

TWENTY-FIRST NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH
LEGISLATURE
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SESSION, 2019

H. L. B. 21-14

A LOCAL BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT

To amend 10 CMC § 1122 (b) of the Rota Dog Control Act;
and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE FIRST SENATORIAL DISTRICT DELEGATION
PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1, TITLE 1 OF THE
COMMONWEALTH CODE:

1 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

2 The First Senatorial District Delegation finds that Rota Local Law 18-7
3 reassigned the duties and responsibilities as provided under the Rota Dog Control
4 Act from the local office of the Department of Natural Resources to the Rota
5 Municipal Council. The Council was not provided with a proper funding source to
6 administer the law; therefore, the purpose of this Act is to increase the licensing fee
7 per dog per year to help cover the administrative cost of running the Rota Dog
8 Control Act.

9 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.**

10 10 CMC § 1122 (b) is hereby amended to read as follows:

1 “§1122. Licensing.

2 (b) The registration or license shall be issued to the owner upon the payment
3 of a \$5 ~~\$25~~ licensing fee per dog per year. The license shall expire annually at
4 midnight on the last day of the month, one year from the date the dog was first
5 registered, as designated by the Rota Municipal Council.”

6 **SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.**

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

12 **SECTION 4. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

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15 repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes.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

20 **SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

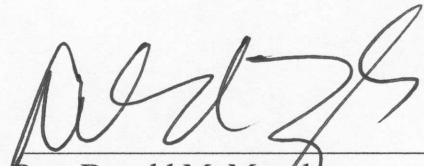
21 This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or its becoming

1 law without such approval.

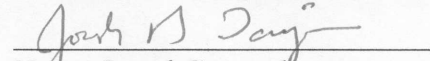
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Introduced by:


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