

TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

P.O. BOX 500586 SAIPAN, MP 96950

RALPH N. YUMUL

CHAIRMAN

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 23-26

DATE: July 3, 2023

RE: House Local Bill No. 23-13

The Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Capitol Hill
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways and Means to which was referred:

House Local Bill No. 23-13: "To appropriate \$124,000.00 from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes."

begs leave to report as follows:

I. RECOMMENDATION:

After conducting financial due diligence, your committee recommends that House Local Bill No. 23-13 be transmitted to the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action.

II. ANALYSIS:

A. Purpose:

To appropriate \$124,000.00 from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District IV.

B. Committee Findings:

Your Committee on Ways and Means to which House Local Bill No. 23-13: “To appropriate \$124,000.00 from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes.” was referred to verify and confirm that the amount specified in the local appropriation Act is accurate and available for appropriation. The Committee was provided with the Certification – Second Senatorial District Poker Fees dated June 1, 2023 from the Office of the Secretary, Department of Finance (SFL 2023-579), certifying the availability of these funds, therefore, the Committee recommends that House Local Bill No. 23-13 be transmitted to the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action. SFL 2023-579, FY2023 Local Poker Fee Collection as of 05/31/2023 Tinian and the Account Ledger Inquiry have been attached as part of this committee report.

C. Legislative History:

House Local Bill 23-13 was introduced by Representative Patrick H. San Nicolas on June 20, 2023 and was subsequently referred to the House Standing Committee on Ways and Means for disposition.

III. CONCLUSION:

The Committee is content and confident with the certification of funds provided by the Acting Secretary of Finance with respect to House Local Bill No. 23-13, and therefore recommends that it be transmitted to the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action.

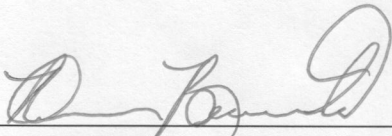
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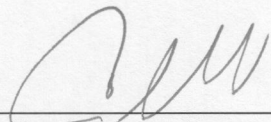


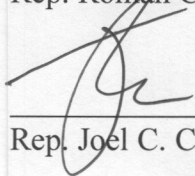
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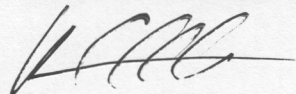



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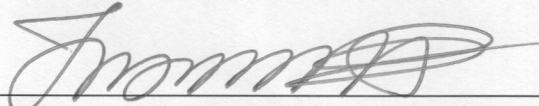

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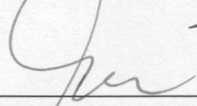

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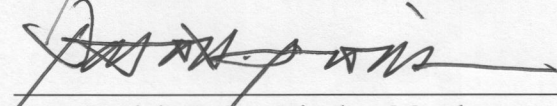

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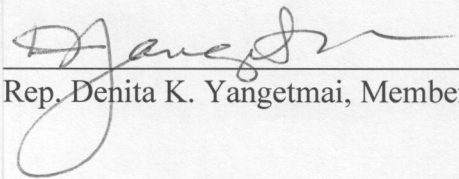

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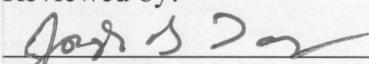

Rep. Thomas John DLC. Manglona, Member


Rep. Julie Marie A. Ogo, Member

Rep. John Paul P. Sablan, Member


Rep. Patrick H. San Nicolas, Member


Rep. Denita K. Yangetmai, Member

Reviewed by:

House Legal Counsel

Attachment: DOF: Certification – Second Senatorial District Poker Fees, SFL 2023-579



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June 1, 2023

SFL 2023-579

Hon. Patrick H. San Nicolas
House of Representative
Precinct VI
23rd Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature
Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building
P.O. Box 500586
Saipan, MP 96950

Subject: Certification – Second Senatorial District Poker Fees

Dear Congressman San Nicolas,

Upon the request of your office, the Department of Finance, Office of the Secretary is providing certification of the Second Senatorial District Poker Fees Fund as of May 31, 2023, in the amount of \$124,000.00. The earmarks for e-gaming funds is considered suspended at this time based on the FY 23' Budget Act P.L. 23-04.

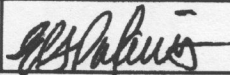
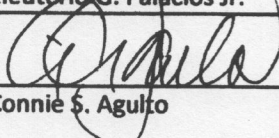
I thank you for your time and the opportunity to provide this letter. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact my office at (670) 664-1100 or email me at C.Agulto@dof.gov.mp.

Sincerely,

Connie S. Agulto
Acting Secretary of Finance

FY2023 Local Poker Fee Collections
AS OF 05/31/2023 TINIAN (3301)
Prepared Date: 6/1/2023

Balance as of 9/30/22			68,000.00
Revenue Collections as of 10/31/22	Machines Renewed	3	12,000.00
Revenue Collections as of 11/30/22	Machines Renewed	0	-
Revenue Collections as of 12/31/22	Machines Renewed	0	-
Revenue Collections as of 01/31/23	Machines Renewed	0	-
Revenue Collections as of 2/28/23	Machines Renewed	3	12,000.00
Revenue Collections as of 3/31/23	Machines Renewed	25	100,000.00
Revenue Collections as of 4/30/23	Machines Renewed	0	-
Revenue Collections as of 5/31/23	Machines Renewed	0	-
Revenue Collections as of 6/30/23	Machines Renewed	0	-
Revenue Collections as of 7/31/23	Machines Renewed	0	-
Revenue Collections as of 8/31/23	Machines Renewed	0	-
Revenue Collections as of 9/30/23	Machines Renewed	0	-
Total Revenues			192,000.00
Less Appropriation TLL 23-01			(68,000.00)
Adjustments			-
Balance:*			124,000.00

Report Done By:	
Senior Financial Analyst	Eleuterio S. Palacios Jr.
Reviewed & Confirmed By:	
Acting Secretary of Finance	Connie S. Agulto

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Account Ledger Inquiry

Account 3301.41620

From Date/Period 10/01/22

Thru Date/Period 05/31/23

Game of Chance

Ledger Type . . . AA

Subledger . . . *

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Y-T-D Period End : 124,000.00-

Cumul Period End : 124,000.00-

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.	CR	349890	10/21/22	LOC#0121 BCH#5256		12,000.00-	P
.	CR	351346	02/27/23	LOC#0121 BCH#5336		12,000.00-	P
.	CR	351367	03/01/23	LOC#0121 BCH#5338		44,000.00-	P
.	CR	351434	03/08/23	LOC#0121 BCH#5343		56,000.00-	P
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.						124,000.00-	
.				Ledger Total		124,000.00-	
.				Unposted Total			

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