
SESSION, 1999

A HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

To approve six (6) additional FTE's in order to allow the Board of Elections to efficiently and effectively meet its legislatively mandated functions.

1 WHEREAS, at present, the Commonwealth Government is operating under the
2 budget for Fiscal Year 1999; and

3 WHEREAS, the Board of Elections is in need of three (3) additional FTE's to
4 efficiently meet the mandated functions of the Office; and

5 WHEREAS, on November 6, 1999 or the first Saturday of November, a general
6 election will be held for the three Senatorial Districts of the CNMI; and

7 WHEREAS, the Board of Elections would not be able to meet the election
8 demands prior to, during and after the general election without additional manpower; and

9 WHEREAS, the people of the Commonwealth deserve an efficient general
10 election process free of electoral questions and misdeeds; and

11 WHEREAS, pursuant to Article X, Section 7 of the Commonwealth Constitution,
12 the Legislature may, by joint resolution, approve FTE's in excess of the ceiling establish
13 by the annual appropriation acts; now, therefore

14 BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives, Eleventh Northern
15 Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, the Senate concurring, that the Legislature hereby
16 approves six (6) additional FTE's for the Board of Elections; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this joint resolution shall continue in effect
18 until the end of the current fiscal year; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Office of the Governor shall reprogram
20 the necessary funds needed to meet the funding requirement for the six (6) additional
21 FTE's; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Speaker of the House of Representatives
23 and the President of the Senate shall certify and the House Clerk and the Senate
24 Legislative Secretary shall attest to the adoption of this joint resolution and thereafter
25 transmit certified copies to Mr. Miguel Sablan, Chairman, Board of Elections; Mr.

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- 1 Gregorio C. Sablan, Executive Director, Board of Elections; and, Mrs. Virginia C.
- 2 Villagomez, Special Assistant for the Office of Management and Budget.

Date: _____ Introduced By: _____
Rep. Heinz S. Hofschneider

Rep. Jesus T. Attao