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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWELFTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 2000

NINTH DAY

August 22, 2000

The House of Representatives of the Twelfth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature convened in its Ninth Day, Second Regular Session, on Tuesday, August 22, 2000, at 2:40 p.m., in the House Chamber, Capitol Hill, Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The Honorable Benigno R. Fitial, Speaker of the House presided.

A moment of silence was observed.

In accordance with Rule XIII, §2(a), fifteen members were present. Representatives Martin B. Ada, Antonio M. Camacho and Dino M. Jones were excused.

A quorum was duly constituted for the Ninth Day of the Second Regular Session.

ADOPTION OF JOURNALS

None

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

H. B. NO. 12-154: A Bill for an Act to control the usage of fire protection equipment and fire hydrants and for other purposes.

Offered by: Rep. Rosiky F. Camacho and three others

Referred to: Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations

H. B. NO. 12-155: A Bill for an Act to amend 2 CMC § 5201(a), to require all parties to a permit to visit Aguiguan register with he Division of Fish and Wildlife prior to and immediately after all landings on Aguiguan; and for other purposes.

Offered by: Rep. Norman S. Palacios

Referred to: Committee on Ways and Means

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

None

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

- S. C. R. NO. 12-150: Reporting on Senate Bill No. 12-34, entitled, "To prohibit acts of domestic and family violence and to establish remedies, penalties, and courses of treatment available to perpetrators and victims of domestic and family violence; and for other purposes." *Your Committee on Health and Welfare recommends that the House pass the bill.*
- S. C. R. NO. 12-151: Reporting on House Bill No. 12-196, entitled, "To mandate the Commonwealth Office of Personnel Management to conduct a review of all governor appointed positions which are subject to advise and consent of the Senate, and to make recommendations for minimum qualification for appointees, and for other purposes." *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill.*
- S. C. R. NO. 12-152: Reporting on Senate Bill No. 12-65, entitled, "A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE ON MEDICAL AND HEALTH INSURANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass the bill.
- S. C. R.NO. 12-153: Reporting on House Concurrent Resolution No. 12-2, entitled, "A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REVENUES AND RESOURCES FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, AS IDENTIFIED BY THE GOVERNOR IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE III, SECTION 9(a) OF THE CONSTITUTION, AS AMENDED, AND 1 CMC DIVISION 7, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001 BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2000 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2001." Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House adopt the resolution.

The House by the unanimous members present adopted Standing Committee Report Nos. 12-150, 12-151, 12-152 and 12-153 and was carried by voice vote.

RESOLUTION CALENDAR

H. C. R. NO. 12-2: A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REVENUES AND RESOURCES FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, AS IDENTIFIED BY THE GOVERNOR IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE III, SECTION 9(a) OF THE CONSTITUTION, AS AMENDED, AND 1 CMC DIVISION 7, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001 BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2000 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2001.

The Clerk called the roll on the motion to adopt House Concurrent Resolution No. 12-2 as follows:

Rep. Martin B. Ada	excused
Rep. David M. Apatang	yes
Rep. Jesus T. Attao	yes
Rep. Oscar M. Babauta	yes
Rep. Diego T. Benavente	yes
Rep. Antonio M. Camacho	excused
Rep. Rosiky F. Camacho	yes
Rep. Florencio T. Deleon Guerrero	yes
Rep. Heinz S. Hofschneider	yes
Rep. Brigida DLG. Ichihara	yes
Rep. Dino M. Jones	excused
Rep. Alejo M. Mendiola, Jr.	yes
Rep. Norman S. Palacios	yes
Rep. Thomas B. Pangelinan	yes
Rep. Maria "Malua" T. Peter	yes
Rep. Stanley T. Torres	yes
Rep. William S. Torres	yes
Speaker Benigno R. Fitial	yes

With the vote of 15-0, the House by the unanimous members present adopted House Concurrent Resolution No. 12-34.

BILL CALENDAR

S. B. NO. 12-34: A BILL FOR AN ACT TO PROHIBIT ACTS OF DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE AND TO ESTABLISH REMEDIES, PENALTIES, AND COURSES OF TREATMENT AVAILABLE TO PERPETRATORS AND VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Clerk called the roll on the motion to pass Senate Bill No. 12-34 on First and Final Reading as follows:

Rep. Martin B. Ada	excused
Rep. David M. Apatang	yes
Rep. Jesus T. Attao	yes

Rep. Oscar M. Babauta	yes
Rep. Diego T. Benavente	yes
Rep. Antonio M. Camacho	excused
Rep. Rosiky F. Camacho	yes
Rep. Florencio T. Deleon Guerrero	yes
Rep. Heinz S. Hofschneider	yes
Rep. Brigida DLG. Ichihara	yes
Rep. Dino M. Jones	excused
Rep. Alejo M. Mendiola, Jr.	yes
Rep. Norman S. Palacios	yes
Rep. Thomas B. Pangelinan	yes
Rep. Maria "Malua" T. Peter	yes
Rep. Stanley T. Torres	yes
Rep. William S. Torres	yes
Speaker Benigno R. Fitial	yes

With the vote of 15-0, the House by the unanimous members present passed on First and Final Reading Senate Bill No. 12-34.

H. B. NO. 12-52: A BILL FOR AN ACT TO AMEND AUDITING ACT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Clerk called the roll on the motion to pass House Bill No. 12-52 on First and Final Reading as follows:

Rep. Martin B. Ada	excused
Rep. David M. Apatang	yes
Rep. Jesus T. Attao	yes
Rep. Oscar M. Babauta	yes
Rep. Diego T. Benavente	yes
Rep. Antonio M. Camacho	excused
Rep. Rosiky F. Camacho	yes
Rep. Florencio T. Deleon Guerrero	yes
Rep. Heinz S. Hofschneider	yes
Rep. Brigida DLG. Ichihara	yes
Rep. Dino M. Jones	excused
Rep. Alejo M. Mendiola, Jr.	yes
Rep. Norman S. Palacios	yes
Rep. Thomas B. Pangelinan	yes
Rep. Maria "Malua" T. Peter	yes
Rep. Stanley T. Torres	yes
Rep. William S. Torres	yes
Speaker Benigno R. Fitial	yes

With the vote of 15-0, the House by the unanimous members present passed on First and Final Reading House Bill No. 12-52.

H. B. NO. 12-196: A BILL FOR AN ACT TO MANDATE THE COMMONWEALTH OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT TO CONDUCT A REVIEW OF ALL GOVERNOR APPOINTED POSITIONS WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO ADVISE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE, AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MINIMUM QUALIFICATION FOR APPOINTEES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Clerk called the roll on the motion to pass House Bill No. 12-196 on First and Final Reading as follows:

Rep. Martin B. Ada	excused
Rep. David M. Apatang	no
Rep. Jesus T. Attao	no
Rep. Oscar M. Babauta	yes
Rep. Diego T. Benavente	no
Rep. Antonio M. Camacho	excused
Rep. Rosiky F. Camacho	yes
Rep. Florencio T. Deleon Guerrero	yes
Rep. Heinz S. Hofschneider	no
Rep. Brigida DLG. Ichihara	yes
Rep. Dino M. Jones	excused
Rep. Alejo M. Mendiola, Jr.	absent during voting
Rep. Norman S. Palacios	yes
Rep. Thomas B. Pangelinan	no
Rep. Maria "Malua" T. Peter	yes
Rep. Stanley T. Torres	no
Rep. William S. Torres	yes
Speaker Benigno R. Fitial	yes

With the vote of 8-6, the House by the unanimous members present passed on First and Final Reading House Bill No. 12-194.

S. B. NO. 12-65: A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE ON MEDICAL AND HEALTH INSURANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Clerk called the roll on the motion to pass Senate Bill No. 12-65 on First and Final Reading as follows:

Rep. Martin B. Ada

excused

Rep. David M. Apatang	yes
Rep. Jesus T. Attao	yes
Rep. Oscar M. Babauta	yes
Rep. Diego T. Benavente	yes
Rep. Antonio M. Camacho	excused
Rep. Rosiky F. Camacho	yes
Rep. Florencio T. Deleon Guerrero	yes
Rep. Heinz S. Hofschneider	yes
Rep. Brigida DLG. Ichihara	yes
Rep. Dino M. Jones	excused
Rep. Alejo M. Mendiola, Jr.	yes
Rep. Norman S. Palacios	yes
Rep. Thomas B. Pangelinan	yes
Rep. Maria "Malua" T. Peter	yes
Rep. Stanley T. Torres	yes
Rep. William S. Torres	yes
Speaker Benigno R. Fitial	yes

With the vote of 15-0, the House by the unanimous members present passed on First and Final Reading Senate Bill No. 12-65.

The House recessed at 4:05 p.m.

The House stands recessed until August 23, 2000, at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan P. Kaipat, Journal Clerk House of Representatives