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Pursuant to the House Rules of Procedures and the authority under the NMI Constitution, the Speaker of the House of Representatives announces that the House of Representatives of the Twenty-Second Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature will convene the following open and public meeting:

Meeting: House of Representatives Third Day, First Regular Session
Date and Time: Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 10:00 AM
Location: House Chamber, Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill

Copies of this notice, the official Session Call, and the agenda have been filed in the Office of the House Clerk, released to the media, and posted at the following locations:

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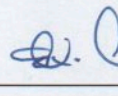
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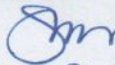
EDMUND SABLAN VILLAGOMEZ
SPEAKER

MEMORANDUM

DATE : 10 March 2021
TO : ALL HOUSE MEMBERS
FROM : Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez 
SUBJECT : Call for Session, 3rd Day, 1st Regular Session

Pursuant to the House Rules of Procedure and the authority vested in me under the NMI Constitution, I hereby call for the **3rd Day, 1st Regular Session for Tuesday, 16 March 2021 at 10:00 a.m.** in the House Chamber.

cc: Senate President
House Clerk
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

TWENTY-SECOND NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION 2021

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
3rd Day, First Regular Session	Tuesday, March 16, 2021	10:00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A Moment of Silence

- ROLL CALL**
- PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- ADOPTION OF JOURNALS – (1)**

Second Day, First Regular Session Journal – February 19, 2021

4. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

A. House Bills:

H. B. No. 22-24

To adopt the state model language for implementation of Public Law 110-289, TITLE V—S.A.F.E. MORTGAGE LICENSING ACT.

Prefiled by: **REP. JOSEPH LEEPAN T. GUERRERO** of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*)

H. B. No. 22-25

To provide relief to CNMI taxpayers affected by disasters by allowing relief from penalties and interest on unpaid taxes; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: **REP. IVAN A. BLANCO** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, John Paul P. Sablan, and Patrick H. San Nicolas)

H. B. No. 22-26

To amend 3 CMC §2204(e) to remove the limitation of terms for members to serve on the Health Care Professions Licensing Board; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: **REP. BLAS JONATHAN “BJ” T. ATTAO** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Celina R. Babauta, Sheila J. Babauta, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, John Paul P. Sablan, and Ralph N. Yumul)

H. B. NO. 22-27

To amend 4 CMC §1407(b) to remove the 15-day grace period and to provide the Division of Customs with the authority to promulgate and establish application fees for low-risk importer applicants; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*)

H. B. NO. 22-28

To rename the structure for the Center for Living Independently in the CNMI to “The Lydia D. Igitol Center for Living Independently in the CNMI”; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ of Saipan, Precinct 3, (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Richard T. Lizama, and Denita Kaipat Yangetmai)

H. B. NO. 22-29

To amend 1 CMC § 121 in order to eradicate the unconstitutional public purpose presumption for legislative expenditures.

Prefiled by: REP. CHRISTINA M.E. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for herself*, Representatives Celina R. Babauta, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, and Denita Kaipat Yangetmai)

H. B. NO. 22-30

To grant the Legislature a reasonable allowance, to define a “reasonable allowance”, to set the amount of the allowance, and to certify it as a public purpose.

Prefiled by: REP. CHRISTINA M.E. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for herself*, Representatives Celina R. Babauta, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, and Denita Kaipat Yangetmai)

H. B. NO. 22-31

To authorize the Department of Public Lands to issue licenses and use permits and charge fees for the use of the public lands located within 150 feet of the high water mark.

Prefiled by: REP. JOSEPH LEEPAN T. GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Angel A. Demapan, and Joseph A. Flores)

H. B. NO. 22-32

To amend the Litter Control Act to the prohibit the possession of glass containers while on public beaches; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. JOSEPH LEEPAN T. GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Angel A. Demapan, and Joseph A. Flores)

H. B. NO. 22-33

To require legislative appropriation for all Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund monies allocated for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands by the U.S. Congress pursuant to Title VI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801 et seq.) as amended by [the American Rescue Plan]; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. DONALD M. MANGLONA of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for himself, Representatives, Celina R. Babauta, Richard T. Lizama, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, and Denita Kaipat Yangetmai*)

H. B. NO. 22-34

To provide a tax credit for taxpayers who make donations of cash or food supplies to a qualified local food pantry, homeless shelter, or soup kitchen.

