

EDDIE BAZA CALVO
Governor

RAY TENORIO
Lieutenant Governor

Office of the Governor of Guam

MAR 16 2016

Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker
I Mina'trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
155 Hesler Street
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

2016 MAR 16 PM 1:16
JK


Dear Madame Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 229-33 (COR), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 38 TO CHAPTER XII OF PUBLIC LAW 33-66, RELATIVE TO THE TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT OF RETIRED CONSERVATION OFFICERS AND LIMITED-TERM CONSERVATION OFFICER RECRUITS WITHIN THE DIVISION OF AQUATIC AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SHOULD A CRITICAL NEED ARISE DUE TO MILITARY ACTIVATION OR LONG-TERM DISABILITY," which I signed into law on March 4, 2016, as Public Law 33-131.

Senseramente,


EDDIE BAZA CALVO

33-16-1442
Office of the Speaker
Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D

Date: 3/16/16
Time: 10:50 AM
Received By: CARL 

1442

P.O. Box 2950 • Hagatna, Guam 96932
Tel: (671) 472-8931 • Fax: (671) 477-4826 • governor.guam.gov • calendar.guam.gov

 Eddie Baza Calvo  @eddiebazacalvo  @governorcalvo  You governorofguam

**I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2016 (SECOND) Regular Session**

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

This is to certify that **Substitute Bill No. 229-33 (COR), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 38 TO CHAPTER XII OF PUBLIC LAW 33-66, RELATIVE TO THE TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT OF RETIRED CONSERVATION OFFICERS AND LIMITED-TERM CONSERVATION OFFICER RECRUITS WITHIN THE DIVISION OF AQUATIC AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SHOULD A CRITICAL NEED ARISE DUE TO MILITARY ACTIVATION OR LONG-TERM DISABILITY,"** was on the 18th day of February 2016, duly and regularly passed.



**Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker**

Attested: 

**Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Legislative Secretary**

This Act was received by *I Maga'låhen Guåhan* this 22ND day of FEBRUARY,
2016, at 2:59 o'clock P.M.



Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'låhi's Office

APPROVED:



EDWARD J.B. CALVO
I Maga'låhen Guåhan

Date: MAR 04 2016

Public Law No. 33-131

I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2016 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 229-33 (COR)

As substituted by the Committee on
the Guam U.S. Military Relocation,
Public Safety and Judiciary.

Introduced by:

FRANK B. AGUON, JR.

T. C. Ada

V. Anthony Ada

Frank F. Blas, Jr.

B. J.F. Cruz

James V. Espaldon

Brant T. McCreadie

Tommy Morrison

T. R. Muña Barnes

R. J. Respicio

Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.

Michael F.Q. San Nicolas

Mary Camacho Torres

N. B. Underwood, Ph.D.

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

**AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 38 TO CHAPTER XII
OF PUBLIC LAW 33-66, RELATIVE TO THE
TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT OF RETIRED
CONSERVATION OFFICERS AND LIMITED-TERM
CONSERVATION OFFICER RECRUITS WITHIN THE
DIVISION OF AQUATIC AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SHOULD A
CRITICAL NEED ARISE DUE TO MILITARY
ACTIVATION OR LONG-TERM DISABILITY.**

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

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds
3 that Conservation Officers within the Division of Aquatic and Wildlife Resources

1 (DAWR) of the Department of Agriculture, like many other peace officers, are
2 service-minded individuals who often serve their country as reservists in the U.S.
3 military reserve programs and/or the Guam National Guard. The activation and
4 deployment of these military forces have an impact on the performance of the
5 DAWR where adequate replacements are unavailable.

6 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to allow the Chief
7 Conservation Officer to temporarily employ retired conservation officers and
8 limited-term conservation officer recruits in order to meet the needs of the DAWR.

9 **Section 2.** A new Section 38 is hereby *added* to Chapter XII of Public Law
10 33-66 to read as follows:

11 **“Section 38. Temporary Employment of Retired Guam**
12 **Conservation Officers.** The Division of Aquatic and Wildlife Resources
13 (DAWR) of the Department of Agriculture may hire retired conservation
14 officers and limited-term conservation officer recruits if a critical need arises
15 because of military activation of conservation officers, or absence due to a
16 long-term disability status which has been certified by a medical doctor. The
17 DAWR may exercise this hiring authority, *provided* its authorized budget for
18 personnel is *not* exceeded. The retiree or recruit hired *shall* fill such a
19 temporarily vacant position and *shall* be terminated when the incumbent
20 returns from military service or long-term disability. Retired officers or
21 recruits may be hired *only* at the ranks of Conservation Officer I and below,
22 *only* at Step I, and *shall not* receive sick and annual leave. Conservation
23 officers hired under this Section *shall* first meet the requirements of the
24 position in question, *except* for written examinations, and the Chief
25 Conservation Officer *shall* certify that every retiree hired is fit for duty.
26 Notwithstanding § 8121(a), Title 4, Guam Code Annotated, retirees hired
27 temporarily pursuant to this Section may continue to receive retirement

1 benefits. Any employee hired under this Section *shall only* be eligible to enroll
2 in the Government of Guam Health Insurance Program as an active employee.
3 The Director of the Department of Agriculture *shall* report to *I Liheslaturan*
4 *Guåhan* on July 1, 2016, and again thirty (30) days after the end of the fiscal
5 year, of the number of retired conservation officers and limited-term
6 conservation officer recruits hired pursuant to this Section, the positions filled,
7 the length of employment, the cost of said hiring, and the nature of the critical
8 need that was filled.”