

A LOCAL ACT

To regulate the movement of certain vehicles during certain hours on Beach Road on the Island of Saipan.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4 OF DIVISION 1 OF TITLE 1 OF THE COMMONWEALTH CODE:

1 Section 1. Short Title. This act may be cited as the
2 Saipan Truck Route Act of 1986.

3 Section 2. Findings and Purpose. The Legislators of
4 the Third Senatorial District find that:

5 (a) There are two main arteries for the routing
6 of vehicular traffic travelling in a northerly or
7 southerly direction on the Island of Saipan; these
8 being Beach Road and Chalan Pale Arnold Highway.

9 (b) Traffic congestion of Beach Road during
10 certain peak hours is excessive.

11 (c) A major source of this congestion is in large
12 part certain slow moving large commercial vehicles
13 utilizing Beach Road.

14 (d) Heavy commercial vehicles could be directed
15 and routed to use Chalan Pale Arnold Highway during
16 certain peak traffic hours to relieve congestion on
17 Beach Road thereby providing increased safety for those
18 using Beach Road.

19 It is the intent of this act to provide increased safety and
20 expedite the flow of vehicular traffic on the streets of
21 Saipan by prohibiting certain commercial through traffic on

1 Beach Road during certain hours.

2 Section 3. Definitions. The following words and
3 phrases have the meanings ascribed to them in this act,
4 except where the context indicates a different meaning.

5 (a) "Motor vehicle" for purposes of this act
6 means any motor truck or motor vehicle as defined in
7 9 CMC Section 1102(t) and (u) respectively.

8 (b) "Commercial vehicle" means any motor vehicle
9 having a gross vehicular weight of eight thousand
10 pounds or more.

11 Section 4. Truck Route Established. The operator of
12 any commercial motor vehicle shall not drive on Beach Road
13 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
14 12:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday through
15 Friday.

16 Section 5. Exceptions. The provisions of this act do
17 not apply to:

18 (a) School buses loading and unloading passengers; or

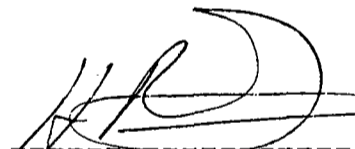
19 (b) Any publicly owned vehicle by a public company
20 company while necessarily in use in the construction,
21 installation or repair of any public utility.

22 Section 6. Penalty. Every person found in violation
23 of this Act shall be guilty of an infraction punishable by
24 a fine of not more than \$100 for a first conviction, \$250
25 for a second conviction within a period of one year and

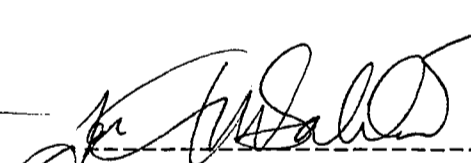
1 \$500 for any subsequent conviction within a period of one
2 year.

3 Section 7. Severability. If any provision of this Act
4 or of any regulation or order issued under this Act, or the
5 application as such provision, regulation, or order to any
6 person or circumstances shall be held invalid by a court of
7 competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act, or of
8 such regulation or order, or the application of such
9 provision, regulation, or order to person or circumstances
10 other than those to which it is held invalid, shall not be
11 affected thereby.

12 Section 8. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect
13 upon its approval by the Governor, or upon its becoming law
14 without such approval.

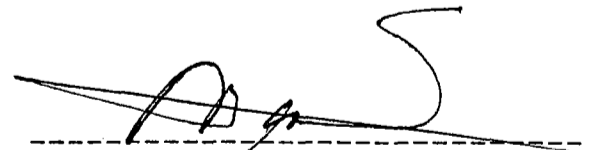


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