Prefiled by: REP. CELINA R. BABAUTA of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for herself*)

H. B. NO. 22-35

To add a provision to prohibit convicted felons from possessing firearms and/or ammunition; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. CELINA R. BABAUTA of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for herself*)

H. B. NO. 22-36

To repeal and reenact 6 CMC §4115 to provide better clarity for trial courts to impose sentences.

Prefiled by: REP. CELINA R. BABAUTA of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for herself*)

H. B. NO. 22-37

To amend Title 6, Division 3, Chapter 2 of the Commonwealth Code by establishing a penalty provision for criminal defendants who fail to appear in court on their scheduled date.

Prefiled by: REP. CELINA R. BABAUTA of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for herself*)

H. B. NO. 22-38

To amend Title 6, Division 5, Chapter 3, Article 2. Protection of Abused Children, to enact a new §5326. Discovery of evidence of child abuse or recordings of child witnesses, and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. CELINA R. BABAUTA of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for herself, Representative Christina M.E. Sablan*)

H. B. NO. 22-39

To amend Title 6, Division 6, Chapter 5. Witnesses, by adding a new §6503. Witness to Child Outcry of Abuse, and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. CELINA R. BABAUTA of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for herself, Representative Christina M.E. Sablan*)

H. B. NO. 22-40

To establish provisions for jaywalking; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. JOSEPH A. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, John Paul P. Sablan, and Ralph N. Yumul*)

H. B. NO. 22-41

To amend 9 CMC §8209 by removing the seven-day grace period for motorists who violate 9 CMC §§8203 and 8204; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. JOSEPH A. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, John Paul P. Sablan, and Ralph N. Yumul)

H. B. NO. 22-42

To amend 4 CMC §1943 to authorize developer infrastructure tax credits for appropriate Chamorro and Carolinian culture designs; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. JOSEPH A. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, John Paul P. Sablan, and Ralph N. Yumul)

H. B. NO. 22-43

To create an anti-littering incentive program by providing a reward for persons reporting violations of the Litter Control Act; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. JOEL C. CAMACHO of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Ivan A. Blanco, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, and Patrick H. San Nicolas)

H. B. NO. 22-44

To conserve, protect, and enhance the CNMI’s native plants and trees for generations to come and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. JOEL C. CAMACHO of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Ivan A. Blanco, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Donald M. Manglona, and Patrick H. San Nicolas)

H. B. NO. 22-45

To authorize the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Department of Finance in consultation with Department of Public Works to enter into a loan agreement for a sum up to \$16,800,000.00 for the construction and improvement of roads in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Prefiled by: REP. BLAS JONATHAN “BJ” T. ATTAO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Celina R. Babauta, Ivan A. Blanco, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, John Paul P. Sablan, Patrick H. San Nicolas, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul)

H. B. NO. 22-46

To repeal and re-enact 4 CMC 1402 (g) to allocate 10 percent of the excise tax to the Solid Waste Management Revolving Fund.

Prefiled by: REP. BLAS JONATHAN “BJ” T. ATTAO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Celina R. Babauta, Ivan A. Blanco, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Richard T. Lizama, John Paul P. Sablan, Patrick H. San Nicolas, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul)

B. House Local Bills:

H. L. B. No. 22-4

To appropriate up to Two Hundred Two Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Six US Dollars (\$202,996.00) of the Earned Bond Interest Income collected for the Second Senatorial District that has been identified by the Commonwealth Development Authority as available for appropriations; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (*for himself*)

H. L. B. No. 22-5

To appropriate funds specifically allotted to the Second Senatorial District under Public Law 18-30, as amended; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (*for himself*)

H. L. B. No. 22-6

To appropriate funds specifically allotted to the First Senatorial District under Public Law 18-30, as amended; and for other purposes.

Prefiled by: REP. DONALD M. MANGLONA of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for himself*)

C. House Legislative Initiatives:

5. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

A. House Resolutions:

H. RES. NO. 22-4

To congratulate and honor all the women in the Commonwealth as we celebrate their contributions and achievements during the month of March 2021 proclaimed as CNMI Women's Month and March 8th as International Women's Day.

