
AN ACT

Making appropriations for the Department of Finance and related activities for Fiscal Year 1981, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:

1 Section 1. Purpose. This Act appropriates funds from the General Fund
2 for the non-capital operations and activities of the Department of Finance,
3 for various special funds administered by the Director of Finance, for
4 contributions to organizations of which the Commonwealth is a member or in
5 which it participates, and for settlement of adjudicated claims against the
6 Commonwealth, for Fiscal Year 1981, commencing October 1, 1980 extending
7 through September 30, 1981.

8 Section 2. Appropriation. (a) For the non-capital operations and
9 activities of the Department of Finance the following sums are hereby
10 appropriated from the General Fund:

11 (1) Office of the Director:

12 Item 1. For personal services and personnel benefits
13 for not more than 5 employees, including the
14 Director of Finance \$ 81,300
15 Item 2. For all other necessary expenditures \$ 9,500

16 (2) Finance and Accounting Division:

17 Item 3. For personal services and personnel benefits
18 for not more than 2 employees in Rota \$ 13,500
19 Item 4. For personal services and personnel
20 benefits for not more than 4 employees
21 in Tinian and Aguiguan \$ 26,700

1	Item 5.	For personal services and personnel	
2		benefits for not more than 28 employees	
3		in Saipan and the Northern Islands	\$ <u>255,600</u>
4	Item 6.	For all other necessary expenditures	
5		in Rota	\$ <u>1,500</u>
6	Item 7.	For all other necessary expenditures	
7		in Tinian and Aguiguan	\$ <u>1,900</u>
8	Item 8.	For all other necessary expenditures in	
9		Saipan and the Northern Islands	\$ <u>62,200</u>
10	(3)	<u>Revenue and Taxation Division:</u>	
11	Item 9.	For personal services and personnel benefits	
12		for not more than 38 employees	\$ <u>268,800</u>
13	Item 10.	For all other necessary expenditures	\$ <u>47,800</u>
14	(4)	<u>Procurement and Supply Division:</u>	
15	Item 11.	For personal services and personnel	
16		benefits for not more than 3 employees	
17		in Rota	\$ <u>14,300</u>
18	Item 12.	For personal services and personnel	
19		benefits for not more than 1 employee	
20		in Tinian and Aguiguan	\$ <u>7,800</u>
21	Item 13.	For personal services and personnel	
22		benefits for not more than 15 employees	
23		in Saipan and the Northern Islands	\$ <u>120,900</u>
24	Item 14.	For all other necessary expenditures	
25		in Rota	\$ <u>2,500</u>

1	Item 15.	For all other necessary expenditures in	
2		Tinian and Aguiguan	\$ <u>1,700</u>
3	Item 16.	For all other necessary expenditures in	
4		Saipan and the Northern Islands	\$ <u>23,000</u>
5	(5)	<u>Treasurer:</u>	
6	Item 17.	For personal services and personnel benefits	
7		for not more than 4 employees	\$ <u>43,000</u>
8	Item 18.	For all other necessary expenditures	\$ <u>13,300</u>
9	(b)	For special funds, contributions, and claims, the following	
10		sums are hereby appropriated to the Director of Finance from the General Fund:	
11	Item 19.	For the Government Office Rental Fund	\$ <u>163,800</u>
12	Item 20.	For the Membership Dues of the National	
13		Governor's Association	\$ <u>7,200</u>
14	Item 21.	For the Commonwealth's Contribution to	
15		the Commission on Federal Laws	\$ <u>7,500</u>
16	Item 22.	For Northern Islands Field Trip	
17		Expenses	\$ <u>62,600</u>
18	Item 23.	For the Commonwealth's Contribution	
19		to the Pacific Basin Development	
20		Council	\$ <u>28,200</u>
21	Item 24.	For the Commonwealth's Contribution to	
22		the South Pacific Commission	\$ <u>2,000</u>
23	Item 25.	For Adjudicated Claims and Judgments	
24		against the Commonwealth of the Northern	
25		Mariana Islands	\$ <u>55,200</u>

1	The amount appropriated by this Item
2	shall be allocated as follows:
3	(a3) <u>Brian King Mendiola v. CNMI</u> \$ <u>55,100</u>
4	(b) <u>Macaranas v. CNMI</u> \$ <u>100</u>

5 Section 3. Prohibition. No obligation, expenditure, agreement or
6 contract for expenditure of Commonwealth Funds appropriated by this Act
7 shall be made for any purpose other than the purposes for which the funds
8 are appropriated and only as authorized by the Director of Finance or his
9 designee. No funds appropriated by this Act shall be obligated, encumbered
10 or otherwise committed after September 30, 1981. No funds appropriated by
11 Section 2(b), Item 25 of this Act shall be expended without the concurrence
12 of the Attorney General.

