

SEVENTH GUAM LEGISLATURE
1964 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 233, "An Act to amend Section 9500.8 of Subchapter A, Chapter 6, Title X, and to add new Sections 9500.15 and 9500.16 to Subchapter A, Chapter 6, Title X, all of the Government Code of Guam, relative to the abatement of public nuisance", was on the 11th day of February, 1964, duly and regularly passed.

A. B. WON PAT
Speaker

ATTESTED:

F. T. RAMIREZ
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this 18th day
of February, 1964 at _____ o'clock _____ M.

DENVER DICKERSON
Secretary of Guam

APPROVED:

MANUEL F.L. GUERRERO
Governor of Guam

DATED: March 4, 1964

Bill No. 233

Introduced by _____
Committee on Rules, by
request of the Governor
in accordance with Section
6(b) of the Organic Act
of Guam.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9500.8 OF SUBCHAPTER
A, CHAPTER 6, TITLE X, AND TO ADD NEW SECTIONS
9500.15 AND 9500.16 TO SUBCHAPTER A, CHAPTER 6,
TITLE X, ALL OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE OF GUAM,
RELATIVE TO THE ABATEMENT OF PUBLIC NUISANCES.

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

2 Section 1. Section 9500.8, Government Code of Guam, is hereby
3 amended to read as follows:

4 "Section 9500.8. Abating Public Nuisance on
5 Private Property. In lieu of, or in addition to, the
6 action authorized by Section 9500.7, the Director is
7 authorized to abate and remove any public nuisance
8 after written notice to the owner of the premises on
9 which any public nuisance exists that if such nuisance
10 is not abated within 10 days from the date of the notice,
11 the Director will do so at the owner's expense. The
12 cost of the abatement of the nuisance by the Director
13 shall be a lien against the property on which the
14 nuisance was maintained and a personal obligation
15 against the property owner."

16 Section 2. A new Section 9500.15 is hereby added to the Govern-
17 ment Code of Guam to read as follows:

18 "Section 9500.15. Additional Enforcement.

19 (a) The Director of Public Works and the
20 Director of Public Safety, or their
21 authorized representatives, are directed
22 and authorized to make inspections of
23 all private grounds and buildings in

1 order to determine the existence of any
2 public nuisance defined in Part III of
3 Division Fourth, Civil Code of Guam.

4 (b) Upon determination that a public nuisance
5 exists as contemplated by subsection (a),
6 the officer acting under said subsection
7 shall give the property owner a written
8 notice to abate the nuisance within 10 days
9 from the date of the notice following the
10 procedure set out in Section 9500.10.

11 (c) Should the property owner fail to comply
12 with the notice provided above, the Director
13 of Public Works is authorized to abate and
14 remove any public nuisance. The cost of
15 such abatement or removal shall be a lien
16 against the property on which the nuisance
17 was maintained and shall be a personal
18 obligation against the property owner.

19 (d) In addition or as an alternative to the
20 other remedies provided by this Section,
21 the Attorney General may apply, following
22 noncompliance with the notice, to the
23 Island Court of Guam for an injunction
24 or other relief to abate the nuisance."

25 Section 3. A new Section 9500.16 is hereby added to the Government
26 Code of Guam to read as follows:

27 "Section 9500.16. Jurisdiction. The Island
28 Court of Guam shall have jurisdiction over all actions
29 arising from the provisions of this Chapter."

30 Section 4. This Act is an urgency measure.