Prefiled by: REP. DENITA KAIPAT YANGETMAI of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for herself, Representatives Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Vicente C. Camacho, Richard T. Lizama, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, Patrick H. San Nicolas, and Leila H.F.C. Staffler*)

B. House Joint Resolutions:

H. J. R. No. 22-1

To congratulate and honor all the women in the Commonwealth as we celebrate their contributions and achievements during the month of March 2021 proclaimed as CNMI Women's Month and March 8th as International Women's Day.

Prefiled by: REP. DENITA KAIPAT YANGETMAI of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for herself, Representative Christina M.E. Sablan*)

H. J. R. No. 22-2

Strongly supports a delay in the proposed coral critical habitat designation process by National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) until such time as the 5-year coral status review and coral recovery plan can be completed, and have the Department of Lands and Natural

Resources work in coordination with NMFS in identifying appropriate coral critical habitat for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) using Best Scientific Information Available.

Prefiled by: REP. BLAS JONATHAN “BJ” T. ATTAO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Ivan A. Blanco, John Paul P. Sablan, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul)

C. House Commemorative Resolutions:

C. RES. NO. 22-1

To extend our sincere condolences and sympathies to the family of the late Honorable Michael Napu King Aldan and to honor his memory whose worthy endeavors contributed to the quality of life in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Prefiled by: REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Sheila J. Babauta, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, John Paul P. Sablan, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, Edmund S. Villagomez, and Ralph N. Yumul)

C. RES. NO. 22-2

To extend our sincere condolences and sympathies to the family of the late Honorable Joaquin Hoashi Borja and to honor his memory whose admirable endeavors contributed to the quality of life in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Prefiled by: REP. PATRICK H. SAN NICOLAS of Tinian, Precinct 6 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul)

C. RES. NO. 22-3

To honor and commend Rose Lifoifoi Igitol for her utmost dedication and commitment to the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) and the Guam-CNMI Committee.

Prefiled by: REP. CELINA R. BABAUTA of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for herself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Joseph A. Flores, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul)

D. House Concurrent Resolutions:

6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

GOV. COMM. 22-21: (received 2/18/2021) **Executive Order 2021-04 – RENEWING AUTHORITY—Order authorizing the Secretary of Finance to reprogram or transfer funds from accounts of any department, agency, office, board, commission, corporation, instrumentality or other entity of all branches of the Commonwealth Government in order to meet the threat of COVID-19.**

7. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

SEN. COMM. 22-5: (2/25/2021) Transmitting for House action S. B. No. 22-29, entitled, “*To authorize government agencies, boards, and commissions to promulgate regulations to utilize electronic means to participate in official meetings.*”, which was passed by the Senate on February 25, 2021. [*For action*]

SEN. COMM. 22-6: (3/2/2021) Transmitting a certified copy of Senate Resolution No. 22-3, entitled, “*To commemorate the distinguished and honorable life of the late Michael Napu King Aldan and to recognize his outstanding accomplishments and exemplary public service to the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.*”, which was adopted by the Senate on February 25, 2021. [*For info*]

8. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS – (None)

9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH

JUD. BR. COMM. 22-1: (3/2/2021) From the CNMI Judiciary re: *submission of FY 2022 Budget Request.* [*For info*]

10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-5: (2/18/2021) From the Secretary of the Department of Finance submitting comments on H. B. No. 22-5, entitled, “*To repeal Title 4 Section 1709 of the Commonwealth Code in order to provide relief for working families by making them eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. CHRISTINA M.E. SABLAN + 10 others and is currently in the House Committee on Ways and Means on February 19, 2021.* [*For info*]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-6: (received 2/17/2021) From the Marianas Public Land Trust (MPLT) submitting: *FY 2019—Annual Report .* [*For info*]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-7: (2/26/2021) From the Commonwealth Development Authority (CDA) re: *FY 2022 Budget Submission.* [*For info*]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-8: (2/26/2021) Commonwealth Casino Commission (Commission) re: *FY 2022 Budget Submission.* [*For info*]

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 22-9: (3/11/2021) From the Office of the Public Auditor submitting *Report on CNMI Agencies’ Implementation of Audit Recommendations as of December 31, 2020.* [*For info*]

11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

MISC. COMM. 22-7: (2/4/2021) From the 16th Saipan and Northern Islands Municipal Council re: *open discussions on pending matters of the SNI Municipal Council inclusive with the upcoming FY 2022.* [*For info*]

MISC. COMM. 22-8: (received 2/9/2021) From the Northern Marianas Technical Institute (NMTI) Committee on Transition submitting transition report. [*For info*]

16. BILL CALENDAR

Bill/Initiative	Subject	Action

17. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

18. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(ADJOURNMENT)

APPEARANCE OF LOCAL BILLS

FIRST LEGISLATIVE DAY: 1st Legislative appearance of a local bill is on the day it is introduced.

SECOND LEGISLATIVE DAY:

THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY:

*Appearance of Measures introduced on the House Floor during the House Session on
February 19, 2021:*

H. B. No. 22-1: To establish the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Civil Remedies for unauthorized disclosure of intimate images Act of 2021; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH LEEPAN T. GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 22-2: To amend the Commonwealth Code to authorize civil claims for child sexual abuse to be commenced at any time; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH LEEPAN T. GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*), Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Vicente C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Richard T. Lizama, Edwin K. Propst, and Denita K. Yangetmai) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 22-3: To amend 9 CMC §2101(d) by requiring the motor vehicle liability insurance expiration to be consistent with the vehicle registration expiration; and for other purposes. Introduced REP. JOSEPH A. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 22-4: To amend the Department of Public Safety’s time period to produce police traffic and criminal investigation reports from 10 days to 3 days. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH A. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 22-5: To amend 1 CMC §20175 to include additional members to serve on the Planning and Development Advisory Council (PDAC); and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH LEEPAN T. GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*), Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Ivan A. Blanco, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, and John Paul P. Sablan) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 22-6: To amend 4 CMC §1401(d) to increase revenues by properly taxing tobacco products. Introduced by REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*), Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Ivan A. Blanco, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, and Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H. B. No. 22-7: To provide clarity relative to the crime of promoting prison contraband, or otherwise known as the Contraband Reform Act of 2021; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*), Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Ivan A. Blanco, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A.

Flores, and Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 22-8: To establish the level of funding for the Legislature and provide the Legislature with control of the expenditure of funds appropriated for its operations. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH LEEPAN T. GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Ivan A. Blanco, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, and John Paul P. Sablan) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H. B. No. 22-9: To regulate trust and fiduciaries; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. IVAN A. BLANCO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, and John Paul P. Sablan) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Commerce and Tourism.

H. B. No. 22-10: To prohibit the use of certain disposable food service containers. Introduced by REP. IVAN A. BLANCO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, and Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Commerce and Tourism.

H. B. No. 22-11: To enact a provision to require all CNMI government agencies to prepare and submit a fiscal impact statement and a fiscal revenue statement for related legislations to the Legislature when said agencies are affected and required to do so by law. Introduced by REP. IVAN A. BLANCO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, and John Paul P. Sablan) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H. B. No. 22-12: To amend 4 CMC § 51420 (b) to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to establish and promulgate reasonable registration and permitting fees through adopted regulations; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. IVAN A. BLANCO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, and John Paul P. Sablan) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Commerce and Tourism.

H. B. No. 22-13: To create the Commonwealth Worker Fee Revolving Fund and to designate the Secretary of the Department of Labor as the expenditure authority of said fund; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. IVAN A. BLANCO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, and John Paul P. Sablan) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H. B. No. 22-14: To establish the Department of Corrections Residential Mental Health Unit; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH LEEPAN T. GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Joseph A. Flores, and Edmund S. Villagomez) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Health and Welfare.

H. B. No. 22-15: To establish the Foster Care Sponsorship Program under the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs Division of Youth Services; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH LEEPAN T. GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, and Representative Angel A. Demapan) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Health and Welfare.

H. B. No. 22-16: To temporarily suspend the provisions of 4 CMC section 2159 for the 2021 fiscal year. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH LEEPAN T. GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, and Representative Angel A. Demapan) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H. B. No. 22-17: To amend 9 CMC § 2401 to authorize the Bureau of Motor Vehicles to regulate chauffeur licenses in the CNMI; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH LEEPAN T. GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, and Representative Angel A. Demapan) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 22-18: To amend Division 4 of Title 6 of the Commonwealth Code relating to disposition of offenders and sentencing to provide criteria for imposition of enhanced sentencing of defendants for crimes motivated by hate. Introduced REP. DONALD M. MANGLONA of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Sheila J. Babauta, Richard T. Lizama, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, Edmund S. Villagomez, and Ralph N. Yumul) on February 19, 2021; House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 22-19: To repeal Title 4 Section 1709 of the Commonwealth Code in order to provide relief for working families by making them eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. CHRISTINA M.E. SABLAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for herself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Sheila J. Babauta, Vicente C.

Camacho, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, Edmund S. Villagomez and Ralph N. Yumul) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H. B. No. 22-20: To amend Title 2, Division 2, Chapter 1 of the Commonwealth Code to grant the Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA) – Ports Police with law enforcement authority. Introduced by REP. BLAS JONATHAN “BJ” T. ATTAO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Celina R. Babauta, Ivan A. Blanco, Vicente C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, Patrick H. San Nicolas, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, Edmund S. Villagomez, and Ralph N. Yumul) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

H. B. No. 22-21: To strengthen the tools and powers of the CNMI Government to promote and expand economic development and to establish the Commonwealth Economic Development Authority. Introduced by REP. ANGEL A. DEMAPAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Ivan A. Blanco, Joel C. Camacho, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, and John Paul P. Sablan) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Commerce and Tourism.

H. B. No. 22-22: To establish laws to regulate bioprospecting activities within the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in order to ensure prior, informed consent and equitable sharing of benefits. Introduced by REP. ANGEL A. DEMAPAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Ivan A. Blanco, Joel C. Camacho, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, John Paul P. Sablan, and Patrick H. San Nicolas) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H. B. No. 22-23: To enact provisions regarding confinement of dogs, enforcement authority to the office of the mayor for each senatorial district, and fines for registered pet owners who fail to secure their dogs; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. RICHARD T. LIZAMA of Saipan, Precinct 5 (*for himself*, Representatives Celina R. Babauta, and Leila H.F.C. Staffler) on February 19, 2021; subsequently referred to the House Committee on Health and Welfare.

H. L. B. No. 22-1: To appropriate sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) from the Rota Municipal Scholarship Foundation Reserve Account (specifically under BU 2301); and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. DONALD M. MANGLONA of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for himself*) on February 19, 2021.

H. L. B. No. 22-2: To appropriate sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) from the Poker Licensing Fee Account (specifically under BU 3302); and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. DONALD M. MANGLONA of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for himself*) on February 19, 2021.

H. L. B. No. 22-3: To appropriate up to Six Hundred Eighteen Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Eight US Dollars (\$618,138) of the Earned Bond Interest Income collected for the Third Senatorial District that has been identified by the Commonwealth Development Authority as available for appropriations; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. IVAN A. BLANCO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Joel C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Richard T. Lizama, John Paul P. Sablan, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, Edmund S. Villagomez, and Ralph N. Yumul) on February 19, 2021.

H. RES. NO. 22-2: To extend our sincere condolences and sympathies to the family of the late Bob Reynolds and to honor his memory whose worthy endeavors contributed to the quality of life in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Introduced by REP. IVAN A. BLANCO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Roy C.A. Ada; Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Celina R. Babauta, Sheila J. Babauta, Joel C. Camacho, Vicente C. Camacho, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph A. Flores, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Richard T. Lizama, Donald M. Manglona, Edwin K. Propst, Christina M.E. Sablan, John Paul P. Sablan, Patrick H. San Nicolas, Leila H.F.C. Staffler, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita K. Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul) on February 19, 2021 and placed on the Resolution Calendar, there was no objections raised on the floor.

H. RES. NO. 22-3: To amend the House of Representatives Rules of Procedure that was adopted on January 11, 2021; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. RALPH N. YUMUL of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Sheila J. Babauta, and Christina M.E. Sablan) on February 19, 2021 and placed on the Resolution Calendar, there was no objections on the floor. [Adopted 02/19/2021 and transmitted]