



THE SENATE
TWENTY-SECOND NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: August 4, 2021
TO: General Public in the CNMI
FROM: Senator Karl R. King-Nabors
Chairperson, Senate Standing Committee on Judiciary, Government, Law, and Federal Relations
SUBJECT: Public Hearing on Senate Legislative Initiatives

The Senate Standing Committee on Judiciary, Government, Law, and Federal Relations (JGLFR) will hold a Public Hearing on the date, time and place shown below:

<u>DATE:</u>	<u>TIME:</u>	<u>PLACE:</u>
Thursday, August 12, 2021	4:30 p.m.	Tinian Court House

The general public is invited to participate and provide written or oral testimonies on the following proposed legislation:

- Senate Legislative Initiative No. 22-08:** To propose a constitutional amendment to Article XI, Section 6 of the NMI Constitution.
- Senate Legislative Initiative No. 22-09:** 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 including rentals, fees penalties, and moneys from court judgments; to provide for reasonable expenses by law; to authorize homestead infrastructure expenses; to require the Legislature to approve and appropriate DPL's annual budget; and to prohibit the reprogramming of DPL's revenues.

Written comments on agenda items may be submitted to the *Office of Senator Karl R. King-Nabors*, Honorable Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill, Saipan, or sent via email to **Ms. Jolyn B. Duenas-Tagabuel, Senior Legislative Assistant**, at tagabuelj.la@gmail.com prior to the public hearing. Oral testimony may be presented during the public hearing.

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August 4, 2021

Pursuant to the Official Rules of the Senate and the Open Government Act, Senator Karl R. King-Nabors, Chairperson of the Judiciary, Government, Law, and Federal Relation of the Twenty-Second Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature (NMCL) will convene the following open and public hearing:

MEETING: **Public Hearing**

DATE: **August 12, 2021**

TIME: **4:30 pm**

LOCATION: **Tinian Court House**

Copies of this notice, the official committee hearing notice, and the agenda have been filed in the Office of Senator R. Karl King-Nabors, released to the media, and posted at the following locations:

House of Representatives Entrance Hall
Senate Entrance Hall
Commonwealth Legislature website (www.cnmileg.gov.mp)

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AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, August 12, 2021	TIME: 4:30 p.m.	LOCATION: Tinian Court House
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- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Adoption of Agenda
- IV. Testimonies on Proposed Legislation
 1. **Senate Legislative Initiative No. 22-08:** To propose a constitutional amendment to Article XI, Section 6 of the NMI Constitution.
 2. **Senate Legislative Initiative No. 22-09:** 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 including rentals, fees, penalties, and moneys from court judgments; to provide for reasonable expenses by law; to authorize homestead infrastructure expenses; to require the Legislature to approve and appropriate DPL's annual budget; and to prohibit the reprogramming of DPL's revenues.
- V. Adjournment