

1 Legislature as provided in this section. No funds shall be
2 reprogrammed other than to another item in this Act, except pursuant
3 to a reallocation or change under Article III, Section 15 of the
4 Constitution. Subject to the restrictions of this Act, the Board
5 of Parole, with the approval of the Governor, may reprogram funds
6 between the items in this Act in any amount that does not increase
7 or decrease the amount of either such item by more than twenty
8 percent. Notice of such reprogramming shall be reported in writing
9 to the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of
10 Representatives and the Chairman of the Committee on Fiscal Affairs
11 of the Senate not later than three working days after the date the
12 Board takes such reprogramming action. If the reprogramming would
13 result in more than the percent change, cumulative and in total for
14 the fiscal year, permitted by this section, or requests a change or
15 reprogramming of any employee ceiling limit imposed by this Act, the
16 proposal shall be submitted in writing to the two Chairmen for approval
17 by the Legislature before the transfer of funds or other change takes
18 place. Such reprogramming request shall be considered approved by the
19 Legislature if it has not been disapproved by either Committee within
20 five calendar days from the date of its acknowledged official receipt.
21 Either Committee may propose to amend the request. If the other
22 Committee does not agree to such an amendment within the five-day
23 period, the request shall be considered disapproved. If the other
24 Committee agrees to the amendment, the request shall be considered
25 approved as amended, except that the Board may choose not to carry

1 out the reprogramming if it does not concur with the amendment. If
2 one Committee disapproves the request and the other does not, or if
3 the two Committees do not agree on any amendment to the request, the
4 two Chairmen shall arrange a joint meeting of the two Committees to
5 discuss their differences in an attempt to resolve them and to arrive
6 at a solution, if possible, before taking final action on the request.
7 Notwithstanding the procedure set forth in the preceding five sentences
8 of this section, such reprogramming request may be approved by the
9 Legislature by concurrent resolution at any time prior to the
10 expiration of such five-day period.


11 Section 5. Administrative Guidelines. The detailed worksheets,
12 schedules and tables submitted to the Legislature by the Governor, as
13 modified to reflect the amounts appropriated and allocated in this Act,
14 are to be used by the Board of Parole as administrative guidelines for
15 the purpose of allocating funds appropriated by this Act.

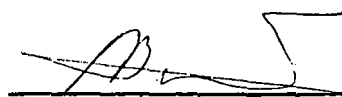
16 Section 6. Penalties. No funds appropriated by this Act shall
17 be paid out of the General Fund except pursuant to the provisions of
18 this Act. Any elected official or any officer or employee of any
19 branch, department, agency, **commission**, office or instrumentality of
20 the Government of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

24 Section 7. Severability. If any provision of this Act, or the
25 application of any such provision to any person or circumstance, shall

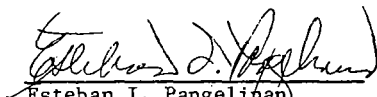
1 be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder
2 of this Act, or the application of such provision to persons or
3 circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid, shall
4 not be affected thereby.

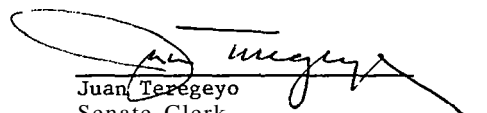
5 Section 8. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its
6 approval by the Governor, or upon its becoming law without such approval.

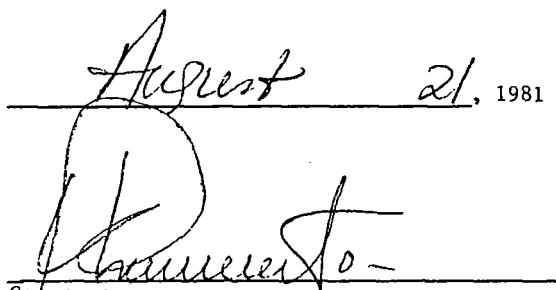

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