



# COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

**Eloy S. Inos**  
Governor

**Jude U. Hofschneider**  
Lieutenant Governor

**1.8 JUN 2013**

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

The Honorable Ralph DLG. Torres  
Senate President  
Eighteenth Northern Marianas  
Commonwealth Legislature  
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law, House Bill 18-17, entitled, "To amend Public Law 17-8 Section 2 to include necessary changes to finalize projects associated with the original intent of the reprogramming of the One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) as appropriated under Section 2(b) of Public Law 13-56; and for other purposes," which was passed by the Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

While I approve this measure, I caution the legislature that this measure must be implemented in strict accordance with 1 CMC §7103. The language as written is broad and may hinder expeditious completion of required projects under this Act.

This bill becomes **Public Law No. 18-11**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,



ELOY S. INOS

CC: Lt. Governor  
Press Secretary, Office of the Governor  
Special Assistant for Programs & Legislative Review  
All Branches, Departments, and Agencies



*Eighteenth Legislature  
of the  
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands*

**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**First Regular Session**

**February 26, 2013**

Representative Trenton B. Conner, of Tinian, Precinct 6 (*for himself*.) in an open and public meeting with an opportunity for the public to comment, introduced the following Bill:

**H.B. No. 18-17**

**AN ACT**

**TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW 17-8 SECTION 2 TO INCLUDE NECESSARY CHANGES TO FINALIZE PROJECTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ORIGINAL INTENT OF THE REPROGRAMMING OF THE ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000.00) AS APPROPRIATED UNDER SECTION 2(B) OF PUBLIC LAW 13-56; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

The Bill was referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means, which submitted Standing Committee Report 18-8, and adopted on April 18, 2013.

**THE BILL WAS PASSED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON FIRST AND FINAL READING, MAY 9, 2013;**  
*without amendments* and transmitted to the  
**THE SENATE.**

The Bill was referred to the Senate Committee on Fiscal Affairs.  
**THE BILL WAS PASSED BY THE SENATE ON FIRST AND FINAL READING, MAY 23, 2013;**  
*without amendments.*

**THE BILL WAS FINALLY PASSED ON MAY 9, 2013.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "L. Muña", written over a horizontal line.

**Linda B. Muña, House Clerk**



*Eighteenth Legislature*  
*of the*  
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**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

First Day, Second Special Session

May 9, 2013

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**H. B. 18-17**

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**Be it enacted by the Eighteenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature:**

1           **Section 1. Findings and Purpose.** The Legislature finds that in order for the Second  
2           Senatorial District to carry its duties to finalize all projects as stated under Public Law 17-008  
3           it is imperative that equipment be purchased to complete the needs of the people of the  
4           Second Senatorial District. Therefore, the intent of this Act is to amend Section 2 to of  
5           Public Law 17-008 to include necessary changes to finalize projects associated with the  
6           original intent of the reprogramming of the One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) as  
7           appropriated under Section 2(b) of Public Law 13-56.

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1           **Section 2. Amendment.** Section 2 of Public 17-008 is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows:

3                   “There is hereby appropriated \$1,000,000.00 from Public Law 13-56 for  
4 renovations and repair of dilapidated and abandoned municipal buildings in the  
5 Second Senatorial District along with the Tinian Liaison office/medical referral units  
6 and egress parking lot pavement, the Tinian Health Center needs, and other associated  
7 needs and repairs to include the purchasing of equipment necessary to complete all  
8 projects within the Second Senatorial District.”

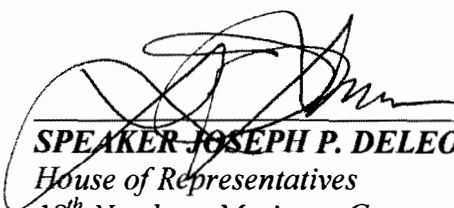
9           **Section 3. Severability.** If any provisions of this Act or the application of any such  
10 provision to any person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent  
11 jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act or the application of its provisions to persons or  
12 circumstances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

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


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

Attested to by:   
**Linda B. Muña, House Clerk**

Certified by:   
**SPEAKER JOSEPH P. DELEON GUERRERO**  
House of Representatives  
18<sup>th</sup> Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature

Approved this 18<sup>TH</sup> day of JUNE, 2013

  
**ELOY S. INOS**  
Governor  
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands