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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

March 31, 2023

TO:

Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez

JGO Committee Members

FROM:

Representative Marissa R. Flores

JGO Chairwoman

SUBJECT:

JGO Committee Meeting

This is to inform all Members of the House Standing Committee on Judiciary & Governmental Operations (JGO) that there will be a **COMMITTEE MEETING** on **Monday**, **April 3**, **2023 @ 3:00 PM.** in the **Speaker's Conference Room.** Please see the attached agenda.

Your attendance is greatly appreciated.

cc:

JGO Committee Members

Legal Counsel

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DATE: APRIL 3, 2023 TIME: 3:00 PM

LOCATION: Speaker's Conference Room

AGENDA

- I. Roll Call
- II. Adoption of Agenda
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Old Business
 - a. H.Res. 23-3: "To encourage the Honorable Governor Arnold I. Palacios and the Honorable Lieutenant Governor David M. Apatang to officially adopt a general policy to prevent the employment of people from being used as a personal political tool by freezing the hiring of nonessential employees with or without Number of Positions (NOP) provided in a budget enacted by the CNMI Legislature 180 days leading up to an election."
 - b. H.B. 23-8: "To require all contractors to be licensed in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands."
 - c. H.B. 23-9: "To require Legislative Appropriation for all Non-Locally-Sourced Funds allocated for the Northern Mariana Islands."
 - d. H.B. 23-15: "To amend Title 6 of the Commonwealth Code by adding a new Chapter to enact provisions associated with public corruption, other unlawful influence and related offenses for public officials; and for other purposes."
 - e. H.B. 23-22: "To establish an investigative division of the Office of the Attorney General, codify investigative subpoena power and improve the investigation of cases involving public corruption."
 - f. H.B. 23-24: "To provide an affirmative defense against drug possession charges in the case of an overdose."
 - g. H.B. 23-27: "To ensure that the expenditure authority designated in the Annual Appropriation Act retains exclusive control over all funds appropriated to it."

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- h. H.B. 23-29: "To establish a reward for recovery of public funds and a mechanism for the payment of the rewards for disclosures leading to the recovery of public funds; and for other purposes."
- i. JUD.BR.Comm. 23-4: "Proposed Amendment to the NMI Rules for Continuing Legal Education."
- j. JUD.BR.Comm. 23-5: "Proposed NMI Rules of Family Dispute Mediation."

V. New Business

- a. H.B. 23-33: "To improve standards in bail proceedings by establishing bail procedures, authorizing denial of bail, imposing conditions of release and protecting victims.:
- b. H.B. 23-36: "To amend 9 CMC §§8203 and 8204; and for other purposes."
- c. H.B. 23-37: "To amend the Department of public Safety's time period to produce police traffic and criminal investigation reports from 10 days to 3 days."
- d. H.B. 23-38: "To establish provision for jaywalking; and for other purposes."

VI. Miscellaneous

VII. Adjournment