



**Arnold I. Palacios**  
Governor

**David M. Apatang**  
Lieutenant Governor

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS  
**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

September 03, 2024

GOV2024-648

The Honorable John Paul P. Sablan  
Chairman  
Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation  
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas  
Commonwealth Legislature  
Saipan, MP 96950

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



Ⓟ 9/4/24

Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law **House Local Bill No. 23-56**, entitled "To re-appropriate One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 20-26, Section 2(r)(1), specifically under Business Unit 7190D.," which was passed by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This Bill becomes **Saipan Local Law No. 23-20**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

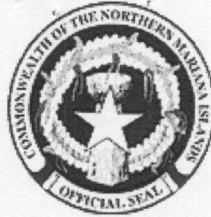
Sincerely,

**ARNOLD I. PALACIOS**  
Governor

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
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*J. A. Sablan*  
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cc: Lieutenant Governor; Attorney General; Commonwealth Law Revision;  
Public Auditor; Secretary of Finance; Special Assistant for Administration;  
SA, Youth Affairs; SA, SAAR; Commissioner, DOC; Secretary DLNR;  
Programs and Legislative Review Office



**SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION  
THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE  
FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2024**

**HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 23-56**

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

To re-appropriate One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 20-26, Section 2(r)(1), specifically under Business Unit 7190D.

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**OFFERED BY**

**Representatives Manny G. T. Castro, Vincent R. S. Aldan, Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Diego V. F. Camacho, and John Paul P. Sablan  
Prefiled on June 4, 2024  
Introduced on June 25, 2024**

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**HOUSE ACTION**

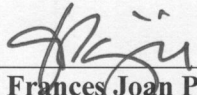
Transmitted to Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation for action on  
**August 9, 2024**

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**DELEGATION ACTION**

<b>Referred to:</b>	None
<b>Comments Solicited:</b>	8/9/24 Mayor of Saipan [Del. Matters 23-84] 8/9/24 Mayor of Northern Islands [Del. Matters 23-85] 17 <sup>th</sup> SNIMC [Del. Matters 23-86]]
<b>Comments Received:</b>	8/22/24 Mayor of Saipan [Mayors Comm. 23-23]
<b>Standing Committee Report:</b>	None
<b>Passed First &amp; Final Reading:</b>	September 3, 2024

  
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**Frances Joan P. Kaipat  
Delegation Clerk**





**SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION  
THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
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**THIRD SPECIAL SESSION, 2024**

**H. L. B. NO. 23-56**

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**BE IT ENACTED BY THE THIRD 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 re-appropriate One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars  
3 (\$120,000.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 20-26, Section 2(r)(1), specifically under Business  
4 Unit 7190D.

5 **SECTION 2. RE-APPROPRIATION.**

6           Notwithstanding any provisions, statutes, laws or regulations to the contrary, the Saipan  
7 and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation hereby re-appropriates One Hundred Twenty  
8 Thousand Dollars (\$120,000.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 20-26, Section 2(r)(1),  
9 specifically under Business Unit 7190D, as follows:

10           (a) Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the Office of the Special Assistant for Youth Affairs

1 for operations necessary to execute community projects and initiatives in Precinct II;

2 (b) Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the Office of Drugs and Substance Abuse to administer  
3 the Substance Abuse, Addiction & Rehabilitation (SAAR) Program, including funding  
4 operations necessary to execute community projects and initiatives in Precinct II;

5 (c) Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for the Division of Corrections to administer  
6 correctional programs affecting Precinct II, such as the Department of Corrections (DOC)  
7 Outreach Program;

8 (d) Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00) for the Division of Parks and Recreation for the  
9 maintenance and improvements of Commonwealth parks and recreational facilities in Precinct  
10 II.

11 **SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.**

12 The expenditure authority for the funds under Section 2(a) of this Act shall be the Special  
13 Assistant of the Office of Youth Affairs.

14 The expenditure authority for the funds under Section 2(b) of this Act shall be the Special  
15 Assistant for Drugs and Substance Abuse.

16 The expenditure authority for the funds under Section 2(c) of this Act shall be the Director  
17 of the Division of Corrections in consultation with the Commissioner of the Department of  
18 Corrections.

19 The expenditure authority for the funds under Section 2(d) of this Act shall be the Director  
20 of the Division of Parks and Recreation in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of  
21 Lands and Natural Resources.



1    **SECTION 4. REPROGRAMING.**

2           Notwithstanding any laws, provisions or regulations to the contrary, funds appropriated  
3    under this Act shall not be reprogrammed for any other purpose.

