

**TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH
LEGISLATURE
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

SESSION, 2024

H. L. B. 23- 53

**A LOCAL BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

To amend 10 CMC §2581(c)(3) to increase the internet gambling revenue tax; 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, being the duly elected
3 body authorized through N.M.I. Const. Art. II, § 6 and the Local Law Act of 1983,
4 specifically I CMC § 1401 et seq., to enact laws that relate exclusively to local
5 matters such as, gambling prohibition and regulation, within the Second Senatorial
6 District find that in the interest of increasing the revenue generated by the Tinian
7 gaming industry, it is lawful and necessary to amend 10 CMC § 2581 (c)(3) to
8 increase the internet gambling revenue tax.

9 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.**

1 10 CMC § 2581(c)(3) is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 “(3) An internet gambling revenue tax of ~~five~~ten percent of gross internet
3 gambling revenue as provided by 1 CMC § 1402(c)(4) shall be paid each
4 month by the licensee granted an internet gaming operator license.”

5 **SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.**

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

11 **SECTION 4. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

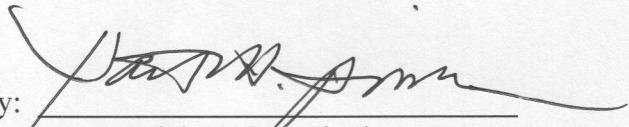
12 This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as
13 affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes
14 repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers
15 contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding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

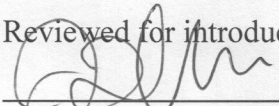
19 **SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

Prefiled: 5/8/2024

Date: 4/8/23

Introduced by: 
Rep. Patrick H. San Nicolas

Reviewed for introduction purposes only by:
 5/8/24
House Legal Counsel