

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

Eloy S. Inos Governor Jude U. Hofschneider Lieutenant Governor

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Honorable Teresita A. Santos Chairwoman, Rota Legislative Delegation Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Saipan, MP 96950

Honorable Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero Speaker, House of Representatives Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Ms. Chairwoman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law H.L.B. 18-52, entitled, "To make appropriations for the operations and activities of the Rota Casino Gaming Commission for FY 2014 pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Rota Casino Act of 2007, as amended by Public Law 16-4; and for other purposes," which was passed by the Rota Legislative Delegation, Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This bill becomes Rota Local Law 18-13. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

ELOY S. INOS

cc: Lt. Governor; Attorney General; Press Secretary; Mayor of Rota; Rota Casino Gaming Commission; Rota Municipal Council; Department of Finance; Commonwealth Law Revision Commission; Special Assistant for Programs and Legislative Review.

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ROTA LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

First Senatorial District Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature P. O. Box 500586 Saipan, MP 96950

Representative Teresita A. Santos, Chairperson Senator Jovita M. Taimanao, Vice Chairperson/Floor Leader Senator Victor B. Hocog, Legislative Secretary Senator Paul A. Manglona, Member

May 15, 2014

Honorable Eloy S. Inos Governor Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Governor Inos:

I am honored to transmit for your action House Local Bill No. 18-52, entitled,

"To make appropriations for the operations and activities of the Rota Casino Gaming Commission for FY 2014 pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Rota Casino Act of 2007, as amended by Public Law 16-4; and for other purposes."

The bill was passed unanimously by the Rota Legislative Delegation of the Eighteenth Northern Mariana Islands Commonwealth Legislature on First and Final Reading, a quorum being present, during its First Day, Fourth Special Session, 2014 held on May 15, 2014.

Respectfully,

Alicia DLG. Leon Guerrero

Delegation Clerk

Enclosures



ROTA LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION EIGHTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION, 2014

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 18-52

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

To make appropriations for the operations and activities of the Rota Casino Gaming Commission for FY 2014 pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Rota Casino Act of 2007, as amended by Public Law 16-4; and for other purposes.

Offered by

Representative Teresita A. Santos

on

April 4, 2014

HOUSE ACTION

Transmitted to Rota Legislative Delegation on May 7, 2014

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred To

: None

Comments Solicited

: Mayor of Rota; Chairman, Rota Municipal

Council (5/7/14)

Comments Received

Mayor of Rota (Oral comments via telephone)

Standing Committee Report

None

Passed First & Final Reading

: May 15, 2014

Alicia DLG. Leon Gyerrero, Delegation Clerk

ROTA LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT EIGHTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 2014

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 18-52

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

To make appropriations for the operations and activities of the Rota Casino Gaming Commission for FY 2014 pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Rota Casino Act of 2007, as amended by Public Law 16-4; and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the operations of the Rota Casino Gaming Commission pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Rota Casino Act of 2007, as amended by Public Law 16-4. This appropriation follows the transmittal letter from the Office of the 14th Rota Municipal Council after conducting a meeting with the Chairperson of the Rota Casino Gaming Commission thereby approving and transmitting the operational budget of the Rota Casino Gaming Commission for Fiscal Year 2014. The Commonwealth Legislature enacts this legislation under its authority under Article 11, Sections 1 and 6 of the Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Section 2. Rota Casino Gaming Commission FY 2014 Budget Appropriation.

- (a) There is hereby appropriated the sum of \$200,000.00 pursuant to Section 16 (a) of the Rota Casino Act of 2007, as amended by Public Law 16-4 to the Rota Casino Gaming Commission for its operations as follows:
 - 1) Salaries for Commissioners & Executive Director (past and present):

A) Ephrem S. Taimanao	\$39,100.00
3) Laura I. Manglona	\$37,500.00
C) Vicente M. Atalig	\$10,965.00
D) Abelina T. Mendiola	\$17,130.00
E) Kelvin O. Hocog	\$21,340.00

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F) Alfredo Antolin	\$ 7.920.00
2) KNT Charter Flights	\$20,000.00
(Charter Flights from Japan/Rota/Japan	1)
3) Torres Brothers Law Firm	\$20,000.00
4) Office Supplies and Operation	\$14.545.00
5) Communication	\$10.000.00
6) Website	\$ 1,500.00
TOTAL:	\$200,000.00

(b) The Chairperson of the Rota Casino Gaming Commission shall be the expenditure authority for the funds appropriated in this section, or the Chairperson's designee in the absence of the Chairperson. Furthermore, notwithstanding any provisions, laws to the contrary, funds appropriated under this Act shall not be reprogrammed for any other purposes.

Section 3. <u>Severability</u>. 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 4. 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 5. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or its becoming law without such approval.

CERTIFIED BY:

TERESITA A. SANTOS
Chairperson
Rota Legislative Delegation

JOSEPH PLOENTERO

Speaker

House of Representatives

on this 215 day of MAT, 2014.

Governor

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands