



COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

**Ralph DLG. Torres**  
Governor

**Victor B. Hocog**  
Lieutenant Governor

24 JUL 2017

The Honorable John Paul P. Sablan  
Chairman  
Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation  
Twentieth Northern Marianas  
Commonwealth Legislature  
Saipan, MP 96950

The Honorable Rafael S. Demapan  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twentieth 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 20-25, D1, entitled, "To appropriate additional funds realized, specifically allotted to the Third Senatorial District under Public Law No. 18-30 as amended, for the CNMI Drug Court; and for other purposes," which was passed by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation of the Twentieth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This bill becomes **Saipan Local Law No. 20-07**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

  
**ARNOLD I. PALACIOS**  
Acting Governor

HOUSE CLERK'S OFFICE  
RECEIVED BY   
DATE 7/25/17 TIME 1:55pm

cc: Governor; Lt. Governor; Secretary of Finance; Chief Justice, CNMI Supreme Court; Commonwealth Superior Court Presiding Judge; CNMI Drug Court; Public Auditor; Special Assistant for Administration; Special Assistant for Programs and Legislative Review; Acting Press Secretary

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**SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION  
TWENTIETH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE  
THIRD SPECIAL SESSION, 2017**

**HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 20-25, D1**

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**A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT  
FOR THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

To appropriate additional funds realized, specifically allotted to the Third Senatorial District under Public Law No. 18-30 as amended, for the CNMI Drug Court; and for other purposes.

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**Offered by**

Representatives John Paul P. Sablan, Francisco C. Aguon, and Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao

on

June 12, 2017

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**HOUSE ACTION**

Transmitted to Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation for action on  
June 30, 2017

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**DELEGATION ACTION**

Referred To	:	None
Comments Solicited	:	Mayor of Saipan; Mayor of Northern Islands; Chairman, SNI Municipal Council (7/3/19)
Comments Received	:	Oral Submission
Standing Committee Report	:	None
Passed First & Final Reading	:	July 18, 2017 (w/D1)

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**Alicia DLG. Leon Guerrero, Delegation Clerk**

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**SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION**  
**Third Senatorial District**  
**Twentieth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature**

**FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION, 2017**

**HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 20-25, D1**

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**A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT  
FOR THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

To appropriate additional funds realized, specifically allotted to the Third Senatorial District under Public Law No. 18-30 as amended, for the CNMI Drug Court; and for other purposes.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT DELEGATION**

**PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1, TITLE 1**

**OF THE COMMONWEALTH CODE:**

1 **SECTION 1. PURPOSE.**

2       The purpose of this Act is to appropriate additional funds realized under  
3 Public Law No. 18-30, specifically allotted to the Third Senatorial District under Public Law  
4 No. 18-30 as amended, for the CNMI Drug Court treatment and services.

5 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.**

6       Notwithstanding any provisions, statutes, laws or regulations to the contrary, the Saipan  
7 and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation (SNILD) hereby appropriates the amount of  
8 Ninety-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$99,788.00) of the funds realized  
9 for the Third Senatorial District under Public Law No. 18-30 as amended, for the CNMI Drug  
10 Court treatment and services.

1     **SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.**

2             The expenditure authority of the funds allocated under Section 2 of this Act shall be the  
3     Presiding Judge of the Commonwealth Superior Court.

4     **SECTION 4. REPROGRAMING.**

5             Notwithstanding any laws, provisions or regulations to the contrary, funds appropriated  
6     under this Act shall not be reprogrammed for any other purpose. Furthermore, the funds  
7     appropriated under Section 2 of this Act shall be without fiscal year limitations.

8     **SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.**

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

13    **SECTION 6. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

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

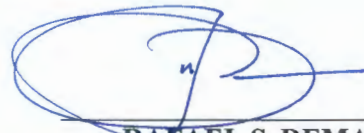
1 **SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2 This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or its becoming law  
3 without such approval.

**CERTIFIED BY:**

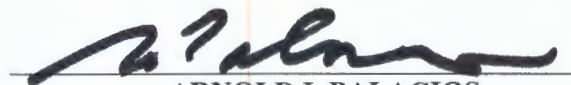


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**JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN**  
Chairman  
Saipan & Northern Islands  
Legislative Delegation



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**RAFAEL S. DEMAPAN**  
Speaker  
House of Representatives

*Approved* on this *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *July*, 2017.



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**ARNOLD I. PALACIOS**  
Acting Governor  
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands