

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

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**A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

To appropriate \$75,000.00 from revenues collected for the Third
Senatorial District pursuant to Saipan Local Law 22-06; and for
other purposes.

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

1 SECTION 1. PURPOSE.

2 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate local funds from the revenues
3 collected for the Third Senatorial District pursuant to Saipan Local Law 22-06.

4 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.

5 Notwithstanding any provision(s) of law, statutes, rules or regulations to the
6 contrary and pursuant to funds allocated to the Third Senatorial District the Saipan
7 and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation (SNILD) hereby appropriates
8 \$75,000.00 of the revenues collected for the Third Senatorial District pursuant to
9 Saipan Local Law 22-06 as follows:

1 (A) \$75,000.00 for the CNMI Legislative Bureau for costs, expenses, and
2 reimbursements, directly relating to the hosting of three events, to wit: 1) the 2025
3 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures 65th Board of Directors Meeting on
4 Saipan; 2) the 2025 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures 42nd General
5 Assembly Meeting on Saipan; and 3) the Third General Assembly of the Mariana
6 Island Legislature Association Meeting on Saipan. The expenditure authority
7 under 2(A) shall be the Legislative Bureau Director or his/her designee.

8 **SECTION 3. REPROGRAMMING.**

9 Funds appropriated under this Act shall not be reprogrammed for any other
10 purpose and notwithstanding any provision of law, all funds appropriated under this
11 Act shall be without fiscal year limitation. Provided further, to ensure continuity in
12 administrative and operational planning, any unobligated balance remaining after
13 the conclusion of events listed in Section 2(A) may be used by the Legislative
14 Bureau for purposes consistent with its mandate.

15 **SECTION 4. REPORTING OF EXPENDITURES.**

16 Expenditures of the funds allocated under Section 2 of this Act shall be
17 responsible to report all expenses to Chairperson of the Saipan and Northern Islands
18 Legislative Delegation. Provided further that failure to provide all expenses,
19 entities that were afforded funds under this Act shall not be able to avail to any
20 future funds appropriated by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative
21 Delegation.

1 **SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.**

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

7 **SECTION 6. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

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

15 **SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

16 This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or it becoming
17 law without such approval.

Prefiled: 7/11/2025

Date: _____

Introduced by: _____

Blas Jonathan "BJ" T. Attao

Reviewed for Legal Sufficiency by:

/s/ Joseph L.G. Taijeron, Jr.

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