4    **SECTION 5. REPORTING.**

5           Expenditure authorities shall submit to the Chairperson of the Saipan and Northern Islands  
6    Legislative Delegation a detail report showing the expenditure of funds appropriated under this  
7    Act.

8    **SECTION 6. FUND DISTRIBUTION.**

9           Funds appropriated under Section 2 of this Act shall be distributed for their intended  
10   purposes and to the appropriate entities upon this Act becoming law.

11   **SECTION 7. FISCAL YEAR.**

12           The funds allocated under this Act shall be without fiscal year limitation(s).

13   **SECTION 8. SEVERABILITY.**

14           If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision to any person or  
15   circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act  
16   or the application of its provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held  
17   invalid shall not be affected thereby.

18   **SECTION 9. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

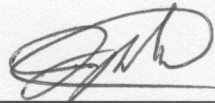
19           This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any existing  
20   right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or  
21   order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding

1 instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of the Act shall not have the effect of  
2 terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in  
3 existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

4 **SECTION 10. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

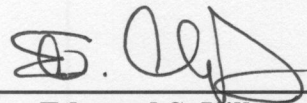
5 This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or it becoming law without  
6 such approval.

**CERTIFIED BY:**



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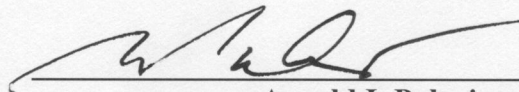
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**Edmund S. Villagomez**  
**Speaker**  
23<sup>rd</sup> House of Representatives

Approved this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2024.



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**Arnold I. Palacios**  
**Governor**  
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands





Office of the Secretary  
**Department of Finance**

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Funding Source: 4 CMC § 2307 Disposition of Revenues  
 Project Name: SLL 20-26 P2- Various Projects  
 JDE Business Unit: 7190D  
 Project Ledger Number: 2001210078  
 General Ledger Number: 7190D  
 Request From: Dave Damapan  
 Requested By: Legislature  
 Prepared on: 4/3/2024

	SCF	Financial Services	Total
SLL 20-26 Section 2 (r)			\$ 1,035,000.00
<b>JDE Revenue</b>			
FY 2018			
(Transfers In)	\$ 1,035,000.00		\$ 1,035,000.00
Revised Budget (Transfers Out)			\$ -
<b>JDE Expenses as of 09/30/2018</b>			
Actuals			\$ -
Encumbrance			\$ -
Ending Balance FY2018			\$ 1,035,000.00
No Activity		FY 2019	
No Activity		FY 2020	
No Activity		FY 2021	
<b>PL Revenue</b>			
FY 2022			
(Transfers In)	\$ 1,035,000.00		\$ 1,035,000.00
Revised Budget (Transfers Out)	\$ (1,035,000.00)		\$ (1,035,000.00)
<b>PL Expenses</b>			
Actuals	\$ 8,500.00		\$ (8,500.00)
Encumbrance		\$ 9,871.65	\$ (9,871.65)
Ending Balance FY2022			\$ 1,016,628.35
<b>PL Revenue</b>			
FY 2023			
(Transfers In)			\$ -
Revised Budget (Transfers Out)			\$ -
<b>PL Expenses</b>			
Actuals	\$ 9,871.65		\$ (9,871.65)
Encumbrance		\$ (9,871.65)	\$ 9,871.65
Requisitions			\$ -
<b>GL Expenses</b>			
Actuals	\$ 2,526.00		\$ (2,526.00)
Encumbrance		\$ 42,405.00	\$ (42,405.00)
Requisitions			\$ -
Ending Balance FY2023			\$ 971,697.35
<b>PL Revenue</b>			
FY 2024			
(Transfers In)			\$ -
Revised Budget (Transfers Out)			\$ -
<b>GL Revenue</b>			
(Transfers In)			\$ -
Revised Budget (Transfers Out)	\$ (130,334.00)		\$ (130,334.00)
<b>PL Expenses</b>			
Actuals			\$ -
Encumbrance			\$ -
Requisitions			\$ -
<b>GL Expenses</b>			
Actuals	\$ 50,000.00		\$ (50,000.00)
Encumbrance			\$ -
Requisitions			\$ -
Available Balance as of 04/03/2024			\$ 791,363.35
			\$ 791,363.35 Certified Balance



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YTD Budget Report as of	4/3/2024	\$	791,363.35
JDE De-Obligation of Encumbrances		Debit	Credit
No Adjustments Needed			
General Journal		Debit	Credit
No Adjustments Needed			
Budget Transfers and Amendments		Decrease	Increase
2001210078-51200700-89000		968628.00	

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