

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

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Honorable Jude U. Hofschneider Chairman, Tinian and Aguiguan Legislation Delegation Nineteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Saipan, MP 96950

Honorable Rafael S. Demapan 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 signed into law H.L.B. 19-67, D1, entitled, "To appropriate Two Million US Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) specifically allotted to the Second Senatorial District under Public Law No. 18-56 for Fiscal year 2017; and for other purposes." The bill was passed by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation of the Nineteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This bill becomes **Tinian Local Law No. 19-14.** Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely.

VICTOR B. HOCOG Acting Governor

cc: Governor; Press Secietary; Tinian Casino Gaming Commission; Tinian Mayor; Tinian Municipal Council; Tinian Municipal Scholarship Board; Marianas Public Land Trust; Commonwealth Law Revision; Secretary of Finance; Special Assistant for Administration; Special Assistant for Programs & Legislative Review; Attorney General



TINIAN & AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

Second Senatorial District Nineteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature P. O. Box 500129 Saipan, MP 96950

Senator Jude U. Hofschneider, Chairman Senator Francisco Q. Cruz, Vice Chairman Representative Edwin P. Aldan, Floor Leader Senator Francisco M. Borja, Legislative Secretary

September 12, 2016

The Honorable Francisco M. Borja Acting Governor Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Is. Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Acting Governor Borja:

I am honored to transmit for your action House Local Bill No. 19-67, D1, entitled:

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

To appropriate Two Million US Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) specifically allotted to the Second Senatorial District under Public Law No. 18-56 for Fiscal Year 2017; and for other purposes.

This bill was passed unanimously, a quorum duly present, by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation, Nineteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature on First and Final Reading, during its 2nd Day, Fourth Regular Session 2016 held on September 09, 2016, at the Senate President's Conference Room, Saipan.

Respectfully submitted,

Dolores S. Bermudes
Acting Delegation Clerk

Enclosures



TINIAN & AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT NINETEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2016

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 19-67, D1

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Offered by

Representative Edwin P. Aldan

on

August 11, 2016

HOUSE ACTION

Transmitted to Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action on August 12, 2016.

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred to

None

Comments Solicited

: 8/12/16 - Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan; Chairman,

Tinian & Aguiguan Municipal Council [Ref. Delegation Matter 19-41 & 19-42]

Comments Received

9/02/16 - Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan

[Ref. Mayor's Comm. 19-47]

Standing Committee Report

: None

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Passed First & Final Reading

: September 09, 2016

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Dolores S. Bermudes, Acting Delegation Clerk



TINIAN & AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

Nineteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Second Senatorial District

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2016

House Local Bill No. 19-67, D1

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

SECTION 1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds specifically allotted to the Second Senatorial District under Public Law No. 18-56 for Fiscal Year 2017.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.

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Notwithstanding any provision, statutes, laws or regulations to the contrary, the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation hereby appropriates the amount of Two Million US Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) of the funds allotted to the Second Senatorial District under Public Law No. 18-56 as follows:

(a) \$1,100,000.00 for the payment of the twenty-five percent (25%) retirement cut

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restoration for the retirees and survivors of the Second Senatorial District residing in Tinian and outside of Tinian under the expenditure authority of the Secretary of the Department of Finance. At the end of the fiscal year, the Secretary of Finance shall give an accounting of the actual amount paid out for the 25% retirement cut restoration.

- (b) \$ 485,000.00 for the second annual payment of the \$1,349,367.96 loan from Marianas Public Land Trust, including 5% interest thereon, for satisfaction of *US v. Borja* judgment Payment Installment Agreement. The Secretary of Finance shall transfer these funds no later than fifteen (15) days of receipt to the Marianas Public Land Trust.
- (c) \$ 415,000.00 for programs and activities in the Second Senatorial District to be expended as follows:
 - (1) To supplement any shortfall in revenue supporting locally funded personnel and operations under the Office of the Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan, the Tinian Municipal Treasurer and the Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission \$205,000.00
 - (2) Tinian Municipal Scholarship

\$ 60,000.00

(3) Monthly subsistence allowance of \$200.00 per patient for dialysis, cancer, multiple sclerosis, debilitating epilepsy seizure disorder, dermatomyositis, arrhythmia, hemophiliac and post cerebral vascular accident patients from Tinian \$50,000.00

SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.

- (a) For the funds appropriated under Sections 2(a) and (b) of this Act, the Secretary of Finance shall be the expenditure authority.
- (b) For the funds appropriated under Section 2(c)(1) and (3) this Act, the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan shall be the expenditure authority. For the funds appropriated under

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SECTION 4. MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS.

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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 of the Northern Mariana Islands. **SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.**

section 2(c)(2) of this Act, the Chairman of the Tinian Municipal Scholarship Board shall be

The funds appropriated under Section 2(c) of this Act shall be transferred to an account

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.

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SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

CERTIFIED BY:

Jud U. Hofschreiger

Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation

Rafael S. Demapan Speaker

House of Representatives

Approved this 19th day of September 2016.

VICTOR B. HOCOG

Acting Governor

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