13 Section 4. Reprogramming. No funds appropriated by this Act shall be
14 reprogrammed or reallocated except pursuant to this section, or as otherwise
15 provided by law. No employee ceiling limit imposed by this Act may be changed
16 or reprogrammed except with the approval of the Legislature as provided in this
17 section. No funds shall be reprogrammed other than to another item in this Act,
18 except pursuant to a reallocation or change under Article III, Section 15 of
19 the Constitution. Subject to the restrictions of this Act, the Director, with
20 the approval of the Governor, may reprogram funds between or among the items
21 in Section 2(a) of this Act in any amount that does not increase or decrease
22 the amount of any such item by more than twenty percent. Notice of such
23 reprogramming shall be reported in writing to the Chairman of the Committee
24 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Chairman of the
25 Committee on Fiscal Affairs of the Senate not later than three working days

1 after the date the Director takes such reprogramming action. If the
2 **reprogramming** would result in more than the percent change, cumulative and in
3 total for the fiscal year, permitted by this section. or requests a change or
4 **reprogramming** of any employee ceiling limit imposed by this Act, or requests
5 a **reprogramming** to or from any item in Section 2(b) of this Act, the proposal
6 shall be submitted in writing to the two **Chairmen** for approval by the
7 Legislature before the transfer of funds or other change takes place. Such
8 reprogramming request shall be considered approved by the Legislature if **it**
9 has not been disapproved by either Committee within five calendar days from
10 the date of its acknowledged official receipt. Either Committee may propose
11 to amend the request. If the other **Committee** does not agree to such an
12 amendment within the five-day period, the request shall be considered
13 disapproved. If the other Committee agrees to the amendment, the request
14 shall be considered approved as amended, except that the Director may choose
15 not to carry out the **reprogramming** if he does not concur with the **amendment**.
16 If one Committee disapproves the request and the other does not, or if the
17 two Committees do not **agree** on any amendment to the request, the two **Chairmen**
18 shall arrange a **joint meeting** of the two Committees to discuss their differences
19 in an attempt to resolve them and to arrive at a solution, if possible, before
20 taking final action on the request. Notwithstanding the procedure set forth
21 **in** the preceding five sentences of this section, such reprogramming request
22 may be approved by the Legislature by concurrent resolution at any time prior
23 to the expiration of such five-day period.

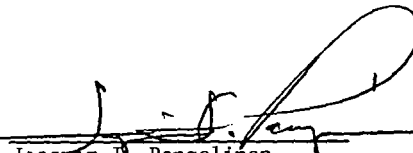
24 Section 5. Administrative Guidelines. The detailed worksheets, schedules
25 and tables submitted to the Legislature by the Governor, as modified to reflect

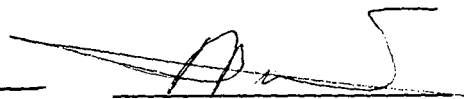
1 the amounts appropriated and allocated in this Act, are to be used by the
2 Director of Finance as administrative guidelines for the purpose of allocating
3 funds appropriated by this Act.

4 Section 6. Penalties. No funds appropriated by this Act shall be paid
5 out of the General Fund except pursuant to the provisions of this Act. Any
6 elected official or any officer or employee of any branch, department, agency,
7 commission, office or instrumentality of the Government of the Commonwealth
8 of the Northern Mariana Islands who shall knowingly and wilfully violate any
9 provision of this Act shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than one
10 thousand dollars or be imprisoned for not more than one year, or both.

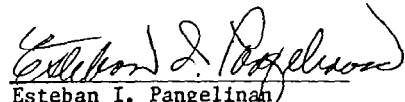
11 Section 7. Severability. If any provision of this Act, or the application
12 of any such provision to any person or circumstance, shall be held invalid by a
13 court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act, or the application
14 of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is
15 held invalid, shall not be affected thereby.

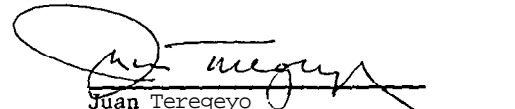
16 Section 8. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval
17 by the Governor, or upon its becoming law without such approval.


Joaquin I. Pangelinan
Speaker of the House

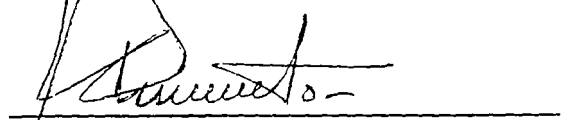

Pedro P. Tenorio
President of the Senate

ATTEST:


Esteban I. Pangelinan
House Clerk


Juan Teregeyo
Senate Clerk

August 21, 1981


Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands