

SIXTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION, 2008

PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-29

SENATE BILL NO. 16-34, HDI

AN ACT

To amend 1 CMC § 6103(a) of the election law; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SIXTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:

1 Section 1. Amendment. 1 CMC § 6103(a) is amended to read as follows:

2 "Election Commission: Term of Appointment.

3 "(a) Members shall serve a term of four years, except that of the members first
4 appointed, two (2) shall serve for a term of one (1) year, two (2) shall serve for two (2)
5 years, two (2) shall serve for three (3) years, and three (3) shall serve for four (4) years. ~~No~~
6 ~~Members may serve an more than two (2) consecutive four year terms, unlimited number of~~
7 ~~four year terms, or in the case of members appointed for less than four years, for the period~~
8 ~~of term to which he is appointed plus one (1) four (4) year term.~~ Upon the expiration of the
9 term of a member of the Commission, such person shall cease to be a member unless
10 reappointed in the manner prescribed by law. No appointee may act as a commission
11 member until confirmed by the Senate."

12 Section 2. Severability. If any provision of this Act or the application of any such
13 provision to any person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent
14 jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act or the application of its provisions to persons or
15 circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.

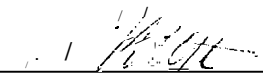
16 Section 3. Savings Clause. This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be
17 construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes
18 repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers

1 contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding instituted under or pursuant to prior
2 law. The enactment of this Act shall not have the effect of terminating, or in any way
3 modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in existence on the date
4 this Act becomes effective.

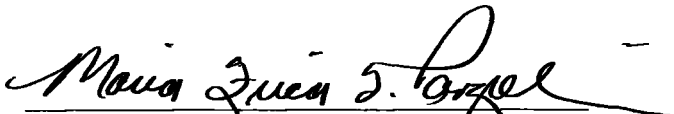
5 Section 4. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the
6 Governor or its becoming law without such approval.

CERTIFIED BY:

ATTESTED BY:

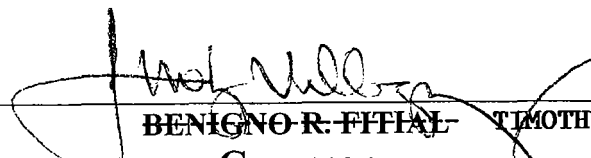


PETE P. REYES
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE



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SENATE LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY

Approved this 18th day of February, 2009



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