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February 10, 2026

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

MEETING: 3rd Day, Third Regular Session - 2026
DATE AND TIME: Friday, February 13, 2026 @ 2:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Tinian Courthouse, San Jose Tinian

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Karl R. King-Nabors
Senate President

Twenty-Fourth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature

MEMORANDUM

Date: February 04, 2026

To: All Members of the Senate

From: President of the Senate

Senator Karl R. King-Nabors

Subject: 3rd Day, Third Regular Session - 2026

By the powers vested in me pursuant to the Interim Rules of the Senate and the Open Government Act, this is to inform all members that the 3rd Day, Third Regular Senate Session is scheduled for **Friday, February 13, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.**, in the Tinian Courthouse, Tinian.

Your understanding and attendance are greatly appreciated.

cc: Speaker of the House
Director, LB
Senate Legal Counsels
Senate Clerk
Senate Sergeant-at-Arms
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FEBRUARY 10, 2026

THE SENATE
TWENTY-FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
THIRD REGULAR SENATE SESSION - 2026

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
3 rd Day	Friday, February 13, 2026	2:00 p.m.
TINIAN COURTHOUSE - SAN JOSE VILLAGE, TINIAN		

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. 24-219:** Feb. 06, 2026 – Nomination of Mr. Joey Patrick San Nicolas, Esq. to serve as an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
 2. **Gov. Msg. No. 24-220:** Feb. 06, 2026 – Nomination of Judge Joseph James Norita Camacho to serve as the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
 3. **Gov. Msg. No. 24-221:** Feb. 06, 2026 – Nomination of the Honorable Roberto Camacho Naraja, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court to serve as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
- E. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIARY: (NONE)
- F. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPT.:
1. **Dept. Msg. No. 24-20:** Dec. 25, 2025 – OMB regarding allotments covering the period from January through September 2026.
 2. **Dept. Msg. No. 24-21:** Jan. 30, 2026 – OMB detailing all reprogramming actions for First Quarter of FY 2026.



G. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE HOUSE:

1. **Hse. Comm. No. 24-123:** Feb. 10, 2026 – Accepted the Senate amendments to *H.B. No. 24-24, HD1, SD1* – To enact 4 CMC §1208 and 4 CMC §1313 to establish a Legal Services and Access to Justice Tax Credit. *[FOR INFO]*
2. **Hse. Comm. No. 24-124:** Feb. 10, 2026 – Transmitting for Senate action *H.B. No. 24-62* – To enact a Uniform Electronic Transactions Act to enable a more robust digital economy in the Commonwealth.

H. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SENATE:

1. **Sen. Comm. No. 24-193:** Feb. 04, 2026 – Senator Paul Manglona off-island notice and delegation of authority from February 05-11, 2026.
2. **Sen. Comm. No. 24-194:** Feb. 05, 2026 – Referrals of legislations to JGL, RED&W, FA and PUTC. *[SB 24-56, 57, HB 24-84 and HJR 24-11]*

I. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CNMI DELEGATE: (NONE)

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Gov. Msg. No. 24-210:** Jan. 21, 2026 – *Vetoed* *S.B. No. 24-04* – To advance indigenous Chamorro and Carolinian language education in the CNMI. *[Deadline: 03/20/26]*

K. PRE-FILED BILLS, INITIATIVES, LOCAL BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS: (NONE)

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

M. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. **Standing Committee Report No. 24-66:** From the Committee on Judiciary, Government, and Law reporting on *S.B. No. 24-24* - To authorize the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands join the CNMI-Guam Interjurisdictional Corrections Compact to improve and expand inmate rehabilitation and training; and for other purposes. *[RECOMMENDS PASSAGE IN ITS CURRENT FORM]*
2. **Standing Committee Report No. 24-67:** From the Committee on Judiciary, Government, and Law reporting on *H.B. No. 24-15* -To establish public sector employee and public sector employer relations through organized labor within the Commonwealth; and for other

purposes. *[RECOMMENDS PASSAGE IN THE FORM OF H.B. NO. 24-15, Senate Substitute 1]*

3. **Standing Committee Report No. 24-68:** From the Committee on Fiscal Affairs reporting on *H.B. No. 24-30* -To appropriate funds from Accounts 1501B and 1501S to support the operational and personnel needs of the CNMI Cannabis Commission and to direct the Secretary of Finance to establish and maintain a separate sub-account within the Cannabis Tax Account for the purpose of segregating and reserving PSS's designated share. *[RECOMMENDS PASSAGE IN THE FORM OF H.B. NO. 24-30, Senate Draft 1]*

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

O. RESOLUTION CALENDAR:

1. **S.R. No. 24-13** – To recognize and commend Honorable Justice Perry Borja Inos for his long-lasting contributions to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and its people.

P. BILL CALENDAR:

FINAL READING

LEG. NO.	<u>TITLE</u>
S.B. No. 24-40 (See SCRep. No. 24-53)	To amend 9 CMC §3114 by requiring the Department of Public Safety's Rules & Regulations regarding Commercial vehicles be consistent with those of the United States Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration; and for other purposes.
S.B. No. 24-47 (See SCRep. No. 24-55)	To require all contractors to be licensed in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; and for other purposes.
S.B. No. 24-24 (See SCRep. No. 24-66)	To authorize the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands join the CNMI-Guam Interjurisdictional Corrections Compact to improve and expand inmate rehabilitation and training; and for other purposes.
H.B. No. 24-35 (See SCRep. No. 24-56)	To amend certain provisions of the CNMI Good Samaritan Act [7 CMC §2801 <i>et seq.</i>]; and for other purposes.

**SENATE
TWENTY-FOURTH**

**ORDER OF BUSINESS
Third Regular Senate Session
February 13, 2026**

H.B. No. 24-11 (See HC 24-07)	To provide greater authority to government transit buses owned and operated by the Commonwealth Office of Transit Authority (COTA); to establish traffic safety measures, enhance public engagement, ensure fiscal responsibility, and comply with existing CNMI laws and federal standards; and for other purposes.
H.B. No. 25-15, SS1 (See SCRep. 24-67)	To establish public sector employee and public sector employer relations through organized labor within the Commonwealth; and for other purposes.
H.B. No. 24-30, SD1 (See SCRep. No. 24-68)	To appropriate funds from Accounts 1501B and 1501S to support the operational and personnel needs of the CNMI Cannabis Commission and to direct the Secretary of Finance to establish and maintain a separate sub-account within the Cannabis Tax Account for the purpose of segregating and reserving PSS's designated share, and for other purposes.
H.B. No. 24-33 (See SCRep. No. 24-58)	To statutorily define the scope of the Commonwealth's annual General Revenues within the meaning of Article XV, Section 1(e) of the NMI Constitution.
H.B. No. 24-63 (See SCRep. No. 24-59)	To amend Title 4 sections 1991 to 1995 relating to the 3% construction tax on gross revenues derived from certain non-residential construction projects and to enact a new section 1996 pertaining to Applicability; and for other purposes.

Q. PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS;

- Misc. Comm. No. 24-78:** Feb. 02, 2026 – Mayor of Saipan regarding SHEFA Board of Directors appointments.
- Misc. Comm. No. 24-79:** Jan. 06, 2026 – Office of the Attorney General re: Proposed lease agreement with Eland for Former Marianas Resort Property.
- Misc. Comm. No. 24-80:** Jan. 31, 2026 – Opioid Proceeds Council (OPC) 2025 Annual Report.

R. ANNOUNCEMENTS; and

S. ADJOURNMENT.

APPEARANCE OF SENATE LOCAL BILLS

LEG. NO.	<u>TITLE</u>
S.L.B. No. 24-04	<p>To define and authorize the use of abandoned investigative deposits held by the Tinian Casino Gaming Control Commission (TCGCC); to establish procedures for notice, claims, and final disposition of such deposits; to authorize the appropriation of abandoned deposits to pay outstanding regulatory fees, assessments, penalties, and taxes owed to the Commission; and for other purposes.</p> <p><i>2nd Appearance</i></p>

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