



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SIXTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
THIRTEENTH DAY, SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 2008

Public Law 16-45
H. B. No. 16-192, **HDI**

AN ACT

To include the island of Managaha from the prohibition of alcoholic beverage sales on Election Day; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SIXTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:

1 Section 1. Findings and Purpose. The prohibition of alcoholic beverage sales on
2 Election Day is to prevent conflicts between party camps from escalating. The
3 Commonwealth Legislature finds, however, that this prohibition has a potential loss of
4 economic growth within our tourism industry. As a result, Public Law 16-18 was enacted to
5 exempt CNMI airports, hotels, hotel resorts, and golf course resorts from such prohibition.
6 The Commonwealth Legislature further finds that Managaha Island, a popular tourist
7 destination, was inadvertently excluded from the exemption. The purpose of this Act,
8 therefore, is to include Managaha Island under this exemption.

9 Section 2. Amendment. 1 CMC § 6706(b) is hereby amended to read as follows:
10 "§ 6706.

11 (b) This section shall not apply to concession stands on Managaha Island,
12 CNMI airports, hotels, hotel resorts, or golf course resorts."

13 Section 3. Severability. If any provision of this Act or the application of any such
14 provision to any person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent
15 jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act or the application of its provisions to persons or
16 circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.


17 Section 4. Savings Clause. This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be
18 construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes
19 repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes.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 law.
2 The enactment of the Act shall not have the effect of terminating, or in any way modifying,
3 any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in existence on the date this Act
4 becomes effective.

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

CERTIFIED BY:

ATTESTED TO BY:


ARNOLD T. PALACIOS
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE


EVELYN C. FLEMING
HOUSE CLERK

APPROVED on this 50th day of AUGUST, 2009

