

TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH

LEGISLATURE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SESSION, 2025

H. L. B. 24- 2

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

To appropriate Eighty Four Thousand Dollars (\$84,000.00) from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District; 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. PURPOSE.

2 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate Eighty Four Thousand Dollars
3 (\$84,000.00 USD) from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second
4 Senatorial District. The certification of funds was prepared on March 5, 2025 by
5 the Resident Department Head of the Department of Finance, Tinian. This
6 appropriation of local funds is not part of the FY2025 Budget Act. Therefore, this
7 local appropriation of local funds does not contravene 1CMC §7401 and 1 CMC
8 §7404(d) or any other provision of the CNMI Budget Act.

9 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS.

1 Notwithstanding any provision(s) of law, statutes, rules or regulations to the
2 contrary and pursuant to funds allocated to the Second Senatorial District from
3 poker fees, the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation hereby appropriates
4 Eighty Four Thousand Dollars (\$84,000.00) of the revenues collected for the
5 Second Senatorial District from the poker fees as follows:

6 (A) \$84,000.00 to the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan for personnel and
7 public programs.

8 **SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.**

9 The expenditure authority for funds under Section 2(A) shall be the Mayor
10 of Tinian and Aguiguan.

11 **SECTION 4. REPROGRAMMING.**

12 Funds appropriated under this act shall not be reprogrammed for any other
13 purpose and notwithstanding any provision of law, all funds appropriated under this
14 Act shall be without fiscal year limitation(s).

15 **SECTION 5. REPORTING OF EXPENDITURES.**

16 The recipient of the funds allocated under Section 2 of this Act shall be
17 responsible to report all expenses responsible to report all expenses to the Secretary
18 of the Department of Finance by the end of the 2025 calendar year. Provided further
19 that failure to provide all expenses, entities that were afforded funds under this Act
20 shall not be able to avail to any future funds appropriated by the Tinian & Aguiguan

1 Legislative Delegation.

2 **SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY.**

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

8 **SECTION 7. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

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

16 **SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

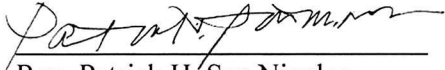
17 This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or upon it
18 becoming law without such approval.

Prefiled: 3/7/2025

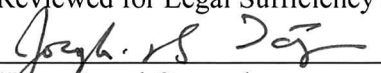
HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 24- **2**

Date: 3/7/2025

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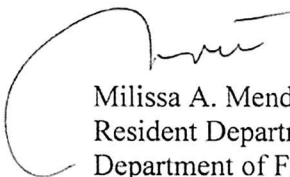
Hon. Edwin P. Aldan
Mayor
Municipality of Tinian & Aguiguan
Tinian, MP 96952

RE: Collection of Poker Fees on Tinian

Buenas Mayor Aldan,

I am writing to inform you that on February 25, 2025, Huang Shun Corporation made payment to the Department of Finance on Tinian in the amount of \$36,000 for the renewal of three poker machine licenses. On February 28, 2025, Yong Chang Corporation renewed the poker machine license for 11 machines and made a payment of \$132,000. All payments were made at the Tinian Department of Finance and funds have been deposited into the CNMI Treasury account. In accordance with Tinian Local Law 23-10, the annual local license fee for Tinian would be \$84,000.

Should you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at ma.mendiola@dof.gov.mp or (670) 433-1600/04.



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