

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

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SESSION, 2021

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A LOCAL BILL FOR AN ACT  
FOR THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT

To prohibit the hunting of Sambar Deer on Tinian until the year 2026; and for  
other purposes.

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

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

2           The Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation finds that the  
3    Conservation of the Sambar deer (*Binado*) on Tinian is important to the current  
4    and future generations of Tinian residents. The Delegation further finds that the  
5    Local Law Act of 1983, 1 CMC sect.1402, et. seq., defines local bill as one that  
6    pertains exclusively to matters within one senatorial district and specifically lists  
7    the conservation of deer, so long as it is more restrictive than the Commonwealth-  
8    wide laws or regulations. Therefore, it is the purpose of this local bill to prohibit  
9    the hunting of deer on the islands of Tinian for a period of two (2) years and to  
10   charge the Resident Department Head of the Department of Lands and Natural

1 Resources, Tinian with the implementation and enforcement of such prohibition.

2 **SECTION 2. PROHIBITION.**

3 All persons are prohibited from hunting Sambar Deer within the Second  
4 Senatorial District.

5 **SECTION 3. ENFORCEMENT.**

6 The Resident Director of the Tinian Department of Lands and Natural  
7 Resources, in consultation with the Chief of Fish and Wildlife, is hereby charged  
8 with enforcement of this Local Act.

9 **SECTION 4. PENALTIES.**

10 Any person in violation of this Act shall be subject to penalties under 2  
11 CMC §5109. All penalties or fees collected shall be deposited into the Second  
12 Senatorial District Fish and Game Conservation Revolving Fund.

13 **SECTION 5. SUNSET CLAUSE.**

14 The provisions of this Act shall expire two (2) years after the effective  
15 date of this Act. Seasonal hunting of Sambar Deer in the Second Senatorial  
16 District and shall be allowed after the two (2) year prohibition.

17 **SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY.**

18 If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision to any  
19 person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent  
20 jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act or the application of its provisions to  
21 persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be

1 affected thereby.

2 **SECTION 7. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

3 This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as  
4 affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes  
5 repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes.  
6 Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding instituted under or  
7 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  
9 already be in existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

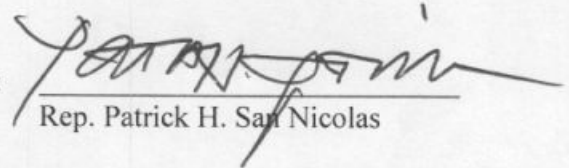
10 **SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

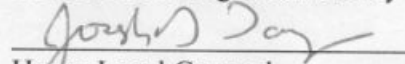
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