

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

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Honorable Francisco M. Borja Chairman, Tinian and Aguiguan 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 Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law House Local Bill 18-50 entitled, "To amend 10 CMC 2416 subsections (a) and (c) to keep all local cockfighting license fees within the Second Senatorial District to fund the Tinian Municipal Scholarship Board's special account for Tinian Municipal Scholarship Recipients," which was passed by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation, Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This bill becomes **Tinian Local Law 18-10**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

ELOY S. INOS

cc: Lt. Governor, Senate President, Attorney General, Press Secretary, Department of Finance, Mayor of Tinian, Tinian Scholarship Board, Tinian Municipal Treasurer, Commonwealth Law Revision Commission, Special Assistant for Programs and legislative Review



TINIAN & AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

Second Senatorial District Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature P. O. Box 500129 Saipan, MP 96950

Senator Francisco M. Borja, Chairman Representative Trenton B. Conner, Floor Leader Senator Francisco Q. Cruz, Vice Chairman Senator Joaquin H. Borja, Legislative Secretary

August 12, 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. 18-50, entitled,

"A Local Bill For An Act For The Second Senatorial District

"To amend 10 CMC 2416 subsections (a) and (c) to keep all local cockfighting license fees within the Second Senatorial District to fund the Tinian Municipal Scholarship Board's special account for Tinian Municipal Scholarship Recipients."

This bill was passed unanimously by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation of the Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, a quorum duly present, on First and Final Reading during its First Day, Fourth Regular Session, 2014 held on August 11, 2014.

Sincerely,

ALICIA DLG. LEØN GUERRERC

Delegation Clerk

Enclosures



TINIAN & AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT

EIGHTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2014

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 18-50

A LOCAL BILL FOR AN ACT FOR THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT

To amend 10 CMC 2416 subsections (a) and (c) to keep all local cockfighting license fees within the Second Senatorial District to fund the Tinian Municipal Scholarship Board's special account for Tinian Municipal Scholarship Recipients.

Offered by

Representative Trenton B. Conner

on

February 25, 2014

HOUSE ACTION

Transmitted to Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation on May 7, 2014.

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred to
Public Hearing

: None : None

Comments Solicited

: Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan; Chairman, Tinian

& Aguiguan Municipal Council (05/07/14)

Comments Received

Mayor of Tinian & Aguiguan (06/02/14)

Standing Committee Report

None

Passed First & Final Reading

August 11, 2014

Alicia DLG. Leon Guerrero, Delegation Clerk



TINIAN & AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Second Senatorial District

THIRD REGULAR SESSION, 2014

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 18-50

A LOCAL BILL FOR AN ACT FOR THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT

To amend 10 CMC 2416 subsections (a) and (c) to keep all local cockfighting license fees within the Second Senatorial District to fund the Tinian Municipal Scholarship Board's special account for Tinian Municipal Scholarship Recipients.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT DELEGATION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1, TITLE 1

OF THE COMMONWEALTH CODE:

Section 1. <u>Findings and Purpose</u>. The Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation finds that it is in the best interest of the Second Senatorial District to amend certain cockfighting provisions that clearly reflect the intent of the Delegation to keep all local cockfighting license fees within the Second Senatorial District.

This amendment expressly allows all competing deposits to be collected by the Tinian Municipal Treasury and for the winning bidder's deposit to remain within said Treasury. This legislation also mandates that the license fee shall be deposited into a special account created by the Tinian Municipal Treasury for the specific use of the Tinian Municipal Scholarship Board for Tinian Municipal Scholarship Recipients and shall not be subject to any reprogramming. The expenditure authority for the funds paid by paid by the successful bidder and collected pursuant to this subsection shall be the Tinian Municipal Scholarship chairperson.

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Section 2. Amendment. 10 CMC section 2416 (a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(a) Except for the first year in which this law becomes effective, bids must be submitted on or before 15 days from the expiration of an existing franchise. Each bid shall be sealed and accompanied by a deposit of 20 percent of the total amount of the bid, in the form of cash, postal or express money order, cashiers check or certified check, or bank draft, payable to a public officer or employee to be designated by regulation of the board. the Tinian Municipal Treasury and shall not be subject to any reprogramming."

Section 3. <u>Amendment.</u> 10 CMC section 2416 (c) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(c) Payment of the cockfighting license by the successful bidder must be made within 10 days after the opening and award of the franchise license by the board. The method of payment shall be the same as that designated for deposits. Provided further that the amounts paid by the successful bidder and collected pursuant to this subsection shall, notwithstanding any other law or provision to the contrary, be deposited into a special account created by the Tinian Municipal Treasury for the specific use of the Tinian Municipal Scholarship Board for Tinian Municipal Scholarship Recipients and shall not be subject to any reprogramming. The expenditure authority for the funds paid by the successful bidder and collected pursuant to this subsection shall be the Tinian Municipal Scholarship chairperson."

Section 4. <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 5. 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

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liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

Section 6. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or its becoming law without such approval.

CERTIFIED BY:

Francisco M. Borja Chairman

Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation

Joseph P Deleon Guerrero

Speaker

House of Representatives

proved this 22 ad day of September, 2014.

ELOY S. INOS

Governor

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands