

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

Eloy S. Inos Governor Ralph DLG. Torres
Lieutenant Governor

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Honorable Francisco M. Borja Chairman, Tinian and Aguiguan Legislation Delegation Nineteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Saipan, MP 96950

Honorable Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero Speaker, House of Representatives Nineteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have approved in part, and disapproved in part, House Local Bill No. 19-17, D1, an Act for the Second Senatorial District "To re-appropriate \$390,000.00 from Tinian Local Law 18-09; and for other purposes," which was passed by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation of the Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

HLB 19-17, D1 seeks to re-appropriate \$390,000 from Tinian Local Law 18-08. Section 2 of the bill lists the items of appropriation. Section 2(e) of the bill appropriates "the balance of the appropriation to hire not less than ten full-time equivalent positions for Fiscal Year 2015." This item is too vague and must be more specific as to the amount of money being appropriated. I therefore exercise the line item veto authority granted in Article II, Section 7(a) of the Commonwealth Constitution and disapprove Section 2(e).

For the reasons stated above, I am returning House Local Bill 19-17, D1 approved in part and disapproved in part.

This bill becomes Tinian Local Law No. 19-3. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

ELOY S. INOS

CC: Lt. Governor

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TINIAN & AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT NINETEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 2015

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 19-17, D1

A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT FOR THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT

To re-appropriate \$390,000.00 from the Tinian Local Law 18-09; and for other purposes.

Offered by

Representative Edwin P. Aldan

on

February 27, 2015

HOUSE ACTION

Transmitted to Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action on April 14, 2015.

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred to

: None

Comments Solicited

4/14/15 - Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan; Chairman,

Tinian & Aguiguan Municipal Council [Ref. Delegation Matter 19-11 & 19-12]

Comments Received

4/15/15 - Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan

[Ref. Mayor's Comm. 19-6]

Standing Committee Report

None

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Passed First & Final Reading

April 21, 2015

Alicia DLG. Leon Guerrero, Delegation Clerk

TINIAN & AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

Nineteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature **Second Senatorial District**

FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 2015

House Local Bill No. 19-17, D1

A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT FOR THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT

To re-appropriate \$390,000.00 from the Tinian Local Law 18-09; and for other purposes.

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

- Section 1. Short Title. The purpose of this Act is to re-appropriate \$390,000.00 from Tinian Local Law 18-09 for the personnel needs of the Municipality of Tinian and Aguiguan.
- Re-appropriation. There is hereby re-appropriated \$390,000.00 from Tinian Section 2. Local Law 18-09, to be expended as follows:
 - The amount of \$50,000.00 shall be for the Mayor's Contingency Account. a)
 - b) \$50,000 for professional services related to municipal matters, including the review of the draft EIS.
 - \$20,000 for the 2015 San Jose Fiesta.
 - \$50,000 for the 30% early retirement bonus owed to former Tinian employees. d)
 - The Office of the Mayor shall use the balance of the appropriation to hire not

less than ten full-time equivalent positions for Fiscal Year 2015.

Section 3. Expenditure Authority. For the funds appropriated under section 2(a), (b), (c),

(d), and (e) of this Act, the Mayor of Tinian shall be the expenditure authority.

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Section 4. <u>Management of Funds</u>. Funds appropriated under this Act shall be transferred to an account to be set up by the Tinian Municipal Treasurer. The Tinian Municipal Treasurer shall regulate and control the funds appropriated under this Act so that no activity may spend contrary to this Act or fiscal management policies of the Municipality or the Commonwealth.

Section 5. <u>Severability.</u> If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act or the application of its provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.

Section 6. Savings Clause. This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of the Act shall not have the effect of terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or its becoming law without such approval.

CERTIFIED BY:

Franciso M. Borja

_Chairman

Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation

Joseph/P. Deleon Guerrero

Speaker

House of Representatives

Eloy S. Inos

Governor

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands