

TWENTY-FIRST NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 2019

S. L. B. NO. 21-01

A LOCAL BILL FOR AN ACT

To establish a honor scholarship for the valedictorian, salutatorian, and third honor of the Dr. Rita H. Inos Junior/Senior High School.

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

1 **Section 1. Short Title.** This Act may be cited as the “Dr. Rita H. Inos Honor
2 Scholarship Act of 2019”.

3 **Section 2. Findings and Purpose.** The Rota Legislative Delegation finds that
4 each year the valedictorian, salutatorian, and third honor of the Dr. Rita H. Inos
5 Junior/Senior High School garner the top three highest grade point averages and scores
6 among their peers. This is quite an achievement and honor for the recipients of the
7 valedictorian, salutatorian, and third honor awards. The Delegation further finds that in
8 order to promote and support education among all students, the valedictorian,
9 salutatorian, and third honor should be awarded a honor scholarship from the
10 municipality of Rota.

11 Accordingly, the purpose of this legislation is to establish a honor scholarship
12 award for the valedictorian, salutatorian, and third honor of the Dr. Rita H. Inos
13 Junior/Senior High School in the amount of \$4,000, \$3,000, and \$2,000; respectively.

14 **Section 3. Amendment.** Title 10, Division 1, Chapter 11 of the Commonwealth
15 Code is hereby amended by renumbering §§ 11111 and 11112 and adding a new § 11111
16 to read as follows:

17 “§ 11111. **Honor Scholarship of the Dr. Rita H. Inos Junior/Senior High**
18 **School Valedictorian, Salutatorian, and Third Honor.**”

1 (a) In addition to the general municipal scholarship assistance there is hereby
2 established one-time undergraduate college honor scholarship award for the
3 valedictorian, salutatorian, and third honor of the Dr. Rita H. Inos Junior/Senior High
4 School each year who are pursuing an associate or bachelor's degree at an accredited
5 college or university in the Commonwealth, the United States or its territories to pay for
6 costs directly related to the student's educational needs, including but not limited to
7 tuition, textbooks and school supplies, transportation, and housing.

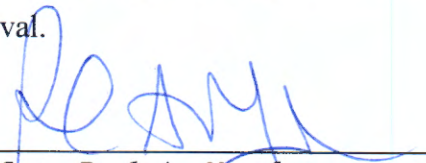
8 (b) Subject to appropriation of funds, the amount allocated for each honor
9 scholarship shall be a one-time scholarship award of \$4,000 for the valedictorian, \$3,000
10 for salutatorian, and \$2,000 for third honor attending a college or university in the
11 Commonwealth, the United States, or its territories.

12 (c) The recipients of the honor scholarship shall comply with the provisions of
13 this chapter.”

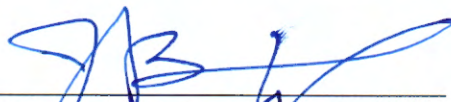
14 **Section 4. Savings Clause.** This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not
15 be construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under
16 statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes.
17 Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding instituted under or
18 pursuant to prior law. The enactment of this Act shall not have the effect of terminating,
19 or in any way modifying, any liability civil or criminal, which shall already be in
20 existence at the date this Act becomes effective.

21 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the
22 Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

Date: 1/29/19

Introduced By: 
Sen. Paul A. Mangiona

Reviewed for Legal Sufficiency by:


Senate Legal Counsel