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

Meeting: House of Representatives First Day, Third Special Session
Date and Time: Thursday, June 18, 2026, at 10:00 AM
Location: House Chamber, Vice Speaker Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill

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TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
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MEMORANDUM

DATE : 11 June 2026
TO : ALL HOUSE MEMBERS
FROM : Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez 
SUBJECT : Call for Session, 1st Day, 3rd Special Session

Pursuant to the Open Government Act and Rule III, Section 7 of the House of Representatives Rules of Procedure, I hereby call for the **1st Day, 3rd Special Session for Thursday, 18 June 2026 at 10:00 a.m.** in the House Chamber.

cc: Senate President
House Clerk
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
SPECIAL SESSION 2026

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
1ST DAY, THIRD SPECIAL	THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2026	10:00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A Moment of Silence

1. ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. ADOPTION OF JOURNALS – (1)

- *4th Day, Third Regular Session Journal-March 18, 2026*

4. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

A. *House Bills:*

B. *House Local Bills:*

H. L. B. No. 24-59

To re-appropriate Eight Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars and Fifty-Four Cents (\$8,483.54) allotted under Saipan Local Law 19-27 Section 2(B)(5)(ii); Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 19-23 Section 2(e); Seventeen Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars (\$17,995.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 24-14 Section 2(a); Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 22-10 Section 2(B)(20)(B)(i); Twenty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars and Forty-Seven Cents (\$27,166.47) allotted under Saipan Local Law 18-17 Section 2(d); and Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) allotted under Saipan Local Law 23-10 Section 2(a); and for other purposes.

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

C. *House Legislative Initiatives:*

5. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

A. *House Resolutions:*

B. *House Joint Resolutions:*

C. House Commemorative Resolutions:

D. House Concurrent Resolutions:

6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

GOV. COMM. 24-147: (5/14/2026) Informing the House that he signed into law H. L. B. No. 24-53, S1, (*To appropriate \$220,000.00 from revenues collected for the Third Senatorial District pursuant to Saipan Local Law 22-06; and for other purposes.*). Became **Saipan Local Law No. 24-28**. [*For Info*]

GOV. COMM. 24-148: **Executive Order No. 2026-005** — *Declaration of Price Freeze* (issued April 11, 2026); effective until rescinded or until the declaration of emergency or disaster is terminated.

GOV. COMM. 24-149: (5/26/2026) Certifying and granting approval for Ms. Frederika Maria T. Diaz, Assistant Attorney General, at the Office of the Attorney General to receive an annual salary of \$70,000. [*For Info*]

GOV. COMM. 24-150: (5/29/2026) From Governor Apatang requesting the Legislature's collaboration to enact a limited, targeted amendment to certain administrative provisions of Public Law 24-20 (the Revised Fiscal Year 2026 Appropriations Act) to afford the Executive Branch the fiscal flexibility necessary to manage cash flow in the aftermath of Super Typhoon Sinlaku. [*For Info*]

GOV. COMM. 24-151: (6/2/2026) Certifying and granting approval for Mr. Nicholas Thomas Zazzi, Assistant Attorney General, at the Office of the Attorney General to receive an annual salary of \$72,500. [*For Info*]

GOV. COMM. 24-152: (6/8/2026) Certifying and granting approval for Mr. Manolo B. Reyes (Highway Engineer III, Department of Public Works, Highway Section) to receive annual compensation exceeding the \$65,175 cap set by 1 CMC § 8248(a), to accommodate overtime for federally funded Super Typhoon Sinlaku recovery efforts. [*For Info*]

GOV. COMM. 24-153: (6/8/2026) Certifying and granting approval for Mr. Sesinando Jerry E. Tolentino (Highway Engineer II, Department of Public Works, Highway Section) to receive annual compensation exceeding the \$65,175 cap set by 1 CMC § 8248(a), to accommodate overtime for federally funded Super Typhoon Sinlaku recovery efforts. [*For Info*]

GOV. COMM. 24-154: (6/11/2026) **Executive Order No. 2026-009** (issued June 11, 2026) — Renewing the Declaration of State of Significant Emergency for the Commonwealth pursuant to NMI Const. art. III, § 10 and 1 CMC § 20144, continuing emergency response and restoration efforts following Super Typhoon Sinlaku for an additional thirty (30) days.

7. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

SEN. COMM. 24-98: (4/7/2026) Returning H. B. No. 24-30, entitled, "To appropriate funds from Accounts 1501B and 1501S to support the operational and personnel needs of the CNMI Cannabis Commission and to direct the Secretary of Finance to establish and maintain a separate sub-account within the Cannabis Tax Account for the purpose of segregating and reserving PSS's designated share.", which was passed by the Senate with amendments on December 1, 2025, in the form of **H. B. No. 24-30, SD1** to read: "*To appropriate funds from Accounts 1501B and 1501S to support the operational and personnel needs of the CNMI Cannabis Commission and to direct the Secretary of Finance to establish and maintain a separate sub-account within the Cannabis Tax*

Account for the purpose of segregating and reserving PSS's designated share, and for other purposes." [**For action on Senate amendments**] Note: Read on May 22, 2026; the Chair ordered that the communication remain on the agenda.

SEN. COMM. 24-103: (5/29/2026) Informing the House of the Senate's Conferees to the Conference Committee on H. B. NO. 24-89, HS1, SD1, entitled, "*To appropriate \$300,000.00 of the dividends collected by the Commonwealth Economic Development Authority (CEDA) from the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) to fund Super Typhoon Sinlaku disaster relief operations and personnel in the Second Senatorial District.*". [Chair: Sen. Jude U. Hofschneider; Member(s): Sen(s). Donald M. Manglona, and Francisco Q. Cruz; Alternate Member: Sen. Corina L. Magofna]. [For info]

SEN. COMM. 24-104: (5/29/2026) Informing the House of the Senate's Conferees to the Conference Committee on H. B. NO. 24-91, HS1, SD1, entitled, "*To appropriate \$300,000.00 of the dividends collected by the Commonwealth Economic Development Authority (CEDA) from the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) to fund Super Typhoon Sinlaku disaster relief operations and personnel in the First Senatorial District; and for other purposes.*". [Chair: Sen. Jude U. Hofschneider; Member(s): Sen(s). Donald M. Manglona, and Francisco Q. Cruz; Alternate Member: Sen. Corina L. Magofna]. [For info]

SEN. COMM. 24-105: (5/29/2026) Informing the House of the Senate's Conferees to the Conference Committee on H. B. NO. 24-96, SD1, entitled, "*To appropriate \$960,235.74 in Tobacco Settlement Funds, identified by the Governor as additional funds available for appropriation in Governor's Communication (House) 24-103.*". [Chair: Sen. Jude U. Hofschneider; Member(s): Sen(s). Donald M. Manglona, and Francisco Q. Cruz; Alternate Member: Sen. Corina L. Magofna]. [For info]

8. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

HSE. COMM. 24-92: (5/22/2026) From Representative Roy C.A. Ada informing the Speaker that he will be on personal leave on 5/22/2026, and requesting to be excused from scheduled meetings or sessions during this period. [For info]

9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH – (None)

10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 24-32: (3/27/2026) From the Department of Public Works (DPW) submitting CNMI 4-year Territorial Transportation Improvement Plan (TTIP) for the period of FY 2027 to 2030. [For Info]

11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

MISC. COMM. 24-107: (6/3/2026) From the Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA), Acting Managing Director Judy C. Torres, providing updates on tourism conditions and reaffirming support for the appropriation of \$960,235.74 in Tobacco Settlement Funds to MVA under H.B. No. 24-96. [For Info]

12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES – (None)

13. REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES – (3)

C. C. R. No. 24-3: Reporting on H. B. No. 24-89, HS1, SD1, entitled, "*To appropriate \$300,000.00 of the dividends collected by the Commonwealth Economic Development Authority (CEDA) from the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) to fund Super*

*Typhoon Sinlaku disaster relief operations and personnel in the Second Senatorial District.”. Your Conference Committee recommends passage of the bill in the form of **H. B. No. 24-89, HS1, SD1, CCS1.***

C. C. R. No. 24-4: Reporting on H. B. No. 24-91, HS1, SD1, entitled, “*To appropriate \$300,000.00 of the dividends collected by the Commonwealth Economic Development Authority (CEDA) from the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) to fund Super Typhoon Sinlaku disaster relief operations and personnel in the First Senatorial District; and for other purposes.*”. Your Conference Committee recommends passage of the bill in the form of **H. B. No. 24-91, HS1, SD1, CCS1.**

C. C. R. No. 24-5: Reporting on H. B. No. 24-96, SD1, entitled, “*To appropriate \$960,235.74 in Tobacco Settlement Funds, identified by the Governor as additional funds available for appropriation in Governor's Communication (House) 24-103.*”. Your Conference Committee recommends passage of the bill in the form of **H. B. No. 24-96, SD1, CCS1**, entitled, “*To appropriate \$960,235.74 in Tobacco Settlement Funds, identified by the Governor as additional funds available for appropriation in Governor's Communication (House) 24-103, to the Marianas Visitors Authority for tourism stabilization initiatives.*”.

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – (None)

15. RESOLUTION CALENDAR

Resolution	Subject	Action

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:

H. L. B. No. 24-54: To amend 10 CMC § 12143 to lower the local gambling taxes, including online gaming. Rep. Julie M. A. Ogo of Rota, Precinct 7 (for herself). Introduced on May 22, 2026.

THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY:

Appearance of Measures introduced on the House Floor during the House Session on May 22, 2026:

H. B. NO. 24-105: To enact the Business Integrity and Regulation of Tourism Harms Act (“BIRTH Act”); and for other purposes. REP. MARISSA R. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for herself*). Introduced on May 22, 2026. Referred to: House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations and to the House Committee on Federal and Foreign Affairs on May 22, 2026.

H. B. NO. 24-106: To require legislative representation and oversight in Section 902 consultations by including the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, or their designees, as Special Representatives of the Commonwealth; and for other purposes. REP. MARISSA R. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for herself*). Introduced on May 22, 2026. Referred to: House Committee on Federal and Foreign Affairs on May 22, 2026.

H. L. B. NO. 24-54: To amend 10 CMC § 12143 to lower the local gambling taxes, including online gaming. REP. JULIE M. A. OGO of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for herself*). Introduced on May 22, 2026.

[ADDED-5/22/2026] H. L. B. NO. 24-58: To appropriate Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) for the purposes of regulatory and compliance training within the Rota Casino Gaming Commission. REP. JULIE M. A. OGO of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for herself*). Introduced on May 22, 2026.

H. RES. NO. 24-27: To honor and commend the employees and crews of the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation and the Guam Power Authority for their courage, technical expertise, and dedicated service in restoring power to the Commonwealth following Super Typhoon Sinlaku and other natural disasters. REP. VINCENT R. ALDAN of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*). Introduced on May 22, 2026. Placed on the Resolution Calendar: May 22, 2026. Action: Adopted-5/22/2026 vv

H. J. R. NO. 24-12: To require legislative representation and oversight in Section 902 consultations by including the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, or their designees, as Special Representatives of the Commonwealth; and for other purposes. REP. MARISSA R. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for herself*), Representatives Roy C.A. Ada, Vincent R. Aldan, Daniel I. Aquino Jr., Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Angelo A. Camacho, Diego V. F. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Joseph A. Flores, Thomas J. DIC. Manglona, Julie M. A. Ogo, Malcolm J. Omar, Raymond U. Palacios, Elias J.M. Rangamar, John Paul P. Sablan, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul) Introduced on May 22, 2026. Placed on the Resolution Calendar: May 22, 2026. Action: Adopted-5/22/2026 rc [15-0]

H. J. R. NO. 24-13: To affirm the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands’ commitment to eliminate the commercial facilitation of birth tourism as evidenced by the enactment of the Business Integrity and Regulation of Tourism Harms Act (“BIRTH Act”); to present updated data demonstrating the effectiveness of existing federal and local measures; and to request continued federal coordination consistent with those efforts. REP. MARISSA R. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for herself*), Representatives Vincent R. Aldan, Daniel I. Aquino Jr., Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Diego V. F. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Joseph A. Flores, Thomas J. DIC. Manglona, Julie M. A. Ogo, Malcolm J. Omar, Raymond U. Palacios, Elias J.M. Rangamar, John Paul P. Sablan, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul) Introduced on May 22, 2026. Placed on the Resolution Calendar: May 22, 2026. Action: Adopted-5/22/2026 rc [15-0]

H. J. R. NO. 24-14: To affirm Commonwealth rights in submerged lands, territorial seas, and the exclusive economic zone adjacent to the Commonwealth. REP. MARISSA R. FLORES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for herself*), Representatives Vincent R. Aldan, Daniel I. Aquino Jr., Blas Jonathan “BJ” T. Attao, Roman C. Benavente, Diego V. F. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Joseph A. Flores, Thomas J. DIC. Manglona, Julie M. A. Ogo, Malcolm J. Omar, Raymond U. Palacios, Elias J.M. Rangamar, John Paul P. Sablan, Edmund S. Villagomez, Denita Kaipat Yangetmai, and Ralph N. Yumul) Introduced on May 22, 2026. Placed on the Resolution Calendar: May 22, 2026. Action: Adopted-5/22/2026 rc [15-0]

LEGISLATIVE DEADLINE TRACKER (Informational)

Veto Override / Reconsideration Deadlines

Gov. Comm. 24-146: (5/20/2026) Informing the House that he vetoed H. B. No. 24-49, entitled, To establish the CNMI Next/Gen 911 Telephone Communications System within the CNMI; and for other purposes. [Deadline: 7/19/2026] Read on May 22, 2026 and referred to the House Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations.

Executive Appointments Requiring Legislative Confirmation

None pending.

Judicial Rule Review Period

None pending.