



AMENDED
September 26, 2017

THE SENATE
TWENTIETH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
6 th Day	Tuesday, September 26, 2017 SENATE CHAMBER, SAIPAN	10:20 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

- A. ROLL CALL** – All Nine (9) members are present
- B. PUBLIC COMMENT:** (None)
- C. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL:** (NONE)
- D. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:**
1. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-125:** September 14, 2017 – Signed into local law, H.L.B. No. 20-36, S1 – To appropriate the sum of One Million Dollars from the Exclusive Gaming Annual License fees allotted to the Third Senatorial District under PL 18-56, to assist various entities and various projects within Precincts I, II, III, IV, V, becomes **SAIPAN LOCAL LAW NO. 20-10**.
 2. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-126:** September 14, 2017 – Resume, statement of financial interest, police clearance, and drug test receipt of Mrs. Julia Victoria I. Benavente appointed to serve as the Secretary of Labor.
 3. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-127:** September 14, 2017 – Certification for annual salary in excess of \$50,000 to Mr. Robert C. Lee, AAG to receive \$66,000.00 per annum.
 4. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-128:** September 14, 2017 – Certification for annual salary in excess of \$50,000 to Mr. Chester M. Hinds to receive \$62,000.00 per annum.
 5. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-129:** September 14, 2017 – Certification for annual salary in excess of \$50,000 to Mr. Joseph M. Hallahan, AAG to receive \$58,000.00 per annum.
 6. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-130:** September 14, 2017 - Certification for annual salary in excess of \$50,000 to Mr. Jonathan R. Glass, Jr., AAG to receive \$58,000.00 per annum.

7. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-131:** September 14, 2017 – Certification for annual salary in excess of \$50,000.00 for Mr. Hessel E. Yntema IV, AAG to receive \$56,000.00 per annum.
8. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-132:** September 14, 2017 – Certification for annual salary in excess of \$50,000.00 for Mr. Martin P. De Los Angeles, AAG to receive \$58,000.00 per annum.
9. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-133:** September 14, 2017 – Certification for annual salary in excess of \$50,000.00 for Mr. Jonathan L. Wilberscheid, AAG to receive \$58,000.00 per annum.
10. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-134:** September 14, 2017 – Certification for annual salary in excess of \$50,000.00 for Mr. Charles E. Brasington, AAG to receive \$58,000.00 per annum.
11. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-135:** September 14, 2017 – Certification for annual salary in excess of \$50,000.00 for Mr. Colby K. Stewart, AAG to receive \$55,000.00 per annum.
12. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-136:** September 14, 2017 – Certification for annual salary in excess of \$50,000.00 for Mr. Matthew J. Pugh, AAG to receive \$58,000.00 per annum.
13. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-137:** September 19, 2017 – Resume, statement of financial interest, police clearance, of Ms. Jovita San Nicolas Paulino nominated to serve as a member of the CUC Board of Directors representing Tinian.
14. **Gov. Msg. No. 20-138:** September 18, 2017 – Signed into local law HLB 20-20, D2 –To appropriate up to Two Million Three Hundred Eighty Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Dollars (\$2,380,840.00) from the Third Senatorial District Developers Infrastructure Fund under Business Unit 3730; and for other purposes, becomes **SAIPAN LOCAL LAW NO. 20-10**.

E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIARY: (NONE)

F. COMMUNICATIONS FROM HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT : (NONE)

G. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE HOUSE:

1. **Hse. Comm. No. 20-107:** September 21, 2017 – Transmitting for **Senate action** H.B. No. 20-108, HD1, HS1 – To appropriate the amount of One Million, Four Hundred Seventeen Thousand, Five Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$1,417,545.00) to pay for the outstanding retroactive lump-sum payment to active and inactive employees whose wages were frozen in Step 12.

H. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SENATE: (NONE)

I. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE WASHINGTON DELEGATE: (NONE)

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (NONE)**K. PRE-FILED BILLS, INITIATIVES, LOCAL BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

1. **Senate Bill No. 20-74:** To repeal Section 4 of PL 11-87 to allow for local bidder preference to be implemented in the CNMI; and for other purposes. (SEN. PAUL A. MANGLONA – 09/22/17)
2. **Senate Resolution No. 20-14:** To recognize and congratulate the 2017 Northern Marianas College graduate, Judith Galang Diaz on Passing the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses. (SEN. JUSTO S. QUITUGUA – 09/22/17)

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

1. **S.B. No. 20-75:** To designate and reserve up to five (5) hectares of public land on each of the Three Senatorial Districts to use as a place for Chamorro and Carolinian Shrines and the reinternment of ancestral remains; and for other purposes. (SEN. PAUL A. MANGLONA 09/26/17)

M. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. **Standing Committee Report No. 20-38:** From the Committee on Education and Youth Affairs reporting on S.B. No. 20-21 – To establish a Northern Marianas Technical Institute by adding a new Chapter 11 to Title 3, Division 1 of the Commonwealth Code; to repeal PL 14-54 and PL 15-5; and for other purposes. [RECOMMENDS PASSAGE OF SS1]
2. **Standing Committee Report No. 20-40:** From the Committee on Judiciary, Government and Law reporting on S.B. No. 20-43 - To ensure that government contracts with businesses and individuals that have a good record of compliance with applicable CNMI laws; and for other purposes. [RECOMMENDS PASSAGE OF SD1] - ADOPTED

N. REPORTS OF SPECIAL/CONFERENCE COMMITTEE: (NONE)**O. RESOLUTION CALENDAR:**

1. **S.R. No. 20-14 – Adopted and Committee of the Whole**

P. BILL CALENDAR:

FIRST READING

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

FINAL READING

LEG. NO.	<u>TITLE</u>
S.B. No. 20-21, SS1 (See SCreport 20-38)	To establish a Northern Marianas Technical Institute by adding a new Chapter 11 to Title 3, Division 1 of the Commonwealth Code; and for other purposes
S.B. No. 20-43, SD1 (See SCreport 20-40) PASSED	To ensure that government contracts with businesses and individuals that have a good record of compliance with applicable CNMI laws; and for other purposes
H.B. No. 20-20, HD1 (See HC 20-38) PASSED	To amend Title 9, Division 2, Chapter 1 § 2104 to provide veterans a discounted benefit for the vehicle registration fee; and for other purposes
H.B. No. 20-108, HD1, HS1 (See HC 20-107) PASSED	To appropriate the amount of One Million, Four Hundred Seventeen Thousand, Five Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$1,417,545.00) to pay for the outstanding retroactive lump-sum payment to active and inactive employees whose wages were frozen in Step 12
S.B. No. 20-53	To repeal and reenact 3 CMC § 4972(b)(1) to allow the Public School System to hire foreign national workers as classroom teachers for STEM (science, technology, engineering, math), special education and related services; and for other purposes
H.B. No. 20-10 (See HC 20-36)	To establish the Settlement Fund Revolving Fund Account
H.B. NO. 20-12 (See HC 20-50)	To reform drug sentencing laws to effectuate the rehabilitation and treatment principles of evidence-based sentencing

<p>H.B. No. 20-14 (See HC 20-51)</p>	<p>To improve the justice system’s response to domestic violence, and for other purposes</p>
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Q. PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS:

1. **Misc. Comm. No. 20-182:** September 14, 2017 – AG’s comment on S.B. No. 20-65 – To establish guidelines for the Child Support Enforcement Division.
2. **Misc. Comm. No. 20-183:** September 11, 2017 – AG’s comment on H.B. No. 20-106 – Joaquin Mesngon Ogo, Tun Kindu, Sports Complex Arena and HB 20-107 – Street Directory Commission.
3. **Misc. Comm. No. 20-184:** September 06, 2017 – Northern Marianas Sports Association seeking financial assistance.

R. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

S. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

T. ADJOURNMENT at 11:05 a.m.

APPEARANCE OF SENATE LOCAL BILLS

LEG. NO.	<u>TITLE</u>
	NONE

TWENTIETH SENATE

ORDER OF BUSINESS
SECOND REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 26, 2017

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