen Guåhan

Date: **94** oct **2007**Public Law No. **24-22**

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2007 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 78 (LS)

As substituted by the Committee on Public Safety, Criminal Justice and Youth and amended.

Introduced by:

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A. R. Unpingco
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AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW §3347 TO ARTICLE 3 OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO READING, WRITING, OR SENDING ELECTRONIC MESSAGES WHILE OPERATING A MOVING MOTOR VEHICLE; PRESCRIBING PENALTIES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Statement. The safe operation of a motor vehicle
- 3 requires a minimum of distraction in order to avoid the hazards one encounters on
- 4 Guam's roadways. The growing popularity of text messaging, e-mail, web

- 1 browsing, instant messaging and other "smart phone" applications on wireless
- 2 telephones amongst Guam's youth and adults must not become an additional
- 3 hazard to the safe operation of vehicles. It the intent of I Liheslaturan Guåhan to
- 4 make the reading, writing, or sending of electronic messages while operating a
- 5 motor vehicle a traffic violation.
- 6 Section 2. New Section. A new §3347 is added to Article 3 of Chapter 3,
- 7 Title 16 Guam Code Annotated to read as follows:
- 8 "§ 3347. (a) It is unlawful for a person to read, write, or send
- 9 electronic messages while operating a motor vehicle.
- 10 (b) Any person who violates the provisions of subsection (a) of this
- 11 Section is guilty of a violation and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed One
- 12 Hundred Dollars (\$100).
- 13 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of §9502 of Chapter 9.5 of Title 7
- 14 Guam Code Annotated, all fines collected under this Section shall be deposited
- 15 into the Police Services Fund and made available by appropriation by I
- 16 Liheslaturan Guåhan."
- 17 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Act *shall* become effective six (6) months
- 18 after enactment into law.