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CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 292, "An Act to amend Sections 21000 through 21006, Section 21008, and to repeal Section 21009, Government Code of Guam, relating to the Board of Utility Rates," was on the 6th day of February, 1962, duly and regularly passed.

A. R. WON PAT Speaker

ATTESTED:

V. B. BAMBA
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this day of _______ 1962 at ______ o'clock ______ No.

/s/ Manuel F.L. Guarate

MANUEL F. L. GUERRERO Secretary of Guam

APPROVED:

/s/ BILL DANIEL

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Introduced by Committee on Rules, by request

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 21000 THROUGH 21006. SECTION 21008, AND TO REPEAL SECTION 21009. GOVERNMENT CODE OF GUAM, RELATING TO THE BOARD ON BTILITY RATES.

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

Section 1. Section 21000. Government Code of Guam, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 21000. Board. For the purpose of insuring fair and reasonable public utility rates including all related service, meter and other charges for all public utility services furnished by the Government of Guas comprising a rate structure that is uniform and impartial with respect to all users similarly situated or falling within categories of standardized designation, there is within the government of Guas a Board on Utility Rates, hereinafter referred to as the 'Board'."

Section 2. Section 21001, Government Code of Guam, is hereby smended to read as follows:

"Section 21001. Composition. The Board shall be composed of three members to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Legislature. The Governor shall select the chairman. The members of the Board shall serve for a term of two years and without remuneration."

Section 3. Section 21002, Government Code of Guam, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 21002. Cognizance. The provisions of this chapter and the cognizance of the Board shall extend to all public utility services furnished to non-governmental and governmental consumers of every kind and category."

Section 4. Section 21003. Government Code of Guam, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 21003. Functions. The functions of the Board

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The freezest to construction shall be to formulate, establish and publish, and from time to 1 time to review and where necessary revise, subject to the approval of the Governor by Executive Order, fair and reasonable 3 schedules, uniform as to classes, of public utility rates 0 including all related service, meter and other applicable charges for all public utility services furnished by the 0 Government of Guam. Such schedules may provide for separate 7 residential, commercial, industrial or other standardized categories of rates. The Board shall annually, and may in its 9 discretion more often upon complaint or upon its own motion, 10 review and recommend revision of such schedules of rates and 11 related charges as may at any time be in effect." 12 Section 5. Section 21004. Government Code of Guam, is hereby 13 amended to read as follows: 14 "Section 21004. Information to be furnished. All departments 15 and agencies of the Government of Guam concerned shall furnish 16 the Board all available information concerning all elements of 17 costs of furnishing public utility services, together with any 10 other data or information pertinent to the Board's determination 19 of any schedule of rates and charges." 20 Section 6. Section 21005, Government Code of Guam, is hereby 21 amended to read as follows: 2 "Section 21005. Name: Public hearings. Before adopting 23 any schedule establishing or increasing public utility rates. 24 including any service, meter, or other applicable charges, the 25 Board shall held at least one public hearing thereon, notice of 26 the time and place of which shall be given by at least one 27 publication in a newspaper of general circulation in Guam, at least ten days before the date of said hearing. The Board, with 29 the unanimous consent of its members, may subpoens witnesses. 30 books and records. Schedules or portions of schedules reducing 31 rates may be adopted without public hearing." 32 - 2 -

Section 7. Section 21006, Government Code of Guas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

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"Section 21006. Effective date of public utility rates.

Every approved schedule of public utility rates or modification thereof, shall become effective on the first day of the month following the date of publication thereof."

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Section 8. Section 21009, Government Code of Guam, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 21008. Records. The Board shall maintain on file, open to public inspection during its regular hours of business, all approved schedules of public utility rates and related charges."

Section 9. Section 21009, Government Code of Guam, is hereby repealed.

Section 10. This Act is an urgency measure.