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CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO THE GOVERNOR

This is to certify that Bill No. 56, "An Act to renumber Sections 274, 275, 276, and 277 of the Code of Civil Procedure of the territory of Guam to Sections 278, 279, 280 and 281, respectively, and to add new Sections 274, 275, 276 and 277 to the said Code of Civil Procedure to create a juvenile crime prevention branch", was on the 6th day of February, 1967, duly and regularly passed.

W. D. L. FLORES
Vice-Speaker

ATTESTED:

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E. S. Terlaje

E. S. TERLAJE
Acting Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by the Governor this 28th day
of February, 1967 at 9:25 o'clock A. M.

/s/ RUDOLPH G. SABLAN

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Acting Secretary of Guam

APPROVED:

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AN ACT TO RENUMBER SECTIONS 274, 275, 276, AND
277 OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE OF THE TERRITORY
OF GUAM TO SECTIONS 278, 279, 280 AND 281, RESPEC-
TIVELY, AND TO ADD NEW SECTIONS 274, 275, 276 AND
277 TO THE SAID CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE TO CREATE
A JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION BRANCH.

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

2 Section 1. Sections 274, 275, 276 and 277 of the Code of Civil
3 Procedure of the territory of Guam are hereby renumbered Sections 278, 279,
4 280 and 281, respectively.

5 Section 2. A new Section 274 is hereby added to the said Code of
6 Civil Procedure to read as follows:

7 "Section 274. Juvenile crime prevention branch; establish-
8 ment of. The Director of Public Safety shall establish under his
9 jurisdiction a juvenile crime prevention branch, to be maintained
10 and conducted as hereinafter provided."

11 Section 3. Section 275 is hereby added to the Code of Civil
12 Procedure to read as follows:

13 "Section 275. Duties and powers; reports. The juvenile
14 crime prevention branch shall direct its attention specifically
15 to the suppression, prevention and investigation of crimes
16 committed by the children under the age of eighteen years, and
17 any police officer shall have the power and authority to take
18 and detain, for not to exceed six hours, any minor coming within
19 the provisions of subsections (a) or (d) of Section 252 at the
20 branch or other suitable places for questioning and investigation.
21 If it appears upon conclusion of such investigation that such
22 minor does come within such provisions, he shall be referred to
23 the Juvenile Court, and a written report of the findings of the
24 officer shall be submitted to the court at the time of referral."

1 Section 4. Section 276 is hereby added to the Code of Civil
2 Procedure to read as follows:

3 "Section 276. No limitations on Juvenile Court.

4 Nothing in Sections 274 or 275 contained shall be construed
5 to divest the Juvenile Court of any of its powers, but the
6 same shall specifically grant to the police division of the
7 Department of Public Safety the power to take, detain,
8 question, investigate and refer to appropriate social or
9 other agencies, private or governmental, as the facts of the
10 case appear to justify minors coming within the provisions of
11 Section 275, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 260."

12 Section 5. Section 277 is hereby added to the Code of Civil
13 Procedure to read as follows:

14 "Section 277. Rules and standards; investigation and
15 questioning; fingerprinting and photographing. The judges
16 of the Juvenile Court shall make such rules and set up such
17 standards of investigation and questioning as they consider
18 necessary to guide and control the police in the handling of
19 cases involving minors coming within the provisions of this
20 chapter. Such rules and standards shall include limitations
21 and restrictions concerning the fingerprinting and photograph-
22 ing of any child in police custody. Such rules shall be enforce-
23 able as orders of the court."

24 Section 6. This Act is an urgency measure.