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September 16, 2015

Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
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Dear Madame Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 97-33 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND § 7117 OF CHAPTER 7 OF TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING THE ISSUE OF SALVAGE TITLE CERTIFICATES OF OWNERSHIP FOR VEHICLES TRANSFERRED TO INSURANCE COMPANIES AS A RESULT OF PAYMENT OF CLAIMS FOR TOTAL LOSS," which was signed into law on SEPTEMBER 15, 2015 as **Public Law 33-69**.

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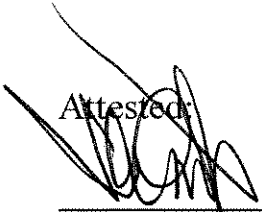
I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2015 (FIRST) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LÁHEN GUÁHAN

This is to certify that **Bill No. 97-33 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND § 7117 OF CHAPTER 7 OF TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING THE ISSUE OF SALVAGE TITLE CERTIFICATES OF OWNERSHIP FOR VEHICLES TRANSFERRED TO INSURANCE COMPANIES AS A RESULT OF PAYMENT OF CLAIMS FOR TOTAL LOSS,"** was on the 3rd day of September 2015, duly and regularly passed.



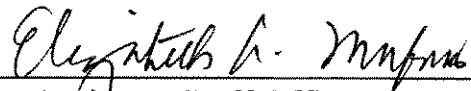
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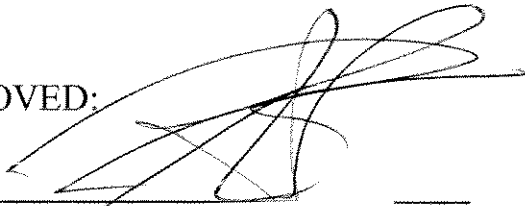
Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'láhen Guáhan* this 3rd day of Sept,
2015, at 4:45 o'clock P.M.



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APPROVED:



RAYMOND S. TENORIO
Acting Governor of Guam

Date: SEP 15 2015

Public Law No. 33-69

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Bill No. 97-33 (COR)

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. § 7117 of Chapter 7 of Title 16, Guam Code Annotated, is amended to read as follows:

“§ 7117. Certificate: Contents.

1 (a) The certificate of ownership *shall* contain upon the face
2 thereof the identical information required upon the face of the
3 registration card.

4 (b) The certificate of ownership *shall* contain upon the
5 reverse side, forms for notice to the Department of a transfer of the
6 title or interest of the owner or legal owner and application for such
7 transfer by the transferee.

8 (c) The certificate of ownership of a vehicle where title is
9 acquired by an insurance company as a result of payment of an
10 insurance claim *shall* prominently display the words "Salvage Title"
11 on said certificate. The words "Salvage Title" *shall* remain on the
12 certificate title in perpetuity for all successive owners of said vehicle
13 or any secondary vehicle from which said vehicle's chassis or parts of
14 said vehicle's chassis is used to repair, replace or refurbish the
15 secondary vehicle.

16 Failure to disclose such insurance claim information, as stated
17 in this subsection, to the Department of Revenue and Taxation when
18 transferring ownership is a civil violation and subject to a fine of *not*
19 *less than* Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). For purposes of this
20 Subsection, *salvage* refers to any vehicle for which an insurance
21 company has deemed not economically feasible to repair.

22 (d) An insurance company that obtains ownership by
23 payment of a claim for the full insured value of a vehicle *shall* obtain
24 a salvage title certificate of ownership, within ten (10) days of the
25 payment of such claim (weekends and government of Guam holidays
26 excepted), from the Department of Revenue and Taxation prior to
27 selling or otherwise disposing of the vehicle. The Department of

1 Revenue and Taxation may charge said insurance company a fee not
2 to exceed Three Dollars (\$3.00). Subsequent sales or transfers of a
3 vehicle with a salvage title *shall* be subject to a fee of Twenty-five
4 Dollars (\$25.00). Fee revenues herein *shall* be deposited in the Better
5 Public Service Fund, and are continually appropriated to the Motor
6 Vehicle Division of the Department of Revenue and Taxation.

7 (e) In the event that an insurance company pays a claim for
8 the full insured value of a vehicle and allows the insured to retain
9 ownership of the vehicle, the insurance company *shall*, within ten (10)
10 days of the payment of such claim (weekends and government of
11 Guam holidays excepted), notify the Motor Vehicle Division of the
12 Department of Revenue and Taxation of such claim. Subsequent
13 transfers of ownership of said vehicles *shall* be issued a salvage title
14 certificate of ownership, pursuant to this Subsection.

15 (f) A vehicle that receives a salvage title certificate of
16 ownership may be registered for use on Guam's public roadways;
17 *provided*, that such vehicle is deemed safe for use on public roads by a
18 manufacturer authorized repair shop.”