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Arnold I. Palacios
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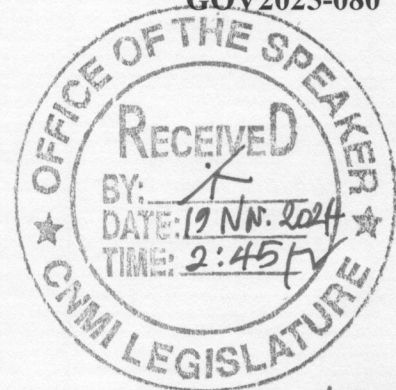
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COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
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The Honorable Karl R. King-Nabors
Chairman
Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950



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

Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law **House Local Bill No. 23-66, D1**, entitled, "To appropriate Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes." The bill was passed unanimously by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This bill becomes **Tinian Local Law No. 23-18**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

ARNOLD I. PALACIOS
Governor

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**TINIAN AND AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT
TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2024**

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 23-66, D1

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

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OFFERED BY

Representative Patrick H. San Nicolas

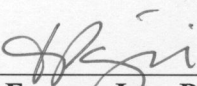
Introduced on October 25, 2024

HOUSE ACTION

Transmitted to Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action on
October 25, 2024

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred to:	None
Comments Solicited:	10/25/24: Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan [Del. Matters 23-68] & Tinian & Aguiguan Municipal Council [Del. Matters 23-69]
Comments Received:	10/30/24: Mayors Comm. 23-60
Special Committee Report:	None
Passed First & Final Reading:	November 18, 2024, w/D1



Frances Joan P. Kaipat
Delegation Clerk



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**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 Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00 USD) from
3 revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District. The certification of funds
4 was prepared on October 22, 2024. *See* Misc. Comm. No. 23-27. This appropriation of local funds
5 is not part of the FY2025 Budget Act. Therefore, this local appropriation of local funds does not
6 contravene 1CMC§ 7401 and 1 CMC §7404(d) or any other provision of the CNMI Budget Act.

7 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS.**

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

1 Aguiguan Legislative Delegation hereby appropriates under Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00)
2 of the revenues collected for the Second Senatorial District from the poker fees as follows:

3 (A) \$40,000.00 to the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan for personnel, operations,
4 professional services, and public programs; and

5 (B) \$20,000.00 to the Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission for personnel.

6 **SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.**

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

9 **SECTION 4. REPROGRAMMING.**

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

13 **SECTION 5. REPORTING OF EXPENDITURES.**

14 The recipient of the funds allocated under Section 2 of this Act shall be responsible to
15 report all expenses responsible to report all expenses to the Secretary of the Department of Finance
16 by the end of the 2025 calendar year. Provided further that failure to provide all expenses, entities
17 that were afforded funds under this Act shall not be able to avail to any future funds appropriated
18 by the Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation.

19 **SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY.**

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

1 or the application of its provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held
2 invalid shall not be affected thereby.

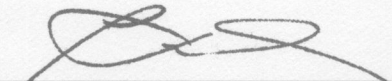
3 **SECTION 7. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

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

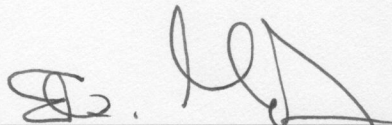
10 **SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

CERTIFIED BY:

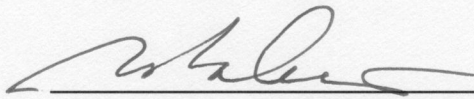


Karl R. King-Nabors
Chairman
Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation



Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker
23rd House of Representatives

Approved this 19th day of November, 2024.



Arnold I. Palacios
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands



Fwd: Funds Status for 2nd Senatorial District

1 message

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To: Antonette Villagomez <villagomez@gmail.com>

Mon, Nov 18, 2024 at 10:27 AM

pls see attached as requested.

Very Respectfully,

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23rd Commonwealth Legislature
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Subject: RE: Funds Status for 2nd Senatorial District
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Hello Zania,

Good afternoon. For Tinian Poker (3301), we certified this back in August 2024 with poker collections as of ending July 31, 2024, under FC314. It looks like they've collected poker fees again from August thru September to end the fiscal year 2024.

Please see YTD 3301 Tinian Poker as of 09.30.24 with a total available budget amount \$174,000.

However, TLL 23-17 was passed/signed into law on October 2, 2024 appropriating \$114,000 for the Second Senatorial District. Thus, leaving you with the below remaining balance available for future appropriations.

TINIAN POKER 3301

YTD as of 09/30/24 \$ 174,000.00
 TLL 23-17 \$ (114,000.00) *Passed 10/2/2024*

Remaining balance \$ 60,000.00

Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to our office.

Thank you and respectfully,



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Good Afternoon Secretary Norita,

Kindly see the attached funds status request from Representative San Nicolas. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact us.

Very Respectfully,

Zania Fleming