



AMENDED
June 30, 2017

THE SENATE
TWENTIETH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
1 st Day	Friday, June 30, 2017	9:00 a.m.
ROTA MAYOR'S OFFICE CONF. ROOM, ROTA		

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

- A. ROLL CALL** – Seven (7) present and two (2) absent excused.
- B. PUBLIC COMMENT:** (None)
- C. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL:** (NONE)
- D. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:**
1. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-64:** June 05, 2017 – Resume, financial interest, police clearance and drug test result of Mr. Weston Thomas A. Deleon Guerrero nominated to serve as a member of the CUC Board of Directors representing Saipan
 2. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-65:** June 05, 2017– Resume, financial interest, police clearance and drug test receipt of Mr. Anthony T. Benavente nominated to fill the position of Secretary for the DLNR.
 3. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-66:** June 05, 2017 – Resume, financial interest, police clearance and drug test receipt of Mr. Wesley M. Bogdan nominated to serve as an Associate Judge of the CNMI Superior Court.
 4. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-67:** June 07, 2017 – Drug test results of Mr. Wesley M. Bogdan nominated to serve as an Associate Judge of the CNMI Superior Court.
 5. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-68:** June 12, 2017 – Signed into local law HLB 20-1, D3 – To appropriate up to Four Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Nine US Dollars (\$463,279.00) of the Earned Bond Interest Income collected for the Third Senatorial District that has been identified by CDA as available for appropriations; and for other purposes, becomes SAIPAN LOCAL LAW NO. 20-01.
 6. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-69:** June 12, 2017 – Signed into local law HLB 20-3, D2 – To appropriate funds realized under PL 18-30 for various projects and programs in the Third Senatorial District; becomes SAIPAN LOCAL LAW NO. 20-02.

7. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-70:** June 12, 2017 – Nomination of Mr. Charles V. Cepeda to serve as a member of the NMC Board of Regents.
8. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-71:** June 12, 2017 – Nomination of Ms. Zenie P. Mafnas to serve as a member of the NMC Board of Regents.
9. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-72:** June 12, 2017 – Resume, statement of financial interest, police clearance, drug test results of Mr. Matthew Holley to serve as a member of the CUC Board of Directors.
10. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-73:** June 12, 2017 – Certification for annual salary in excess of \$50,000 to Mr. Henry S. Hofschneider, Special Assistant, Office of the Mayor of Saipan to receive \$55,000.00 per annum.
11. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-74:** June 15, 2017 – Signed into law H.B. No. 20-56 – To amend 1 CMC, Chapter 4, Article 2 to add a new §431, ‘Governor Eloy S. Inos Peace Park’; and for other purposes, became **PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-02**.
12. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-75:** June 20, 2017 – Signed into local law H.L.B. No. 20-19, D1 – To appropriate the amount of Thirty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$36,000.00) from local license fees collected for poker and pachinko slot machines in the First Senatorial District; and for other purposes, became **ROTA LOCAL LAW NO. 20-02**.
13. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-76:** June 19, 2017 – Resume, statement of financial interest, police clearance, drug test receipt of Mr. Charles V. Cepeda to serve as a member of the NMC Board of Regents.
14. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-77:** June 22, 2017 – Assumption of Authority – Senate President Arnold I. Palacios shall be Acting Governor.
15. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-78:** June 21, 2017 – Resume, statement of financial interest, police clearance, drug test receipt of Ms. Zenie P. Mafnas to serve as a member of the NMC Board of Regents.

E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIARY: (NONE)

F. COMMUNICATIONS FROM HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT :

1. **Dept. Msg. No. 20-18:** May 12, 2017 – Designation of Jonathan T. Tenorio Acting Chief Parole Officer.
2. **Dept. Msg. No. 20-19:** [Received 06/12/17] – DPW Secretary to DPL regarding Land Designation for the proposed Neighborhood Convenience Center in Kagman and Southern Saipan.
3. **Dept. Msg. No. 20-20:** June 05, 2017 – DPL Secretary comments on SB 20-37 – DPL discretion to exchange certain public lands in the First Senatorial District.
4. **Dept. Msg. No. 20-21:** June 12, 2017 – CSC – OPM regarding office closure due to Professional Development Workshop.

G. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE HOUSE: (NONE)

H. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SENATE:

1. **Sen. Comm. No. 20-74:** June 09, 2017 – Senator Santos off-island notice.
2. **Sen. Comm. No. 20-75:** June 09, 2017 – Senator Quitugua out of office notice.
3. **Sen. Comm. No. 20-76:** June 12, 2017 – Senator Mesngon off-island notice.
4. **Sen. Comm. No. 20-77:** June 13, 2017 – Official referral to EAGI of Mr. Charles V. Cepeda to serve as a member of NMC Board of Regents. [GM 20-70]
5. **Sen. Comm. No. 20-78:** June 12, 2017 – Chairman FA regarding amendment of PL 19-75 – PSS reprogramming to fund Early Head Start.
6. **Sen. Comm. No. 20-79:** June 13, 2017 – Official referral to EAGI of Ms. Zenie P. Mafnas to serve as a member of NMC Board of Regents. [GM 20-71]
7. **Sen. Comm. No. 20-80:** June 16, 2017 – Senator Cruz off island notice and delegation of authority.
8. **Sen. Comm. No. 20-81:** June 15, 2017 – Senator Borja off island notice and delegation of authority.
9. **Sen. Comm. No. 20-82:** June 15, 2017 – Senator Santos off island notice.
10. **Sen. Comm. No. 20-83:** June 23, 2017 – Appointment of Acting Senate President, Senator Francisco M. Borja.

I. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE WASHINGTON DELEGATE: (NONE)**J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (NONE)****K. PRE-FILED BILLS, INITIATIVES, LOCAL BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

1. **Senate Bill No. 20-48:** To amend 3 CMC § 1506 to change the position of administrative librarian to public library director; and for other purposes. [SEN. JUSTO S. QUITUGUA – 06/21/17]
2. **Senate Bill No. 20-49:** To establish regulations for the use of airspace of the Commonwealth and related activities; and for other purposes. [SEN. SIXTO K. IGISOMAR – 06/23/17]
3. **Senate Bill No. 20-50:** To amend 2 CMC §2122 to authorize the Commonwealth Ports Authority to develop and expand the air service to the Commonwealth; and for other purposes. [SEN. SIXTO K. IGISOMAR – 06/23/17]
4. **Senate Resolution No. 20-03:** To amend Rule 8 of the Official Rules of Procedure of the Senate of the Twentieth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature. [SEN. JUSTO S. QUITUGUA – 06/23/17]

L. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS, INITIATIVES, LOCAL BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS:

M. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. **Standing Committee Report No. 20-20:** From the Committee on Executive Appointments and Government Investigations reporting on the appointment of Mr. Vincent S. Attao to serve as the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections.
2. **Standing Committee Report No. 20-21:** From the Committee on Executive Appointments and Government Investigations reporting on the appointment of Mr. Anthony T. Benavente to serve as the Secretary for the Department of Lands and Natural Resources. (ADOPTED)

N. REPORTS OF SPECIAL/CONFERENCE COMMITTEE: (NONE)

O. RESOLUTION CALENDAR:

1. S.R. No. 20-03 - ADOPTED
2. House Concurrent Resolution No. 20-1, HS1 - ADOPTED

P. BILL CALENDAR:

FIRST READING

LEG. NO.	<u>TITLE</u>

FINAL READING

LEG. NO.	TITLE
S.B. No. 20-08, SD1 PASSED	To enable the CNMI to participate in the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education's Professional Student Exchange Program; and for other purposes.
S.B. No. 20-42, SD1 PASSED	To amend 4 CMC § 2308 to clarify that the casino gross revenue tax funds are separate from the general fund; and for other purposes
S.B. No. 20-01 PASSED	To establish a Department of Revenue and Taxation; and for other purposes

Q. PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS:

1. **Misc. Comm. No. 20-119:** May 19, 2017 – PSS request for reprogramming \$624,988 for Early Head Start and Head Start Program.
2. **Misc. Comm. No. 20-120:** May 30, 2017 – CPA's resolution in support of the re-appointment of Mr. Thomas P. Villagomez to the CPA BOD.
3. **Misc. Comm. No. 20-121:** June 05, 2017 AG comments on S.B. No. 20-40 – ID of Disabled Veterans on vehicle license plate.
4. **Misc. Comm. No. 20-122:** [Received 06/12/17] – PSS Annual Report SY 2015/2016.
5. **Misc. Comm. No. 20-123:** June 14, 2017 – AG's comments on H.B. No. 20-3 – To amend and repeal provisions of the Vehicle Code to allow for e-citation implementation.

R. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**S. ANNOUNCEMENTS:****T. ADJOURNMENT at 10:38 a.m.**

APPEARANCE OF SENATE LOCAL BILLS

LEG. NO.	<u>TITLE</u>
SLB 20-04	To conserve and protect plant and agricultural resources including hot pepper known as “donni Sali” and nigas plants in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes 2nd Appearance

The Senate may consider, debate, and/or act upon any item contained in this Order of Business at the time and place described herein.