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NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING

DATE: June 2, 2021

To: All Active Government Employees and Private Citizens of the Commonwealth

SUBJECT: Committee Meeting

The Senate Standing Committee on Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW) will convene on **Thursday, June 10, 2021** at **9:30 a.m.** in the **Senate Chamber** of the **Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill, Saipan** to deliberate on legislation referred to the Committee for action. Meeting agenda is appended for your reference.

Members of the general public are encouraged to submit written testimony before the committee meeting. Written comments sent via email, may be sent to Ms. Jolyn B. Duenas-Tagabuel, Senior Legislative Assistant, at tagabuelj.la@gmail.com. Oral testimonies will be received during the committee meeting.

Your attendance is greatly appreciated.

cc: Senate President HEW Committee Members LB Director Legal Counsel Legislative Assistant



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Pursuant to the Official Rules of the Senate and the Open Government Act, Senator Justo S. Quitugua, Chairperson of the Senate Standing Committee on Health, Education, and Welfare of the Twenty-Second Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature (NMCL) will convene the following open and public meeting:

MEETING:	Committee Meeting
DATE:	Thursday, June 10, 2021
Тіме:	9:30 a.m.
LOCATION:	Senate Chamber of the Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Copies of this notice, the official scheduled committee meeting notice, and the agenda have been filed in the Office of Senator Justo S. Quitugua, released to the media, and posted at the following locations:

Administration Building Entrance Hall House of Representatives Entrance Hall Senate Entrance Hall NMCL Website (<u>www.cnmileg.net</u>) and Facebook Page

Copies of the bills may be downloaded on the NMCL Website at www.cnmileg.net.

Written comments on agenda items may be submitted to the **Office of Senator Justo S. Quitugua**, Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill, Saipan, or sent via email to **Ms. Jolyn B. Duenas-Tagabuel, Senior Legislative Assistant**, at <u>tagabuelj.la@gmail.com</u> prior to the convening of the meeting. Oral testimony may be presented during the committee meeting.

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AGENDA

DATE Thursday, June 10, 2021

TIME 9:30 a.m. LOCATION Senate Chamber

Senate Standing Committee on Health, Education, and Welfare

Senator Justo S. Quitugua, Chairman Senator Vinnie Vinson F. Sablan, Vice Chairman

Senator Francisco Q. Cruz, Member Senator Edith E. DeLeon Guerrero, Member Senator Victor B. Hocog, Member Senator Karl R. King-Nabors, Member

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Adoption of Agenda
- IV. Public Comment

V. Old Business

- 1. Senate Bill No. 22-18, To waive the Northern Marianas College tuition for a veteran with 30 percent or greater service-connected disability; and for other purposes.
 - A. Author: Senator Francisco Q. Cruz
 - B. Referred to Committee: February 5, 2021
 - C. Request for Comments (RFC) Sent and Received: RFC Deadline: 032621
 - 1. Office of the Attorney General, Received 041621
 - 2. NMC Board of Regents and Interim President, Received 041321
 - 3. Veterans Affairs Office
 - D. Committee Action:
 - Committee Report to:
 - Pass in Original Form
 - Pass with Amendments
 - o Reject/File
 - Hold for Further Discussion

VI. New Business

- a. Referred Legislation
 - **1.** Senate Bill No. 22-05, To establish a Behavioral Health Professional Scholarship; and for other purposes.
 - A. Author: Senator Jude U. Hofschneider
 - B. Referred to Committee: January 29, 2021
 - C. Request for Comments (RFC) Sent and Received: RFC Deadline: 030521
 - 1. Office of the Attorney General
 - 2. CNMI Scholarship Office, Received 030321
 - 3. CHCC Board of Trustees and Chief Executive Officer, Received 031621
 - 4. CNMI State BOE and PSS Commissioner of Education, Received 031021

D. Committee Action:

- Committee Report to:
 - □ Pass in Original Form
 - □ Pass with Amendments
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*Note. Author requesting to hold further action.

- 2. Senate Bill No. 22-08, To enact the CNMI Higher Education Act of 2021; and for other purposes.
 - A. Author: Senator Justo S. Quitugua
 - B. Referred to Committee: February 4, 2021
 - C. Request for Comments (RFC) Sent and Received: RFC Deadline: 030521
 - 1. Office of the Attorney General
 - 2. NMC Board of Regents and Interim President
 - 3. EUCON International University, Received 022621; 031021
 - 4. CNMI State BOE- Non-Public School Representative, Received 031021
 - **D.** Committee Action:
 - Committee Report to:
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VII. Adjournment