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NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING

DATE : October 8, 2026

TO: General Public

FROM: Senator Jude U. Hofschneider,
Chairman, Senate Standing Committee on Fiscal Affairs

SUBJECT: Fiscal Affairs Committee Meeting

The Senate Standing Committee on Fiscal Affairs will convene a Committee Meeting on ***Wednesday, October 14, 2026 at 10:00 am*** in the ***Senate Chamber*** of the ***Vice Speaker Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building***.

To ensure the Committee properly receives written comments on agenda items, the public may submit their written testimonies to the ***Office of Senator Jude U. Hofschneider, Vice Speaker Jesus P. Mafnas Memorial Building, Capitol Hill, Saipan***, prior to the convening of the Committee Meeting. Oral testimony may be presented during the Committee Meeting.

cc: Senate FA Members
LB- Director
Senate Clerk
Senate Legal Counsels
Senate Legal Assistants
Senate Fiscal Analyst



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Pursuant to the Open Government Act (1 CMC § 9901 et seq.), the Senate Standing Committee on Fiscal Affairs announces that the Committee of the Twenty-Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature will be conducting the following meeting:

MEETING: Fiscal Affairs Committee Meeting
DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, October 14, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Senate Chamber

Copies of this notice and the agenda have been filed in the Office of Senator Jude U. Hofschneider, released to the media, and posted at the following locations:

Administration Building Entrance Hall
House of Representatives Entrance Hall
Senate Entrance Hall
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FISCAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AGENDA

DATE	TIME	VENUE
October 14, 2026	10:00 am	Senate Chamber

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

V. NEW BUSINESS

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. **H.B. No. 24-32**, To establish a tax on transient accommodations and to regulate the operation of short-term rentals in the Commonwealth; and for other purposes.

[Representative Roy A. Ada; Referred on September 8, 2025]

Request for Comments (RFC) Deadline/Date Received

Committee Action:

☐ Public Hearing: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Committee Report to:

☐ Pass in Original Form ☐ Pass with Amendments

☐ Reject ☐ File

☐ Hold for Further Discussion

2. **H.B. No. 24-72, HS1**, entitled, To impose a remittance transfer fee within the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands equivalent to the federal excise tax under 26 U.S.C. § 4475, to ensure equitable revenue capture from outbound remittances, to strengthen compliance with federal fiscal policy and for other purposes.

[Representative Marissa R. Flores; Referred on April 7, 2026]

Request for Comments (RFC) Deadline/Date Received

- Secretary Remedio C. Mafnas- Dept. of Commerce (Received: July 23, 2026)
- Secretary Tracy B. Norita- Dept. of Finance (Received: August 18, 2026)

- Kimm Camacho- Saipan of Commerce (RFC Deadline: July 28, 2026)
- James Mandiola, Jr.- Tinian Chamber of Commerce (RFC Deadline: July 28, 2026)
- Juan T. (Pan) Guerrero- Rota Chamber of Commerce (RFC Deadline: July 28, 2026)

Committee Action:

☐ Public Hearing: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT