

David M. Apatang  
Governor



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Lieutenant Governor

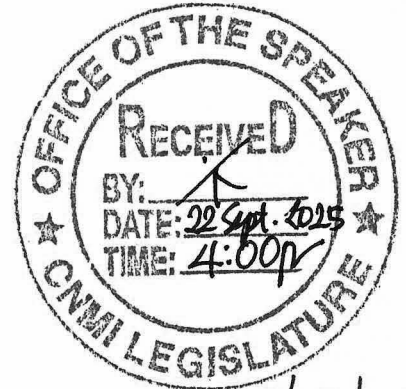
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS  
**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

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The Honorable John Paul P. Sablan  
Chairman  
Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation  
Twenty-Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature  
Saipan, MP 96950

The Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez  
Speaker  
House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature  
Saipan, MP 96950



9/23/25

Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law **House Local Bill No. 24-26, S1**, entitled "To appropriate \$380,000.00 from revenues collected pursuant to Saipan Local Law 22-06; and for other purposes,," which was passed by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This Bill becomes **Saipan Local Law No. 24-011**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

DAVID M. APATANG  
Governor

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cc: Lieutenant Governor; Attorney General; Commonwealth Law Revision Commission;  
Public Auditor; Special Assistant for Administration; Secretary of Finance;  
CNMI Scholarship; CAO; IAO; Programs and Legislative Review

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**SAIPAN AND NORTHERN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION  
THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 2025**

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**HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 24-26, S1**

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

To appropriate \$380,000.00 from revenues collected pursuant to Saipan Local Law 22-06; and for other purposes.

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**OFFERED BY**

Representatives Ralph N. Yumul, Angelo A. Camacho, Joel C. Camacho, Marissa R. Flores,  
and John Paul P. Sablan

**Introduced on August 29, 2025**

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**HOUSE ACTION**

Transmitted to the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation for action on  
**August 29, 2025**


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**DELEGATION ACTION**

<b>Referred to:</b>	None
<b>Comments Solicited:</b>	9/2/25 Mayor of Saipan [Del. Matters 24-46] Mayor of Northern Islands [Del. Matters 24-47] 18 <sup>th</sup> SNIMC [Del. Matters 24-48]
<b>Comments Received:</b>	9/9/25 Mayor of Saipan [Mayors Comm. 24-13] 9/9/25 Mayor of Northern Island [Mayors Comm. 24-14] 9/11/25 18 <sup>th</sup> SNIMC [Misc. Comm. 24-85]
<b>Standing Committee Report:</b>	None
<b>Passed First &amp; Final Reading:</b>	September 12, 2025, with Substitute 1

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**Frances Joan P. Kaipat**  
Delegation Clerk



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**H. L. B. NO. 24-26, S1**

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To appropriate \$380,000.00 from revenues collected 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:**

**SECTION 1. PURPOSE.**

The purpose of this Act is to appropriate local funds from the revenues collected pursuant to Saipan Local Law 22-06.

**SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.**

Notwithstanding any provision(s) of law, statutes, rules, or regulations to the contrary, and pursuant to funds allocated to the Third Senatorial District, the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation (SNILD) hereby appropriates \$380,000 of the revenues collected pursuant to Saipan Local Law 22-06, as amended, as follows:

- (A) \$200,000.00 to Karidat for its personnel/operations to cover the grant obligations from CJPA that is currently on hold due to the delay of CNMI's single audit; expenditure authority shall

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1 be the Executive Director of Karidat or his/her designee. Provided, however, that should the  
2 grant funding for Karidat under CJPB be available, Karidat shall first reimburse the  
3 \$200,000.00 to the account of the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation;

4 (B) \$60,000.00 for the Navy Hill Basketball rehabilitation, expenditure authority shall be the  
5 Chairperson of the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation or his/her designee;

6 (C) \$50,000.00 for the CNMI Scholarship and Financial Assistance Office, expenditure authority  
7 shall be the Chairperson of the Board or his/her designee;

8 (D) \$30,000.00 for the operations of the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation,  
9 expenditure authority shall be the Chairperson of the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative  
10 Delegation;

11 (E) \$20,000.00 for the Carolinian Affairs Office for Cultural Heritage Month and related  
12 operational expenses, expenditure authority shall be the Chairperson of the Carolinian  
13 Advisory Council or his/her designee; and

14 (F) \$20,000.00 for the Indigenous Affairs Office for Cultural Heritage Month and related  
15 operational expenses, expenditure authority shall be the Resident Executive of the Indigenous  
16 Affairs Office or his/her designee.

17 **SECTION 3. REPROGRAMMING.**

18 Funds appropriated under this act shall not be reprogrammed for any other purpose.  
19 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all funds appropriated under this Act shall be without  
20 fiscal year limitation.

21 **SECTION 4. REPORTING OF EXPENDITURES.**

22 Those responsible for the expenditure of funds allocated under section 2 of this act shall  
23 report all expenses to the Secretary of the Department of Finance by the end of the 2026 calendar

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1 year. Furthermore, should they fail to provide a full accounting of expenses, entities (government,  
2 non-profit entities, etc., excluding specific projects) that received funds under this act shall be  
3 ineligible for any future funds appropriated by the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative  
4 Delegation.

5 **SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.**

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

10 **SECTION 6. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

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

17 **SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

CERTIFIED BY:



**John Paul P. Sablan**  
**Chairman**

**Saipan & Northern Islands Legislative Delegation**



**Edmund S. Villagomez**  
**Speaker**  
**24<sup>th</sup> House of Representatives**

Approved this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2025.



**David M. Apatang**  
**Governor**  
**Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands**



# Office of the Secretary

## Department of Finance



Funding Source:  
Project Name:  
Expenditure Authority

1 CMC § 1402 (c)(4)  
SLL 22-13 E-GAMING (fmr. SLL 22-06)  
Chairperson Saipan Northern Islands Legislative  
Delegation  
Rep. John Paul Sablan

JDE BU: N/A  
Project Ledger: 7169F  
General Ledger: 7169F  
Certification Level: 3  
Prepared on: 6/20/2025

Requestor:

JDE	PROJECT LEDGER	GENERAL LEDGER	TOTAL
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### Reference FC163

Ending Balance FY2023 \$ 652,000.00

### FY 2024

E-Gaming License Fee  
Transfers Out

		\$ 320,000.00	\$ 320,000.00
			\$ -

Actuals SLL 23-13

Actuals SLL 23-19

Actuals

		\$ 600,000.00	\$ (600,000.00)
		\$ 273,000.00	\$ (273,000.00)
			\$ -

### Reference FC369

Ending Balance FY2024 \$ 99,000.00

### FY 2025

E-Gaming License Fee  
Transfers Out

		\$ 358,000.00	\$ 358,000.00
			\$ -

\*Pending HLB 24-18

Actuals

Actuals

		\$ 75,000.00	\$ (75,000.00)
			\$ -
			\$ -

Ending Balance FY2025 \$ 382,000.00

**Certified Balance as of 07/29/25 \$ 382,000.00**

**NOTES:** Former SLL 22-06 then amended with new fee structure from SLL 22-13.

\*As of 07/29/25, HLB 24-18 is pending with the Governor for his signature into Saipan local law.

### SUMMARY OF E-GAMING APPROPRIATIONS (FY 2021-2025)

FY 2023

FY 2024

SLL 23-13 \$ 600,000

SLL 23-19 \$ 273,000

FY 2025

\*HLB 24-18 \$ 75,000