



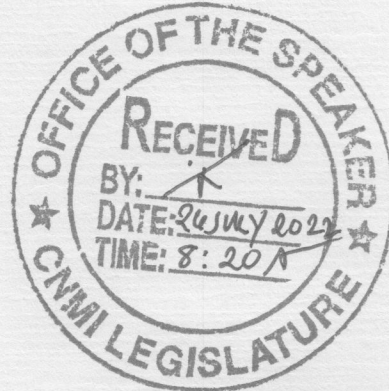
RALPH DLG. TORRES
Governor

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

25 JUL 2022

The Honorable Vinnie F. Sablan
Chairman
Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation
Twenty-Second Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

The Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker
House of Representatives
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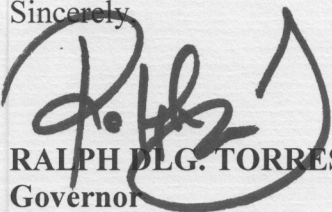
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law **House Local Bill No. 22-28**, S1, D1 entitled, "To amend Saipan Local Law 22-6, Section 101(a) to restructure the local license fee imposed on all poker amusement machines located within e-gaming facilities or hotels and electronic gaming devices as defined in Title 6 section 3154 (a)(4) and 6 CMC § 3156(b), located within the Third Senatorial District." which was passed by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Second Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

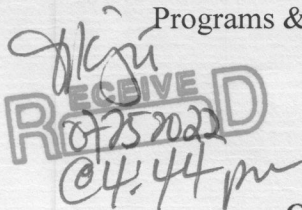
This bill becomes **Saipan Local Law No. 22-13**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

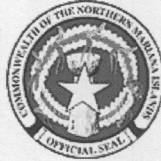
Sincerely,


RALPH DLG. TORRES
Governor

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cc: Acting Press Secretary; Attorney General's office; CNMI Law Revision; Secretary of Finance; Public Auditor; Special Assistant for Administration; Special Assistant for Programs & Legislative Review


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SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 2022**

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 22-28, S1, D1

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

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Offered by Representative(s):

Ralph N. Yumul

Prefiled on January 16, 2021 and Introduced on December 20, 2021

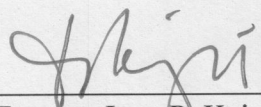
HOUSE ACTION

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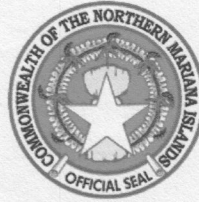
February 23, 2022

DELEGATION ACTION

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| Referred To | : 03/25/2022 - SNILD Gaming Committee |
| Comments Solicited | : 02/23/2022 – DM 22-89 Mayor Apatang DM 22-90 Mayor Santos DM 22-91 Chairperson, 16 th SNIMC |
| Comments Received | : 03/09/2022 – Mayors Comm. 22-34 03/14/2022 – Mayors Comm. 22-36 |
| Standing Committee Report | : 22-21 (Adopted 06/29/22) |
| Passed First & Final Reading | : June 29, 2022 (w/ S1, D1) |



Frances Joan P. Kaipat
Delegation Clerk



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

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

2 The purpose of this Act is to amend Saipan Local Law 22-6. The Delegation finds
3 that by structuring the license fee as a flat fee, the collection of more revenue without
4 overburdening the e-gaming business is possible.

5 The Delegation further finds that the amendment to Saipan Local Law 22-6 should
6 be retroactive in its application to August 02, 2021, the date when Saipan Local Law 22-6
7 became effective, so that there will be a uniform application of the amounts due under
8 Saipan Local Law 22-6 both before and after its amendment.

9 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.**

1 Section 101(a) of Saipan Local Law 22-6 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 **“101. Local License fee(s) for gaming devices.**

3 (a) Local license fee(s) for electronic gaming devices. There is hereby
4 imposed, pursuant to 1 CMC § 1402(c)(4), an annual local license fee
5 on all poker amusement machines located within e-gaming facilities or
6 hotels, electronic gaming machines, or electronic table games as defined
7 in 6 CMC § 3154 (a)(4), and also on such machines and games situated
8 in a hotel pursuant to 6 CMC § 3156(b), within the Third Senatorial
9 District, equal to \$2,000.00 per machine.”

10 **SECTION 3. ASSESSMENT.**

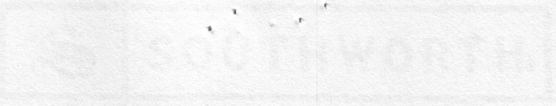
11 Upon enactment, retroactive payment shall be assessed for license fees that would
12 have accrued from the date of enactment of SLL 22-6 to the date of enactment of this bill
13 at the rate provided for in this legislation.

14 **SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.**

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

19 **SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

20 This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any
21 existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule,



1 regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not
2 affect any proceeding instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of the Act
3 shall not have the effect of terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or
4 criminal, which shall already be in existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

5 **SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

CERTIFIED BY:

VINNIE F. SABLAN
Chairman
Saipan & Northern Islands Legislative Delegation

EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ
Speaker
House of Representatives

Approved on this 25th day of July, 2022.

RALPH DLG. TORRES
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands