

Arnold I. Palacios  
Governor



GOV. COMM. 24-37  
(HOUSE)

David M. Apatang  
Lieutenant Governor

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

21 JUL 2025

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The Honorable Jude U. Hofschneider  
Chairman  
Tinian and Aguiguan 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




7/22/25


Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law **House Local Bill No. 24-10, D1**, entitled "To appropriate revenues collected for the Second Senatorial District pursuant to Public Law 20-59.", which was passed by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.


This Bill becomes **Tinian Local Law No. 24-05**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,

  
**ARNOLD I. PALACIOS**  
Governor

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cc: Lieutenant Governor; Attorney General; Commonwealth Law Revision Commission;  
Public Auditor; Secretary of Finance; Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan;  
Tinian Municipal Treasurer; Acting Special Assistant for Administration;  
Office of Programs and Legislative Review

  
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**TINIAN AND AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION  
SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE  
THIRD SPECIAL SESSION, 2025**

**HOUSE LOCAL BILL No. 24-10, D1**

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

To appropriate revenues collected for the Second Senatorial District pursuant to Public Law 20-59.

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**OFFERED BY**

**Representative Patrick H. San Nicolas**

Introduced on May 15, 2025

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**HOUSE ACTION**

Transmitted to Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action on


May 19, 2025

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**DELEGATION ACTION**

<b>Referred to:</b>	None
<b>Comments Solicited:</b>	5/19/25: Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan [Del. Matters 24-23] & 20 <sup>th</sup> Tinian Municipal Council [Del. Matters 24-24]
<b>Comments Received:</b>	5/23/25: Mayors Comm. 24-05
<b>Special Committee Report:</b>	None
<b>Passed First &amp; Final Reading:</b>	July 2, 2025 w/Draft 1

  
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**Baybie SN. Hocog**  
Acting Delegation Clerk



**TINIAN AND AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION  
SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE**

**SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 2025**

**H. L. B. 24-10, D1**

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

To appropriate revenues collected for the Second Senatorial District pursuant to Public Law 20-59.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE SECOND 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 for the Second Senatorial District pursuant to Public Law 20-59. Pursuant to TALD Misc. Comm. 24-06, the Secretary of the Department of Finance certified that there is \$70,370.00 USD available for appropriation.

**SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS.**

Notwithstanding any provision(s) of law, statutes, rules or regulations to the contrary and pursuant to funds allocated to the Second Senatorial District the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation hereby appropriates \$70,370.00 of the revenues collected for the Second Senatorial District pursuant to Public Law 20-59 as follows:



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(A) \$61,000.00 to the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan for its personnel/operations, professional services, and public programs;

(B) \$9,370.00 to the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan's Discretionary Fund account; the expenditure authority for Section 2(A) and (B) shall be the Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan or his/her designee.

**SECTION 3. REPROGRAMMING.**

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

**SECTION 4. REPORTING OF EXPENDITURES.**

Expenditure authorities of the funds allocated under Section 2 of this Act shall be responsible to report all expenses to the Secretary of the Department of Finance and the Chairperson of the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation by the end of the 2025 calendar year. Provided further that failure to provide all expenses, entities (Government, non-profit entities, etc... excluding specific projects) that were afforded funds under this Act shall not be able to avail to any future funds appropriated by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation.

**SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.**

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

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1   **SECTION 6. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

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

8   **SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

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CERTIFIED BY:



Jude U. Hofschneider  
Chairman

Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation



Edmund S. Villagomez  
Speaker

24<sup>th</sup> House of Representatives

Approved this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2025.



Arnold I. Palacios  
Governor

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Funding Source:  
Project Name:  
Expenditure Authority

4 CMC § 1503 (a)(2) & (a)(5)  
PL 20-59 Tinian  
Secretary of Finance

Requestor:

Legislature (Senator Jude Hofschneider)

JDE BU: 1969  
Project Ledger: N/A  
General Ledger: N/A  
Certification Level: 1  
Prepared on: 4/3/2025

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## FOR DOF USE ONLY

YTD Budget Report as of 03/31/25 \$ -

JDE De-Obligation of Encumbrances Debit Credit

No Adjustments Needed

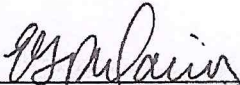
General Journal Debit Credit

No Adjustments Needed

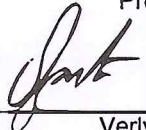
Budget Transfers and Amendments Decrease Increase

Increase GL balance 53620900.69000.1969F \$ 70,370.00

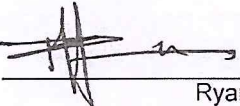
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 04/08/25  
Eleuterio G. Palacios Jr.  
Senior Financial Analyst

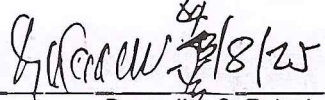
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Accountant II

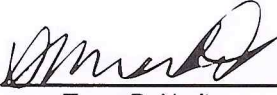
Reviewed By:

 4/8/25  
Ryan C. Camacho  
Senior Financial Analyst

Concurred By:

 4/8/25  
Bernadita C. Palacios  
Director of Financial Services

Certified By:

 4/9/25  
Tracy B. Norita  
Secretary of Finance





# Office of the Secretary Tinian Local Law No. 24-05

## Department of Finance



Funding Source:  
Project Name:  
Expenditure Authority

4 CMC § 1503 (a)(2) & (a)(5)  
PL 20-59 Tinian  
Secretary of Finance  
  
Legislature (Senator Jude Hofschneider)

JDE BU: 1969F  
Project Ledger: N/A  
General Ledger: N/A  
Certification Level: 1  
Prepared on: 4/3/2025

4 CMC § 1503 (a)(2) & (a)(5) \$ 1,238,925.00

### FY 2021 (Inception)

FY 2021

Amusement Machine Fees  
Transfers Out

\$	1,238,925.00			\$	1,238,925.00
				\$	-

TLL 20-14

\$	368,555.00			\$	(368,555.00)
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TLL 21-11\*

\$	70,000.00			\$	(70,000.00)
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TLL 21-11\*

\$	800,000.00			\$	(800,000.00)
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FY20 CORR PV TLL 21-11

\$	(70,000.00)			\$	70,000.00
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Ending Balance FY2021 \$ 70,370.00

FY 2022

NO ACTIVITY

FY 2022

Ending Balance FY2022 \$ 70,370.00

FY 2023

NO ACTIVITY

FY 2023

Ending Balance FY2023 \$ 70,370.00

FY 2024

NO ACTIVITY

FY 2024

Ending Balance FY2024 \$ 70,370.00

FY 2025

NO ACTIVITY

FY 2025

Ending Balance FY2024 \$ 70,370.00

**Certified Balance as of 03/31/25 \$ 70,370.00**

\*NOTES: In JDE, TLL 21-10 was an incorrectly referenced. It is actually TLL 21-11 and the amount of the appropriation is \$800K.  
Earmark Suspended FY 2021 thru FY 2025 Budget Act. Reservation for TALD is \$1,700,000.00.