

**TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH**

**LEGISLATURE**

**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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SESSION, 2023

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

To appropriate \$124,000.00 from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE SECOND 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 One Hundred Twenty-Four  
3 Thousand dollars (\$124,000.00 USD) from revenues collected from poker fees in  
4 the Second Senatorial District. The certification of funds was prepared on June 1,  
5 2023 and was reviewed and confirmed by the Acting Secretary of Finance.

6 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS.**

7           Notwithstanding any provision(s) of law, statutes, rules or regulations to the  
8 contrary and pursuant to funds allocated to the Second Senatorial District from  
9 poker fees, the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation hereby appropriates

1 \$124,000.00 of the revenues collected for the Second Senatorial District from the  
2 poker fees as follows:

3 (A) \$124,000.00 to the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan for personnel and  
4 operations.

5 **SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.**

6 The expenditure authority for funds under Section 2 shall be the Mayor of  
7 Tinian and Aguiguan.

8 **SECTION 4. REPROGRAMMING.**

9 Funds appropriated under this act shall not be reprogrammed for any other  
10 purpose and notwithstanding any provision of law, all funds appropriated under this  
11 Act shall be without fiscal year limitation(s).

12 **SECTION 5. REPORTING OF EXPENDITURES.**

13 The recipient of the funds allocated under Section 2 of this Act shall be  
14 responsible to report all expenses to the Secretary of the Department of Finance by  
15 the end of the 2023 calendar year. Provided further that failure to provide all  
16 expenses, entities that were afforded funds under this Act shall not be able to avail  
17 to any future funds appropriated by the Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation.

18 **SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY.**

19 If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision to any  
20 person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction,  
21 the remainder of this Act or the application of its provisions to persons or

1 circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be affected  
2 thereby.


3 **SECTION 7. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

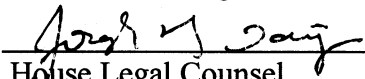
4 This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as  
5 affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes  
6 repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers  
7 contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding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

11 **SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

12 This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or it becoming  
13 law without such approval.

Prefiled: 6/15/2023

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Introduced by:   
Rep. Patrick H. San Nicolas

Reviewed for Legal Sufficiency by:  
  
House Legal Counsel

Office of the Secretary  
Department of Finance



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June 1, 2023

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Hon. Patrick H. San Nicolas  
House of Representative  
Precinct VI  
23<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto:C.Agulto@dof.gov.mp).


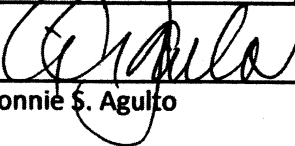
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Agulto".

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			<b>68,000.00</b>
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	-
<b>Total Revenues</b>			<b>192,000.00</b>
<b>Less Appropriation TLL 23-01</b>			<b>(68,000.00)</b>
<b>Adjustments</b>			<b>-</b>
<b>Balance:*</b>			<b>124,000.00</b>

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

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Account Ledger Inquiry

Account . . . . . 3301.41620  
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From Date/Period 10/01/22  
 Thru Date/Period 05/31/23  
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Game of Chance

124,000.00-  
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..	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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