



Office of the Senate President
Twenty-First Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature

MEMORANDUM

Date: May 21, 2019

To: All Members of the Senate

From: President of the Senate

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Subject: Call for Fourth Special Session – 2019

By the powers vested in me pursuant to the Constitution and the Official Rules of the Senate, this is to inform all members that the 1st Day, Fourth Special Session, 2019 is scheduled for Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., in the Senate Chamber, Saipan.

Your understanding and attendance is greatly appreciated.

Cc: Speaker of the House
Director, LB
Senate Legal Counsels
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May 22, 2019

Pursuant to the Open Government Act (1 CMC §9901 et seq.), the Senate of the Twenty-First Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature will convene the following open and public meeting:

MEETING: 1st Day, Fourth Special Session - 2019
DATE AND TIME: Thursday, May 23, 2019 @ 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Senate Chamber, Saipan

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Pursuant to 1 CMC §9904, written comments on agenda items may be submitted to the Office of the Senate President, Hon. Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capital Hill, Saipan, prior to the convening of the public hearing. Oral testimony may be presented during the public session. If you wish to present oral testimony please inform the Senate Clerk not later than 24 hours prior to the session.



MAY 21, 2019

THE SENATE
TWENTY-FIRST NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION - 2019

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
1 ST Day	Thursday, May 23, 2019 SENATE CHAMBER, SAIPAN	10:00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

- A. ROLL CALL
- B. PUBLIC COMMENT:
- C. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL: (NONE)
- D. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:
1. **Gov. Msg. No. 21-58:** April 05, 2019 – Nomination of Ms. Viola Alcupyo to serve on the Marianas Visitors Authority Board of Directors.
- E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIARY: (NONE)
- F. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS : (NONE)
- G. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE HOUSE: (NONE)
- H. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SENATE:
1. **Sen. Comm. No. 21-27:** April 26, 2019 – Official referral to EAGI the appointment of Ms. Viola Alcupyo to serve on the Board of Directors of MVA.
- I. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE WASHINGTON DELEGATE: (NONE)

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (NONE)**K. PRE-FILED BILLS, INITIATIVES, LOCAL BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

1. **S.J.R. No. 21-01** – Congratulating His Imperial Majesty, Japan’s Reigning Emperor, Naruhito, on the occasion of his ascension to the Chrysanthemum Throne on May 1, 2019. [SEN. PAUL A. MANGLONA – 05/2/19]
2. **S.B. No. 21-31** – To amend 1 CMC § 8245(i) to clarify that the employer of a government employee who is certified to run for a public office shall enforce the requirement to take a personal leave of absence until the election is over; and for other purpose. [SEN. JUSTO S. QUITUGUA – 05/6/19]
3. **S.R. No. 21-02** - To recognize Mr. Tyrell J. Pauling for his untiring contributions to the sustainability of the CNMI’s hospitality industry by serving as the key innovator of the Northern Marianas Trades Institute’s culinary program, which has shaped countless local residents into culinarians prepared for employment in our community’s growing culinary industry. [SEN. JUSTO S. QUITUGUA – 05/8/19]
4. **S.R. No. 21-03** - To recognize Mr. Nick Nishikawa for his significant contributions to the sustainability of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands’ hospitality industry by serving as a catalyst and leader in the Northern Marianas Trades Institute’s hospitality programs, which has motivated local residents to enter careers directly related to the tourism industry. [SEN. JUSTO S. QUITUGUA – 05/8/19]
5. **Senate Legislative Initiative No. 21-01** – To require the Marianas Public Land Trust (MPLT) and its Board of Trustees to exercise transparency and accountability as a Commonwealth government entity, to provide for reasonable expenses of administration by law, and to require the annual operating budget of MPLT to be approved and appropriated by the legislature by amending Article XI, Section 6 of the Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands. [SEN. JUSTO S. QUITUGUA – 05/13/19]
6. **S.B. No. 21-32** – To amend 1 CMC § 2892(l) to exempt the Northern Marianas Technical Institute, as established by PL 20-92, from the oversight of the Office of Grants Management Office; and for other purposes. [SEN. JUSTO S. QUITUGUA – 05/15/19]
7. **Senate Legislative Initiative No. 21-02** – To amend Article XI, Section 5(g) of the Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands to clarify that the Department of Public Lands (DPL) shall receive all moneys from transferred public lands leased by agencies to third parties for profit; to provide for reasonable expenses by law; to require the Legislature to approve and appropriate DPL’s annual budget; and to prohibit the reprogramming of DPL’s revenues. [SEN. JUSTO S. QUITUGUA – 05/16/19]
8. **Senate Commemorative Res. No. 21-02** - To commemorate the distinguished and honorable life of the late Herman Muna Manglona and to recognize his outstanding accomplishments and exemplary public service to the people of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. [SEN. VICTOR B. HOCOG AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – 05/16/19]
9. **S.L.B. No. 21-03** – To amend the definition of hotel in the Revised Tinian Casino Gaming Control Act of 1989; and for other purposes. [SEN. JUDE U. HOFSCHEIDER – 05/21/19]

L. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS, INITIATIVES, LOCAL BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS:

M. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. **Standing Committee Report No. 21-10 :** From the Committee on Executive Appointments and Government Investigations reporting on the re-appointment of Mr. Roman M. Tudela, Jr. to serve as Resident Executive for the Indigenous Affairs Office.
2. **Standing Committee Report No. 21-11 :** From the Committee on Executive Appointments and Government Investigations reporting on the appointment of Mr. Ramon A. Tebuteb to serve as a member of the CPA Board of Directors.
3. **Standing Committee Report No. 21-12:** From the Committee on Executive Appointments and Government Investigations reporting on the appointment of Ms. Ellsbeth Viola Alepuyo to serve as a member of the MVA Board of Directors.
4. **Standing Committee Report No. 21-13 :** From the Committee on Executive Appointments and Government Investigations reporting on the re-appointment of Dr. Tiffany Willis to serve as a member of the Health Care Professions Licensing Board.

N. REPORTS OF SPECIAL/CONFERENCE COMMITTEE: (NONE)

O. RESOLUTION CALENDAR:

1. **S.J.R. No. 21-01**
2. **S.R. No. 21-02**
3. **S.R. No. 21-03**
4. **Sen.Comm. Res. No. 21-02**

P. BILL CALENDAR:

FINAL READING

LEG. NO.	TITLE

Q. PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS: (NONE)

R. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

S. ADJOURNMENT.

APPEARANCE OF SENATE LOCAL BILLS

LEG. NO.	TITLE
SLB 21-03	To amend the definition of hotel in the Revised Tinian Casino Gaming Control Act of 1989; and for other purposes 1 st Appearance

The Senate may consider, debate, and/or act upon any item contained in this Order of Business at the time and place described herein.