



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TWENTIETH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
SPECIAL SESSION, 2017

AMENDED

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
1st Day, Fifth Special Session	Tuesday, June 27, 2017	1:51 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A Moment of Silence

1. ROLL CALL

18 Members present; 2 Members absent. (Reps. Edwin P. Aldan and Edmund S. Villagomez [ABS-EXC])

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments (verbal) was presented by approximately 6 individuals on:

S. C. R. No. 20-10, S1: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-43, entitled: "To clarify and define the Attorney General's duties and responsibilities in the promulgation of rules and regulations, in reviewing contracts and in representing the commonwealth government or its executive departments; and for other purposes." *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 20-43, HD1.*

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S. C. R. No. 20-39: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-68, entitled: "To enact provisions that will fund non-immigrant worker registration and work identification operations for the Department of Labor; and for other purposes." *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 20-68, HD1.*

H. B. No. 20-15, HD1, SD2: A Bill for an Act to amend 4 CMC §2308 by adding new subsection covering Northern Marianas College, Northern Marianas Trades Institute, payment of land claim settlements, and other money judgments and settlements against the CNMI government, retirees death benefits, the First Senatorial District, the Second Senatorial District, the Third Senatorial District and establishing a special account. *See SEN. COMM. 20-23*

S. C. R. No. 20-28: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-42, entitled: "To amend 4 CMC, § 1302 (a), Tax on Agriculture Producers and Fishing to include Artists registered with the Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture." *Your Committee on Ways and Means recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-42 in its current form.*

And other miscellaneous matters that was not part of the House amended Agenda.

3. ADOPTION OF JOURNALS

First Day, Fourth Special Session Journal – June 6, 2017 - Adopted 6/27/17

4. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

A. House Bills:

H. B. NO. 20-89: To repeal and reenact 4 CMC § 2307 to provide for an additional funding source to the Saipan Higher Educational Financial Assistance (SHEFA); and for other purposes. Introduced by **REP. IVAN A. BLANCO** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*) on June 27, 2016; subsequently referred to the Committee on Gaming.

H. B. NO. 20-90: To restrict the removal of ancient human remains or other culturally significant artifacts from the CNMI. Introduced by **REP. ALICE S. IGITOL** of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for herself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Angel A. Demapan, Janet U. Maratita, Gregorio M. Sablan Jr., and John Paul P. Sablan) on June 27, 2017; subsequently referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

H. B. NO. 20-91: To exempt the residents of our neighboring island of Guam from the operator’s license requirements by amending Title 9, Subsection 2203 Operator’s License: Exemption from License. Introduced by **REP. IVAN A. BLANCO** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*) on June 27, 2017; subsequently referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

[Added 6/27/17] **H. B. NO. 20-92:** To amend section 302(f)(9), to authorize reprogramming to fund the Early Head Start and Head Start centers; and for other purposes. Introduced by **REP. ANGEL A. DEMAPAN** of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*) on June 27, 2017; Representative Angel A. Demapan request that the House place the measure on the Bill Calendar for House action in the next scheduled session; there being no objections; the Chair requested a motion by the Floor Leader to place on calendar; the motion was made seconded; no discussion was made on the floor; thereby the motion was carried by voice vote.

B. House Local Bills:

H. L. B. NO. 20-18: To amend the Saipan Official Zoning Map Sheet 06 of 29, rezoning lots 141 E 02 and 141 E 05 from “Village Residential” to “Tourist Resort” Zoning District. Introduced by **REP. ALICE S. IGITOL** of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for herself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Donald C. Barcinas, Francisco S. Dela Cruz, Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero, Lorenzo I. Deleon Guerrero, Angel A. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Jose I. Itibus, Janet U. Maratita, and John Paul P. Sablan) on June 27, 2017.

H. L. B. NO. 20-25: To appropriate additional funds realized, specifically allotted to the Third Senatorial District under Public Law No. 18-30 as amended, for the CNMI Drug Court; and for other purposes. Introduced by **REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLAN** of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, and Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao) on June 27, 2017.

H. L. B. NO. 20-26: To appropriate funds specifically allotted to the First Senatorial District under Public Law No. 18-30 in the amount of Thirty Thousand, Seven Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars (\$30,749.00 USD); and for other purposes. Introduced by **REP. GLENN L. MARATITA** of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for himself*) on June 27, 2017.

H. L. B. NO. 20-27: To amend 10 CMC §3132 Gross Laden Weight Fee and §3136 Saipan Village and Secondary Road Fund; and for other purposes. Introduced by **REP. LORENZO I. DELEON GUERRERO** of Saipan, Precinct 5 (*for himself*) on June 27, 2017.

[ADDED 6/27/17] **H. L. B. NO. 20-28:** To appropriate the amount of Sixty-nine Thousand Nine-hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$69,918.00 USD) from local license fees collected for poker and pachinko slot machines in the First Senatorial District; and for other purposes. Introduced by **REP. GLENN L. MARATITA** of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for himself*) on June 27, 2017.

C. *House Legislative Initiatives:*

5. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

A. *House Resolutions:*

H. RES. NO. 20-9: To respectfully encourage the Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to recognize and support the need to change the time period of authorized stay under the Guam-CNMI Visa Waiver Program and respectfully encourage the Governor to petition the consideration and approval of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Introduced by **REP. IVAN A. BLANCO** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representative Donald C. Barcinas) on June 27, 2017; subsequently referred to the Committee on Federal and Foreign Affairs. – Refer to FFA

[ADDED 6/27/17] **H. RES. NO. 20-10:** To support the Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation's application to the 340B Drug Pricing Program under the Office of Pharmacy Affairs. Introduced by **REP. ANGEL A. DEMAPAN** of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao, Donald C. Barcinas, Ivan A. Blanco, Francisco S. Dela Cruz, Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero, Lorenzo I. Deleon Guerrero, Rafael S. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Alice S. Igitol, Jose I. Itibus, Glenn L. Maratita, Janet U. Maratita, Edwin K. Propst, Gregorio M. Sablan Jr., John Paul P. Sablan, and Vinson F. Sablan) on June 27, 2017; subsequently referred to the Committee on Health. Representative Angel A. Demapan request that the resolution be sponsored by the Committee of the whole House; there was no objections made on the floor.

B. *House Joint Resolutions:*

C. House Commemorative Resolutions:

D. House Concurrent Resolutions:

6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

GOV. COMM. 20-36: (6/12/17) Informing the House that he signed into law, H. L. B. NO. 20-1, D3, (To appropriate up to \$463,279,000 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.). Became **Saipan Local Law 20-1** [For info]

GOV. COMM. 20-37: (6/12/17) Informing the House that he signed into law and line item vetoed in parts, H. L. B. NO. 20-3, D2, (To appropriate funds realized under Public Law No. 18-30 for various projects and programs in the Third Senatorial District.). Became **Saipan Local Law 20-2 item vetoed** [Deadline 8/11/17]

GOV. COMM. 20-38: (6/12/17) Certifying and granting approval for Mr. Henry S. Hofschneider, Special Assistant, at the Office of the Mayor to receive an annual salary of \$55,000. [For info]

GOV. COMM. 20-39: (6/15/17) Informing the House that he signed into law, H. B. NO. 20-56, (“Governor Eloy S. Inos Peace Park”). Became **Public Law 20-2** [For info]

*****GOV. COMM. 20-40: (6/21/17 received 6/22/17) Informing the House of his nomination of Mr. James Diego I. Benavente to serve as a member of the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) representing Saipan. [Deadline: 9/20/17] – Jointly referred to the House Committees on Judiciary and Governmental Operations and Committee on Public Utilities and Communications on June 27, 2017. The Committee shall report to the full House on its recommendations. The House has 90 days upon receipt of nomination to act. House received 6/22/17 Deadline for action is September 20, 2017.

7. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

SEN. COMM. 20-24: (6/12/17) Transmitting for House action S. J. R. NO. 20-4, entitled, “To recognize Honorable Froilan Cruz Tenorio for his exceptional accomplishments and distinguished service to the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.” which was adopted by the Senate on June 9, 2017. [For action] – House accepted communication; the Chair request the Floor Leader for the motion to place on Calendar; being no objections the motion was carried. [Calendared 6/27/17]

8. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

HSE. COMM. 20-45: (6/13/17) From Representative Blanco, informing the Speaker that he will be out of the Commonwealth on official business beginning Wednesday, June 14, 2017 and returning Monday, June 19, 2017; and on Friday, June 23, 2017 to Monday, July 3, 2017 he will

be out of the Commonwealth on official business and request to be excused from any meetings or sessions during his absence. [*For info*]

HSE. COMM. 20-46: (6/21/17) From Floor Leader Glenn L. Maratita informing the Speaker that he will be out of the Commonwealth on personal matters beginning Friday, June 23, 2017 and will return on Monday, June 26, 2017 and request to be excused from any and all official functions during his absence. [*For info*]

HSE. COMM. 20-47: (6/22/17) From Representative Blanco, informing the Speaker that he has cancelled his official travel scheduled for Friday, June 23, 2017 to Monday, July 3, 2017. [*For info*]

HSE. COMM. 20-48: (6/22/17) From Minority Leader Representative Villagomez, informing the Speaker that he will be out of the Commonwealth on official matters beginning Friday, June 23, 2017 and returning Monday, July 3, 2017 and requests to be excused from any meetings or sessions during his absence. Furthermore, he designates Representative Attao Acting Minority Leader and given authorization to officially introduce his legislations on his behalf. [*For info*]

9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH - None

10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES - None

11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS - None

12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES – (21)

S. C. R. No. 20-10, S1: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-43, entitled: “To clarify and define the Attorney General’s duties and responsibilities in the promulgation of rules and regulations, in reviewing contracts and in representing the commonwealth government or its executive departments; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 20-43, HD1.* [*Adopted 6/27/17*]

S. C. R. No. 20-11, S1: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-18, entitled: “To amend 6 CMC §2256 (a) (10), the hours of operation for shooting galleries and shooting ranges; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-18 in its current form.* [*Adopted 6/27/17*]

S. C. R. No. 20-22: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-52, entitled: “To require all sales and purchases to be made by credit or debit card as one of the methods for making payments.” *Your Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 20-52, HD1.* [*Adopted 6/27/17*]

S. C. R. No. 20-23: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-74, entitled: “To amend Title 4 Section 5523 of the Commonwealth’s Alcoholic Beverage Control, to provide an exception to licensure

requirements for alcoholic beverages produced for home or personal consumption; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-74 in its current form.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. No. 20-24: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-16, entitled: “To amend 7 CMC 3101(a) to mandate when a jury is impanel to hear all felonies and misdemeanors charges; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-16 in its current form.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. No. 20-25: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-41, entitled: “To establish requirements for vehicle rental businesses; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 20-41, HD1.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. No. 20-26: Reporting on S. B. No. 20-14, entitled: “To amend 6 CMC §2253, to limit the number of shooting gallery and shooting range; amend section 2256(a)(10), shooting gallery and shooting range operation time; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of S. B. No. 20-14, HD1.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. No. 20-27: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-20, entitled: “To amend Title 9, Division 2, Chapter 1 § 2104 to provide veterans a discounted benefit for the vehicle registration fee; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 20-20, HD1.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. No. 20-28: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-42, entitled: “To amend 4 CMC, § 1302 (a), Tax on Agriculture Producers and Fishing to include Artists registered with the Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture.” *Your Committee on Ways and Means recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-42 in its current form.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. No. 20-29: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-75, entitled: “To establish the Drug Court Revolving Fund and to authorize the Commonwealth Superior Court’s Drug Court to impose fees on Drug Court participants; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Ways and Means recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-75 in its current form.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. No. 20-30: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-10, entitled: “To establish the Settlement Fund Revolving Fund Account.” *Your Committee on Ways and Means recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-10 in its current form.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. No. 20-31: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-14, entitled: “To improve the justice system’s response to domestic violence, and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-14 in its current form.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. No. 20-32: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-7, entitled: “To amend 9 CMC §2107 to provide an extended time period before the vehicle registration late fee would apply; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 20-7, HD1.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. NO. 20-33: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-12, entitled: “To reform drug sentencing laws to effectuate the rehabilitation and treatment principles of evidence-based sentencing.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-12 in its current form.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. NO. 20-34: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-57, entitled: “To authorize the Department of Labor to enforce the criminal penalties and provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act Section 274 relating to assisting the illegal entry of certain aliens into the CNMI.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-57 in its current form.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. NO. 20-35: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-53, entitled: “To establish and clearly define the authority of the Department of Public Works to promulgate rules and regulations within the Rights Of Way (ROW); and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-53 in its current form.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. NO. 20-36: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-60, entitled: “To amend 9 CMC §5815 (c) and (d) of the Motor Vehicle Rental Safety and to add new subsections; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 20-60, HD1.* [Recommitted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. NO. 20-37: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-66, entitled: “To amend 1 CMC §8602(b), Law Enforcement Mandatory Drug Testing to eliminate the condition that testing is subject to the availability of funds.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass H. B. No. 20-66 in its current form.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. NO. 20-38: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-2, entitled: “To increase the excise tax on the importation of Areca Nut (Betel Nut) into the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Ways and Means recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 20-2, HD1.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. NO. 20-39: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-68, entitled: “To enact provisions that will fund non-immigrant worker registration and work identification operations for the Department of Labor; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 20-68, HD1.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

S. C. R. NO. 20-40: Reporting on H. B. No. 20-77, entitled: “To establish a separate statute and penalty for individuals committing the act of vandalism; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill in the form of H. B. No. 20-77, HD1.* [Adopted 6/27/17]

13. REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES - None

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

15. RESOLUTION CALENDAR

Resolution	Subject	Action
C. RES. NO. 20-6	A House Commemorative Resolution to recognize the outstanding achievements and services of Captain Guillermo T. Faller to the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.	House adopted 6/27/17
C. RES. NO. 20-7	A House Commemorative Resolution to convey our sincere condolences and sympathy of the House of Representatives of the Twentieth Northern Mariana Commonwealth Legislature to the bereaved family of the late Honorable Juan “Juanbo” Blanco Camacho on the occasion of his untimely passing and paying tribute to his services to the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.	House adopted 6/27/17
S. J. R. No. 20-4 [SEN. COMM. 20-24]	A Senate Joint Resolution to recognize Honorable Froilan Cruz Tenorio for his exceptional accomplishments and distinguished service to the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.	House adopted 6/27/17
H. J. R. No. 20-5	A House Joint Resolution to authorize the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, through its Governor, to submit to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Application No. B-17-ST69-0001; the HOME Investment Partnership Grant Application No. M17-ST69-0203; and, the Emergency Solutions Grant Application No. S17-DC69-0001; to receive the funds requested therein and to assume all responsibilities that may be imposed by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership Program, and the Emergency Solutions Grant Programs.	House adopted 6/27/17

16. BILL CALENDAR

Bill/Initiative	Subject	Action
H. B. NO. 20-15, HD1, SD2	A Bill for an Act to amend 4 CMC §2308 by adding new subsection covering Northern Mariana College, Northern Mariana Trades Institute, payment of land claim settlements, and other money judgments and settlements against the CNMI government, retirees death benefits, the First Senatorial District, the Second Senatorial District, the Third Senatorial District and establishing a special account. <i>See SEN. COMM. 20-23</i>	House rejected Senate amendments and called for conference 6/27/17 [Speaker to appt]
H. B. No. 20-92	A Bill for an Act to amend section 302(f)(9), to authorize reprogramming to fund the Early Head Start and Head Start centers; and for other purposes.	No action taken on 6/27/17
H. B. No. 20-43, HD1 [S. C. R. No. 20-10, S1]	A Bill for an Act To clarify and define the Attorney General’s duties and responsibilities in the promulgation of rules and regulations, in reviewing contracts and in representing the commonwealth government or its executive departments; and for other purposes.	No action taken on 6/27/17
H. B. No. 20-18 [S. C. R. No. 20-11, S1]	A Bill for an Act To amend 6 CMC §2256 (a) (10), the hours of operation for shooting galleries and shooting ranges; and for other purposes.	P-FFR 6/27/17 [17-0]

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H. B. No. 20-74 [S. C. R. No. 20-23]	A Bill for an Act To amend Title 4 Section 5523 of the Commonwealth's Alcoholic Beverage Control, to provide an exception to licensure requirements for alcoholic beverages produced for home or personal consumption; and for other purposes.	P-FFR 6/27/17 [18-0]
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H. B. No. 20-41, HD1 [S. C. R. No. 20-25]	A Bill for an Act To establish requirements for vehicle rental businesses; and for other purposes.	P-FFR 6/27/17 [18-0]
S. B. No. 20-14, HD1 [S. C. R. No. 20-26]	A Bill for an Act To amend 6 CMC §2253, to limit the number of shooting gallery and shooting range; and for other purposes.	Roll Call
H. B. No. 20-20, HD1 [S. C. R. No. 20-27]	A Bill for an Act To amend Title 9, Division 2, Chapter 1 § 2104 to provide veterans a discounted benefit for the vehicle registration fee; and for other purposes.	P-FFR 6/27/17 [18-0]
H. B. No. 20-42 [S. C. R. No. 20-28]	A Bill for an Act To amend 4 CMC, § 1302 (a), Tax on Agriculture Producers and Fishing to include Artists registered with the Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture.	P-FFR 6/27/17 [18-0]
H. B. No. 20-75 [S. C. R. No. 20-29]	A Bill for an Act to establish the Drug Court Revolving Fund and to authorize the Commonwealth Superior Court's Drug Court to impose fees on Drug Court participants; and for other purposes.	P-FFR w/HD1 6/27/17 [18-0]
H. B. No. 20-10 [S. C. R. No. 20-30]	A Bill for an Act To establish the Settlement Fund Revolving Fund Account.	P-FFR 6/27/17 [18-0]
H. B. No. 20-14 [S. C. R. No. 20-31]	A Bill for an Act To improve the justice system's response to domestic violence, and for other purposes.	No action taken on 6/27/17
H. B. No. 20-7, HD1 [S. C. R. No. 20-32]	A Bill for an Act To amend 9 CMC §2107 to provide an extended time period before the vehicle registration late fee would apply; and for other purposes.	No action taken on 6/27/17
H. B. No. 20-12 [S. C. R. No. 20-33]	A Bill for an Act To reform drug sentencing laws to effectuate the rehabilitation and treatment principles of evidence-based sentencing.	No action taken on 6/27/17
H. B. No. 20-57 [S. C. R. No. 20-34]	A Bill for an Act To authorize the Department of Labor to enforce the criminal penalties and provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act Section 274 relating to assisting the illegal entry of certain aliens into the CNMI.	P-FFR 6/27/17 [18-0]
H. B. No. 20-53 [S. C. R. No. 20-35]	A Bill for an Act To establish and clearly define the authority of the Department of Public Works to promulgate rules and regulations within the Rights Of Way (ROW); and for other purposes.	No action taken on 6/27/17
H. B. No. 20-66 [S. C. R. No. 20-37]	A Bill for an Act to amend 1 CMC §8602(b), Law Enforcement Mandatory Drug Testing to eliminate the condition that testing is subject to the availability of funds.	No action taken on 6/27/17
H. B. No. 20-2, HD1 [S. C. R. No. 20-38]	A Bill for an Act to increase the excise tax on the importation of Areca Nut (Betel Nut) into the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and for other purposes.	No action taken on 6/27/17

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H. B. No. 20-68, HD1 [S. C. R. No. 20-39]	A Bill for an Act to enact provisions that will fund non-immigrant worker registration and work identification operations for the Department of Labor; and for other purposes.	No action taken on 6/27/17
H. B. No. 20-77, HD1 [S. C. R. No. 20-40]	A Bill for an Act to establish a separate statute and penalty for individuals committing the act of vandalism; and for other purposes.	No action taken on 6/27/17

17. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

18. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(ADJOURNMENT)

**The House of Representative adjourned its 1st Day, Fifth Special Session at 4:28 p.m.,
subject to the Call of the Chair**

APPEARANCE OF LOCAL BILLS

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

SECOND LEGISLATIVE DAY:

H. L. B. No. 20-21: To increase the poker and pachinko machine license fee. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH P. DELEON GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Ivan A. Blanco, Angel A. Demapan, and Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero) on June 6, 2017

H. L. B. No. 20-22: To name the unnamed coral surfaced roads that turn off from Isa Drive in the As-Mahettog and Capitol Hill area, just north of the Vestcor Village. Introduced by REP. DONALD C. BARCINAS of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*) on June 6, 2017.

H. L. B. No. 20-23: To amend the Saipan Zoning Law of 2013, 10 CMC §3511, by amending the Saipan Official Zoning Map Sheet 19 of 29. Introduced by REP. JOSE I. ITIBUS of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Donald C. Barcinas, Ivan A. Blanco, Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero, Lorenzo I. Deleon Guerrero, Rafael S. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Edwin K. Propst, Gregorio M. Sablan Jr., John Paul P. Sablan, and Edmund S. Villagomez) on June 6, 2017.

THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY:

H. L. B. No. 20-14: To require all property owners that hold blighted properties within the island of Saipan to be held accountable to secure and maintain abandoned, vacant, and blighted properties; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. LORENZO I. DELEON GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 5 (*for himself*, Representatives Francisco S. Dela Cruz, Edwin K. Propst, Gregorio M. Sablan Jr., John Paul P. Sablan, and Vinson F. Sablan) on May 5, 2017.

H. L. B. No. 20-15: To repeal Chapter 4 of the Saipan Municipal Code and to establish the Saipan Bingo Act of 2017; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. ANGEL A. DEMAPAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Ivan A. Blanco, Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero, Rafael S. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Alice S. Igitol, and John Paul P. Sablan) on May 5, 2017.

*Appearance of Measures introduced on the House Floor during the House Session
June 6, 2017:*

H. B. No. 20-82: To clarify the powers of the Commonwealth Casino Commission and to make needed changes to the Commonwealth Code given the unique regulatory oversight of the Casino Industry in the Commonwealth; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH P. DELEON GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representative Joseph Lee pan T. Guerrero) on June 6, 2017; subsequently referred to the Committee on Gaming.

H. B. No. 20-83: To amend 4 CMC §§ 2172-2173, to enable the Marianas Visitors Authority to strengthen qualifications for tour guides and tour operators, and to add a new Section 2174; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. ANGEL A. DEMAPAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Ivan A. Blanco, and Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero) on June 6, 2017; subsequently referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism.

H. B. No. 20-84: To reduce the Commonwealth poker and pachinko machine license fee. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH P. DELEON GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Ivan A. Blanco, Angel A. Demapan, and Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero) on June 6, 2017; subsequently referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. B. No. 20-85: To establish higher mandatory sentences for crimes that occurs within 1,000 feet of tourist sites and recreational areas. Introduced by REP. EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, and Representative Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao) on June 6, 2017; subsequently referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism.

H. B. No. 20-86: To establish the CNMI Product Seal Act of 2017. Introduced by REP. EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, and Representative Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao) on June 6, 2017; subsequently referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism.

[Added – 6/6/17] H. B. No. 20-87: To alleviate the Courts from expending significant resources and financial burden with debt collection cases, and to allow indigent persons an honest opportunity to recover and have a fresh start. Introduced by REP. ANGEL A. DEMAPAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Edwin P. Aldan and Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero) on June 6, 2017; referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations on June 9, 2017.

[Added – 6/6/17] H. B. No. 20-88: To repeal and re-enact “The Education Act of 1988” as amended and as codified as 3 CMC § 1101 through § 1193; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. EDWIN P. ALDAN of Tinian, Precinct 6 (*for himself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, Ivan A. Blanco, Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero, Lorenzo I. Deleon Guerrero, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Edwin K. Propst, and John Paul P. Sablan) on June 6, 2017; referred to the Committee on Education on June 9, 2017.

H. L. B. No. 20-19: To appropriate the amount of Thirty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$36,000.00 USD) from local license fees collected for poker and pachinko slot machines in the First Senatorial District; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. GLENN L. MARATITA of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for himself*) on June 6, 2017.

H. L. B. No. 20-20: To appropriate up to Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) from the Third Senatorial District Developers Infrastructure Tax Fund under Business Unit 3730; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. ANGEL A. DEMAPAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representative John Paul P. Sablan) on June 6, 2017.

H. L. B. No. 20-21: To increase the poker and pachinko machine license fee. Introduced by REP. JOSEPH P. DELEON GUERRERO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representatives Ivan A. Blanco, Angel A. Demapan, and Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero) on June 6, 2017.

H. L. B. No. 20-22: To name the unnamed coral surfaced roads that turn off from Isa Drive in the As-Mahettog and Capitol Hill area, just north of the Vestcor Village. Introduced by REP. DONALD C. BARCINAS of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*) on June 6, 2017.

[Added – 6/6/17] H. L. B. No. 20-23: To amend the Saipan Zoning Law of 2013, 10 CMC §3511, by amending the Saipan Official Zoning Map Sheet 19 of 29. Introduced by REP. JOSE I. ITIBUS of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Donald C. Barcinas, Ivan A. Blanco, Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero, Lorenzo I. Deleon Guerrero, Rafael S. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Edwin K. Propst, Gregorio M. Sablan Jr., John Paul P. Sablan, and Edmund S. Villagomez) on June 6, 2017.

[Added – 6/6/17] H. L. B. No. 20-24: To re-appropriate a portion of the funds from a completed project in Precinct V under Business Unit No. 3753F (of Saipan Local Law No. 19-18) for the infrastructure and lighting system upgrade of the Basketball court in Kagman II; and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. FRANCISCO C. AGUON of Saipan, Precinct 5 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Donald C. Barcinas, Ivan A. Blanco, Angel A. Demapan, and John Paul P. Sablan)

H. RES. No. 20-8: To respectfully request the Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to request the United States Secretary of the Interior to transfer the administration of the American Memorial Park to the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and for other purposes. Introduced by REP. DONALD C. BARCINAS of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*) on June 6, 2017; subsequently referred to the Committee on Federal and Foreign Affairs.

[Added – 6/6/17] H. J. R. No. 20-5: To authorize the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, through its Governor, to submit to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Application No. B-17-ST69-0001; the HOME Investment Partnership Grant Application No. M17-ST69-0203; and, the Emergency Solutions Grant Application No. S17-DC69-0001; to receive the funds requested therein and to assume all responsibilities that may be imposed by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership Program, and the Emergency Solutions Grant Programs. Introduced by REP. JOHN PAUL P. SABLÁN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*, Representatives Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, and Ivan A. Blanco) on June 6, 2017; referred to the Committee on Ways and Means on June 9, 2017.

C. RES. No. 20-7: To convey our sincere condolences and sympathy of the House of Representatives of the Twentieth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature to the bereaved family of the late Honorable Juan “Juanbo” Blanco Camacho on the occasion of his untimely passing and paying tribute to his services to the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Introduced by REP. IVAN A. BLANCO of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Francisco C. Aguon, Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Donald C. Barcinas, Lorenzo I. Deleon Guerrero, Angel A. Demapan, Rafael S. Demapan, Joseph Leepan T. Guerrero, Jose I. Itibus, Edwin K. Propst, Gregorio M. Sablan Jr., John Paul P. Sablan, Vinson F. Sablan, and Edmund S. Villagomez) on June 6, 2017.

House information on deadlines for override: