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SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *MANANA SI YU'OS I MINA TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* IS CALLED TO ORDER AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE TO ASK LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON PLEASE LEAD US IN PRAYER.

SENATOR SHELTON: GOOD AND GRACIOUS GOD WE GIVE YOU THANKS FOR THIS DAY FOR ALL OF THE BLESSINGS THAT YOU'VE BESTOWED ON US WE ASK THAT YOU AWAKE IN OUR HEARTS AND YOU SEND US YOUR HOLY SPIRIT GIVE US CLEAR MINDS AND FOCUS WE PRAY THAT YOU SHARE WITH US YOUR WISDOM SO THAT WE MAY DO GOOD WORK AND OVERCOME ALL THE DIFFICULTIES WE MAY FACE AS IT IS PRAYED IN THE PSALMS WE ALSO PRAY LORD MAY YOUR WORD BE A LAMP FOR OUR FEET TO LIGHTEN OUR PATH WE PRAY THIS IN YOUR SON'S NAME AMEN.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: AMEN *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY SHELTON FOR THE RECOGNITION OF I MAS TAKHELO' THE SACRIFICIAL SENATOR REGINE BISCOE LEE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR LEE: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER ON BEHALF OF A GRATEFUL ISLAND AND COUNTRY WE HONOR NAVY SPECIALISTS SECOND CLASS ENRIQUE M IGNACIO WORLD WAR TWO AND THE FAMILY OF NAVY SPECIALIST SECOND CLASS ENRIQUE M IGNACIO FOR MAKING THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE IN SERVICE AND DEFENSE OF OUR ISLAND AND COUNTRY.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* SENATOR LEE AND SENATOR LEE WOULD YOU PLEASE KINDLY LEAD US IN THE RECITATION OF THE INEFRESI.

SENATOR BISCOE LEE: *INIFRESI.GINEN I MÅS TAKHELO'GI HINASSO-KU, I MÅS TAKHALOM GI KURASON-HU, YAN I MÅS FIGO' NA NINA'SIÑÅ-HU, HU UFRESEN MAISA YU' PARA BAI HU PRUTEHI YAN HU DIFENDE I HINENGGE, I KOTTURA, I LENGGUÅHI, I AIRE, I HANOM, YAN I TANO' CHAMORU NI' IRENSIÅ-KU DIRECHO GINEN AS YU'OS TÅTA. ESTE HUAFITMA GI HILO' I BIPBLIA YAN I BANDERÅ-HU, I BANDERAN GUÅHAN.*

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: AND AT THIS TIME TO SING THE GUAM HYMN IN CHAMORRO AND THE SINGING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM I CALL UPON THE MEN FROM THE 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE TO KINDLY LEAD US.

MALE SENATORS: *FANOHGGE CHAMORRO PUT I TANO' TA KANTA I MATUNA-NA GI TODU I LUGAT PARA I ONRA, PARA I GLORIA ABIBA I ISLA SINPARAT. PARA I ONRA, PARA I GLORIA ABIBA I ISLA SINPARAT. TODU I TIEMPO I PAS PARA HITA YAN GINEN I LANGET NA BENDISION KONTRA I PILIGRU NA'FANSAFO HAM YU'OS PRUTEHI I ISLAN GUAM KONTRA I PILIGRU NA'FANSAFO HAM YU'OS PRUTEHI I ISLAN GUAM.*

O SAY CAN YOU SEE, BY THE DAWN'S EARLY LIGHT, WHAT SO PROUDLY WE HAIL'D AT THE TWILIGHT'S LAST GLEAMING, WHOSE BROAD STRIPES AND BRIGHT STARS THROUGH THE PERILOUS FIGHT O'ER THE RAMPARTS WE WATCH'D WERE SO GALLANTLY STREAMING AND THE ROCKET'S RED GLARE, THE BOMBS BURSTING IN AIR, GAVE PROOF THROUGH THE NIGHT THAT OUR FLAG WAS STILL THERE, O SAY DOES THAT STAR-SPANGLED BANNER YET WAVE O'ER THE LAND OF THE FREE AND THE HOME OF THE BRAVE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: BIBA THANK YOU VERY MUCH GENTLEMEN UN DÅNGKOLO NA *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* TO MY COLLEAGUES TO THE MEN'S 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE MAN SQUAD *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM CLERK , *HÅYI MANGGIGE GUNI PUT FABOT* PLEASE TAKE ROLL.

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE: SENATOR CASTRO SENATOR LEE SENATOR MARSH TAITANO SENATOR MOYLAN SPEAKER MUNA BARNES SENATOR MUNA VICE SPEAKER NELSON SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR RIDGELL SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR TAITAGUE SPEAKER PEDO TERLAJE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE SENATOR TORRES MADAM SPEAKER THERE IS A QUORUM.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM CLERK ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH TAITANO YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO APPROVE THE LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL DATED MAY 28 2018 SUBJECT TO CORRECTIONS.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL DATED TO MAY 28 2019 ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH TAITANO YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER THERE ARE COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS AND I MOVE THAT THEY BE APPENDED TO TODAY'S SESSION JOURNAL.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THE MOTION THAT COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITION BE APPENDED TO TODAY'S SESSION JOURNAL ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH TAITANO YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER THERE ARE MESSAGES FROM *I MAGA'HAGAN GUAHAN* AND I MOVE THAT THEY BE APPENDED TO TODAY'S SESSION JOURNAL.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THE MOTION THAT MESSAGES FROM *I MAGA'HAGAN GUAHAN* APPENDED TO TODAY'S SESSION JOURNAL ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER MARSH TAITANO YOU'RE STILL RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): MADAM SPEAKER THERE ARE REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND I MOVE THAT THEY BE APPENDED TO TODAY'S SESSION JOURNAL.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THE MOTION THAT REPORTS THAT REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES BE APPENDED TO TODAY'S JOURNAL ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH TAITANO YOU'RE STILL RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): MADAM SPEAKER THERE ARE NO REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR PLEASE PROCEED MAJORITY ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE THAT BILLS INTRODUCED BILLS NUMBER 146-35 COR 147-35 LS AND 148-35 LS 149-35 COR THROUGH 174-35 COR AND 175-35 LS AND RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED RESOLUTIONS 149-35 LS THROUGH 155-35 LS 152 -35 COR THROUGH 166-35 COR BE DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN GIVEN THEIR FIRST READING

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: AND ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER THAT WAS BILL NUMBER 151-35 LS AM I RIGHT 151.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): YES.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: THANK YOU ON THE MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES AND AT THIS TIME LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WE ARE IN MOTIONS ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH TAITANO I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): AT THIS TIME AGAIN *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO EXCUSE SENATORS NOT PRESENT FOR TODAY'S LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER YOU ARE STILL RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE THAT ALL CONGRATULATORY COMMENDATORY AND CONDOLENCE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED TODAY AND FOR THE REMAINDER OF THIS LEGISLATIVE SESSION BE CONSIDERED FIRST READ AND ADOPTED TO ALLOW THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND TO ADD ALL SENATORS AS CO-SPONSORS.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TAITANO ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY I WILL ADDRESS YOU AT THIS TIME.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PLACE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AIR TRANSPORTATION AND STATISTICS RESEARCH AND PLANNING THE APPOINTMENT OF KARLIN RCG BORJA TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM EDUCATION BOARD ON THE SESSION AGENDA.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES AND AT THIS TIME SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: GOOD MORNING MADAM SPEAKER AND THANK YOU I I WOULD MOVE TO PLACE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TOURISM HISTORIC PRESERVATION LAND AND JUSTICE THE NOMINATION OF EVANGELINE F R ALLEN TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO PUT THAT ON THE AGENDA.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TERLAJE ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE I WILL STILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO PLACE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TOURISM HISTORIC PRESERVATION LAND AND JUSTICE THE NOMINATION OF DR. ARANEA O OFFICE AND TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS AGENDA MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR THERESA TERLAJE ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES SENATOR TERLAJE YOU'RE STILL RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PLACE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TOURISM HISTORIC PRESERVATION LAND AND JUSTICE THE NOMINATION OF DIANA B CALVO TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK ON THE SESSION AGENDA.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES THANK YOU SENATOR TERLAJE ARE THERE ANY OTHER MOTIONS AT THIS TIME WE ARE LADIES AND GENTLEMEN ON LEGISLATIVE CONCURRENCE SENATOR ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH TAITANO I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU THIS TIME.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PLACE IN THE VOTING FILE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON HERITAGE AND ARTS PARKS GUAM PRODUCTS *HAGATNA* REVITALIZATION SELF-DETERMINATION AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS HEREBY REPORTS OUT THE NOMINATION OF PATRICIA ANN P ADA TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE *HAGATNA* RESTORATION AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WITH THE RECOMMENDATION TO DO CONFIRM.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER YOU'RE STILL RECOGNIZED SENATOR MARSH TAITANO.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PLACE IN THE VOTING FILE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON HERITAGE AND THE ARTS PARKS GUAM PRODUCTS *HAGATNA* REVITALIZATION SELF-DETERMINATION AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS HEREBY REPORTS OUT THE NOMINATION OF JOAQUIN A BELLIS TO SERVE AS A YOUTH MEMBER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WITH THE RECOMMENDATION TO DO CONFIRM.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES SENATOR JOE SAN AGUSTIN I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO PLACE IN THE VOTING FILE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATION APPROPRIATIONS AND HOUSING HEREBY REPORTS OUT THE NOMINATION OF CHRISTOPHER A CRUZ TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM ETHICS COMMISSION WITH A RECOMMENDATION TO DO CONFIRM.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES SENATOR CLYNT RIDGELL WILL RECOGNIZE YOU AT THIS TIME.

SENATOR RIDGELL: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PLACE IN THE VOTING FILE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGRICULTURE MARITIME TRANSPORTATION POWER AND ENERGY UTILITIES AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE HEREBY REPORTS OUT THE NOMINATION OF DEEPAK R DIWAN TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS WITH THE RECOMMENDATION TO CONFIRM.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR RIDGELL ON THE MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES SAT THIS TIME I WILL RECOGNIZE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU AT THIS TIME FRANKLIN P LEON GUERRERO GUAM PAROLE BOARD.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: SORRY MADAM I - FIGURED THAT WE'RE STILL IN MOTION'S SO UNDER LEGISLATIVE CONCURRENCES YES I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE TO PLACE IN THE VOTING FILE FROM FROM THE

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TOURISM HISTORIC PRESERVATION LAND AND JUSTICE THE NOMINATION OF FRANKLIN P LEON GUERRERO TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM PAROLE BOARD WITH THE RECOMMENDATION TO DO CONFIRM.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU AT THIS TIME.

SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PLACE IN THE VOTING FILE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY BOARD SAFETY MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS NURSE COUNCIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC TRANSIT HEREBY REPORTS OUT THE NOMINATION OF JOHN C LEON GUERRERO TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE ORIGINAL TRANSFER TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS WITH THE RECOMMENDATION TO CONFIRM.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE' SENATOR TERLAJE SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED RIGHT NOW.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PLACE IN THE VOTING FILE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AIR TRANSPORTATION AND STATISTICS RESEARCH AND PLANNING HEREBY REPORTS OUT THE NOMINATION OF CARLIN RCG BORJA TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF GUAM EDUCATION BOARD WHAT THE RECOMMENDATION TO DO CONFIRM.

SPEAKER MUNA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS SEEING NONE MOTION CARRIES *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED AT THIS TIME.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I WOULD MOVE TO PLACE IN THE VOTING FILE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TOURISM HISTORIC PRESERVATION LAND AND JUSTICE THE NOMINATION OF DR. ARIANA ADOLFSON TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS WITH THE RECOMMENDATION TO DO CONFIRM.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PACING THE VOTING FILE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TOURISM HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND LAND AND JUSTICE THE NOMINATION OF EVANGELINE FR ALLEN TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES WITH A RECOMMENDATION TO DO CONFIRM.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE YOU'RE STILL RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO PLACE IN THE VOTING FILE FROM THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TOURISM HISTORIC PRESERVATION LAND AND JUSTICE THE NOMINATION OF DIANA B CALVO TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK WITH A RECOMMENDATION TO DO CONFIRM.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* SENATOR THERESE SO LADIES AND GENTLEMEN RIGHT NOW WE ARE IN SECOND READING WE ARE NOW ON BILL NUMBER 42-35 COR SENATOR PEDO JOSE PEDO TERLAJE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED ON THIS BILL.

SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO PLACE BILL NUMBER 42 35 TO THE THIRD READING FILE AND WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR PEDO CAN YOU JUST SAY AS A BILL NUMBER 42-34 COR AS AMENDED AND FURTHER AMENDED.

SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE: AS AMENDED.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SO IT'S AS AMENDED AND FURTHER AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY BORDER SAFETY MILITARY VETERANS MAYOR'S COUNCIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC TRANSIT RIGHT.

SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE: THAT'S CORRECT MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: OKAY ON THAT MOTION PLEASE PROCEED.

SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE: BILL NUMBER 42-35 WAS INTRODUCED AT THE REQUEST OF THE GUAM REGIONAL TRANSFER AUTHORITY TO ACHIEVE A GOAL OF CONSTRUCTION AND A MAINTENANCE FACILITY WITH 1.237 MILLION IN FEDERAL FUNDS THAT ARE ALREADY IN THE PIN IN THEIR POSSESSION THIS HAS BEEN A FIVE-YEAR

JOURNEY WITH FOUR EXTENSIONS ALREADY GRANTED AND WE ARE NOW IN THE VERGE OF LOSING OUT ON THESE FUNDS WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO BE EXPANDED BY SEPTEMBER 13 2019 THIS MEASURE MADAM SPEAKER WILL GRANT THE TITLE OF OWNERSHIP OF PARTIAL MANJULA AND REM 6120 SQUARE METER PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE TAMUNING GRTA FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING MAINTENANCE FACILITY AND I ASKED THE MY COLLEAGUES SUPPORT THIS LEGISLATION TO ALLOW GRT GRTA TO BETTER SERVICE OUR CUSTOMERS THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE THERE ANYONE ELSE WANTING TO SPEAK ON THE MAIN MOTION SENATOR THERESE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I STAND IN SUPPORT OF THIS BILL THIS BILL HAS HAD A PUBLIC HEARING AND THERE WERE SEVERAL QUESTIONS THAT WERE RAISED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING BUT AT LEAST ON THE PART OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAND WE HAD COMMUNICATED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND MANAGEMENT AND AND THE DIRECTOR JOE BORJA HAD AND HIS STAFF HAD GONE THROUGH QUITE EXTENSIVE WORK TO ANSWER OUR QUESTIONS AND CONFIRM FIRST OF ALL THAT THE TITLE OF THE PROPERTY IS THERE IS NO PART OF THIS PROPERTY ACCORDING TO THEIR RECORDS THAT IS BELONGS TO THE CHAMORRO LAND TRUST COMMISSION AND THAT THE PROPERTY IS IN THE HANDS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM AND SO THIS BILL WOULD TRANSFER THE PROPERTY FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM TO THE GUAM REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY THEY ALSO CONFIRMED THAT THIS LOT IS ZONED EM1 AND THEY SUBMITTED A LIST OF THE LANDOWNERS AND THEY TALKED ABOUT THE THERE WAS A BULL CART TRAIL THAT THEY WON OF ONE OF THE ISSUES AT THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS THE ACCESS TO THIS LOT AND WHETHER THE ONLY ACCESS WAS GOING TO BE FROM YOU KNOW THE MAIN ROAD COMING INTO HARMON INDUSTRIAL PARK AND SOME HAD EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THAT WOULD BE A YOU KNOW PROBLEM FOR THE TRAFFIC IN THAT AREA SO LAND MANAGEMENT ALSO CONFIRMED THAT ONE THERE'S ACCESS THROUGH THE THE EXISTING DPW LOTS IF THAT'S GOING TO BE SECURED THROUGH AN AGREEMENT AND THAT POTENTIALLY THIS OLD BULL CART TRAIL HE SAID IT'S NOT BEING IT'S NOT BEING USED RIGHT NOW FOR ACCESS BUT I WOULD JUST ASSUME THAT THE GUAM REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY IS GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK INTO THAT AND HOPEFULLY NOT ACCESS FROM THE MAIN ROAD I'M JUST GOING TO PUT THAT ON THE RECORD SO THAT THEY CAN UNDERSTAND OUR CONCERNS ALSO MAD MADAM SPEAKER THE OTHER CONCERN THAT WAS BROUGHT UP AT THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS THAT THE USE OF THIS PROPERTY AS A MAINTENANCE SEEMS VERY FITTING IT'S IN THE INDUSTRIAL PARK IT'S CONNECTED TO THE DPW'S LOOKS LIKE A MAINTENANCE FACILITY IF YOU GO TO THIS AREA AND THERE'S A LOT OF OLD VEHICLES THERE AND THEY DO HAVE A NICE MAINTENANCE FACILITY RIGHT ADJACENT TO THIS PROPERTY SO THEY LOOK LIKE CONSISTENT USES BUT AT THE PUBLIC HEARING A POTENTIAL USE THAT WAS BROUGHT UP WAS THAT GRT IS SUPPOSEDLY ALSO HAS FUNDING FOR THIS IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE A CUSTOMER CENTER ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DISABILITIES TO COME IN AND AND MAKE THAT ONE CLICK ONE CALL AND TO BE HONEST I HAVEN'T I'M STILL NOT CLEAR WHETHER THEY INTEND TO USE THIS FACILITY FOR MAINTENANCE AND THE ONE CLICK ONE CALL BUT I THINK THAT I'M JUST WE'RE JUST GONNA PUT THAT ON THE RECORD ALSO MADAM SPEAKER AND AND HOPE THAT THE GRTA WILL VERY MUCH CONSIDER BEFORE THEY MAKE THIS AREA A ONE CLICK ONE CALL CENTER BECAUSE THAT MEANS YOU KNOW CONSUMER CUSTOMER TRAFFIC IS GOING TO BE COMING INTO THIS MAINTENANCE AREA THAT'S ONE CONCERN I HAVE THE OTHER CONCERN IS OF COURSE IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE THAT ONE CLICK ONE CALL SUPPOSED TO BE LOCATED NEXT TO J OF ACROSS FROM JFK I THINK THAT'S THE ORIGINAL PLOT IT'S JUST SOMEWHERE VERY ACCESSIBLE TO FOR CUSTOMERS SO IF THEY'RE ABLE TO YOU KNOW MAKE THIS MATCH IN THEIR DESIGN OR PUT IT IN THERE AND THEY FEEL IT'S GOING TO BE VERY SAFE FOR THE CUSTOMERS THEN I OF COURSE I HAVE NO OBJECTION BUT I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT I HOPE THAT THEY CONSIDER THAT WHEN THEY'RE THEY'RE DOING THEIR DESIGNING AND THAT THE PURPOSE IS VERY CLEAR AND SO OTHERWISE I'D LIKE TO THANK THE THE SPONSOR OF THE BILL BUT I ALSO LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION MADAM SPEAKER TO ADD THE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN IT'S A LETTER I WROTE TO THE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON THAT WAS RESPONDED TO BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND MANAGEMENT WHERE THEY INCLUDE ALL THEIR PROOF OF ALL THE ANSWERS TO OUR QUESTIONS AND IF I WOULD ACT THAT AT THAT BE APPENDED TO THE COMMITTEE REPORT OR SUBMITTED AS A SUPPLEMENTAL COMMITTEE REPORT BY THE SPONSOR OF THE BILL OR THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TERLAJE ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR THERESE SENATOR JOE SAN AGUSTIN I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER AND *BUENES DIHAS* TO ALL I RISE IN SUPPORT OF BILL 42-35 TO GRANT ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF SIX THE PROPERTY IN TO MORNING TO THE GUAM REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SIT WITH THE DIRECTOR SUB OUT ON HIS TEAM TO DISCUSS THEIR BUDGET REQUEST AND ALSO DISCUSSED THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS BILL IN OUR DISCUSSION WE LEARNED THAT THERE WAS MORE THAN 200,000 AT STAKE HERE THE PLAN FOR A

BUILDING ON ON THE PROPERTY IN ADDITION TO THE 200 K THERE'S 1.2 MILLION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING ONE CLICK ONE CALL SYSTEM THAT WILL ASSIST IN THE COORDINATION OF TRANSPORTING OUR ISLANDS RIDERS ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES AND OUR *MANAMKO* GRTA IS AND POSSESSED A MORE FEDERAL GRANT FUNDING THAT ARE REQUIRED USED BEFORE THEY ARE TO RETURN THE MONIES THIS MONEY WILL HELP IN BUILDING THEIR ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING ALONG WITH MORE MUCH-NEEDED BUSES AND VEHICLES TO ENHANCE AND EXPAND THEIR FLEET AND SERVICE THIS BILL WILL LAUNCH GRJ INTO AN ERA OF SERVICE LIKE NO ONE HAS SEEN ON GUAM BY PASSING THIS WE WILL START TO GIVE THEM THE MUCH-NEEDED TOOLS TO GET A RELIABLE FORM OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR OUR PEOPLE WHO ARE ON A DAILY BASIS UTILIZE GRTA TO GET TO WORK MEDICAL DENTAL APPOINTMENTS AND HOME *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* FOR THE OPPORTUNITY SPEAK ON BILL 42 I ENCOURAGE MY COLLEAGUES TO SUPPORT THIS BILL.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN SENATOR TELO ON THE MAIN MOTION.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AND GOOD MORNING TO MY COLLEAGUES I'D LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE AUTHOR OF BILL 42-35 FOR MOVING ON THIS AS QUICKLY HE ACTUALLY IT WAS AN ATTEMPT EARLIER TO TRY TO GET THIS THROUGH UNDERSTANDING THE IMPORTANCE OF FEDERAL FUNDS THE OPPORTUNITY OF RECEIVING THAT SO I COMMEND THE AUTHOR FOR MOVING FAST AND FULLY SUPPORT THIS LEGISLATION I DO REALIZE THAT THE WELL SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO DON'T REALIZE WHERE THIS IS AT THE LOCATION IT'S ACTUALLY WITHIN DPW'S PROPERTY IT SITS RIGHT ON THE BACK END OF THAT AREA AND THIS MADAM SPEAKER ALSO HELPS TO HAVE THIS COLLABORATION BETWEEN TWO AGENCIES TO HELP EACH OTHER OUT IT'S A GREAT LOCATION BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE DPW ALSO HAVE THEIR MECHANICS THAT ARE THERE TO ASSIST THEM AND IT JUST MAKES IT EASIER AND MORE CONVENIENT TO HAVE THIS AS WELL IT'S NOTED THAT THIS PROPERTY COMES FROM THE CHAMORRO LAND TRUST COMMISSION TO FULL FULL OUTRIGHT TO GRT A WHICH THIS I BELIEVE MADAM SPEAKER DOES ASSIST IN OBTAINING ANY TYPE OF GRANTS BY HAVING THIS UNDER THEIR THEIR DEPARTMENT THEIR AGENCY WITHOUT ANY TIES TO IT SO MADAM SPEAKER I RISE IN FULL SUPPORT AND AGAIN I THANK THE AUTHOR FOR CONTINUING TO LOOK AFTER THOSE INDIVIDUALS UTILIZING THE GUAM MASS TRANSIT SYSTEM AND I'M SURE HE HAS MORE LEGISLATION TO COME TO ASSIST THESE INDIVIDUALS USING THIS FACILITY THANK.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TELO ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION IF NOT SENATOR PEDO WOULD YOU LIKE TO CLOSE OR PUT IT IN THE VOTING FILE.

SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE: I MOVE TO PLACE 42 35 IN THE VOTING FILE I ALSO WANT TO JUST THANK MY COLLEAGUE FOR FOR SUPPORT SUPPORTING THIS BILL AND I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A CORRECTION THAT WHEN WE STARTED THE INITIATION OF THIS PARTICULAR BILL AND I GUESS SENATORS TERLAJE KNEW ABOUT THIS WHEN I WENT OFF ISLAND AND I ASKED HER TO REALLY LOOK INTO THIS AND THE FIRST LOT NUMBER THAT WAS GIVEN TO US WAS THE WRONG LOT NUMBER WE CORRECTED THAT AND THEN AFTER THAT WE FOUND OUT A COUPLE OF WEEKS LATER WE FOUND OUT THAT THE THE LAND ITSELF IS NOT UNDER THE LAND TRUST AND WE WERE TOLD THAT IT WAS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND MANAGEMENT AND THEN A COUPLE OF COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO IT WAS CONFIRMED THAT IT WAS REALLY UNDER GEDA SO WE WORK OUT THE DETAILS FOR YE DE AND THE MASS TRANSIT AUTHORITY TO JUST DO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE USES OF THE PROPERTY THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* ON THE MOTION TO PLACE ON THE VOTING FILE WITHOUT ANY OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES NEXT ON THE AGENDA LADIES AND GENTLEMEN MY COLLEAGUES IS BILL NUMBER ONE 130-35 COR I WILL RECOGNIZE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE AT THIS TIME SENATOR.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PLACE BILL NUMBER 130-35 INTRODUCED BY REQUEST OF *I MAGA'HAGAN GUAHAN* WHICH IS AN ACT APPROPRIATE \$150,000 FROM THE FY 17 HEALTHY FUTURES FUND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION FOR CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE GUAM AUTISM CENTER AND TO REPEAL PUBLIC LAW 35-9 IN ITS ENTIRETY INTO THE THIRD READING FILE AND I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THE BILL MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THE MOTION PLEASE PROCEED.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU FIRST AND FOREMOST I'D LIKE TO SINCERELY THANK THE FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN WITH AUTISM FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF THIS BILL TO THE FAMILIES RECEIVING SERVICES THROUGH THE THE NEW AND PILOT PROGRAM GUAM AUTISM CENTER AND THOSE FAMILIES WHO ARE STILL ON THE WAITING LIST AND AS WELL AS THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE WORKING AT THE GUAM AUTISM CENTER FOR THEIR PATIENCE AND THEIR UNDERSTANDING THROUGHOUT AN EXTENDED PROCESS TO TO GET IN A LITTLE BIT OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING TOWARDS THE CENTER TO KEEP IT VIABLE FOR ONE MORE YEAR WHILE THEY CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS TO MAKE IT INDEPENDENT AS WE KNOW THIS THIS BILL FOLLOWS BILL 68 AND DURING THE APRIL SESSION ON BILL 68 IT WAS AMENDED TO ADD IN LANGUAGE THAT FUNDING COME FROM

THE EXCESS OF GENERAL FUND REVENUES AND NOT JUST THE GENERAL FUND AND ALTHOUGH THE BILL RECEIVED UNANIMOUS SUPPORT AND WAS SIGNED INTO LAW BY THE GOVERNOR THE GOVERNOR IN A MEMORANDUM STATED THAT THE ADDED EXCESS OF THE GENERAL FUND REVENUE THAT THE ADDED WORD EXCESS RESULTED IN A TECHNICAL FLAW EFFECTIVELY REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO WAIT UNTIL THE END OF FY 2019 AFTER ALL OF THE ACCOUNTS HAVE BEEN RECONCILED TO DETERMINE IF THERE'S AN EXCESS FUNDING AND WOULD NOT APPROPRIATE THE IMMEDIATE FUNDING NEEDED AT THE TIME OF THE INTRODUCTION OF THE BILL THE CRE REPORTS FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM CONTINUE TO SHOW THAT WE ARE COLLECTING IN WAY IN EXCESS OF THE PROJECTED GENERAL FUND REVENUES AND THESE REVENUES ARE MADE MADAM SPEAKER BASED ON PROJECTIONS OF EBBS AND FLOWS AND DRY PERIODS IN OUR ECONOMY I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE THE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR HAVING A HEARING ON THIS BILL AS SOON AS IT WAS REFERRED TO HIM MADAM SPEAKER AND I AM ALSO THANKFUL TO THE GOVERNOR THAT SHE POINTED OUT AN AVAILABLE SOURCE THAT WILL MEET THE IMMEDIATE FUNDING NEEDS FOR THE \$150,000 AND THAT BEING THE HEALTHY FUTURES FUND ON MAY 16 DIRECTOR BYRNE OF DOA STATED THAT THERE WAS A SUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF THE FUN APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY THREE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHT AT THAT TIME TO APPROPRIATE AND AVAILABLE IF WE PASS THIS BILL I WANT TO REEMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF PASSING THIS LEGISLATION DR. VINCE DUENAS IS WHO REALLY HAS SPEARHEADED THIS PROGRAM HE AND HIS WIFE AND THE HUNTER SPEAKS ORGANIZATION DR. DR. DUENAS HAS TESTIFIED THAT THEY HAVE ALREADY IDENTIFIED APPROXIMATE A WELL 260 CHILDREN AT THE TIME THAT HE TESTIFIED WITH AUTISM ON GUAM BUT ALMOST EVERYONE ELSE WHO HAS TESTIFIED REGARDING HOW MANY CHILDREN THERE ARE WITH AUTISM AND GUAM THEY ALL SEEM TO BE IN AGREEMENT THAT THE ESTIMATE OF 260 IS VERY LOW AND THAT THERE ARE JUST CHILDREN WHO ARE NOT BEING DIAGNOSED OR RECEIVING SERVICES AT THIS TIME I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WHO CONTINUES TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE BEST OF THEIR ABILITY FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM WHO ARE OF AGE TO ATTEND SCHOOL BUT THE REAL BENEFIT OF THIS PROGRAM MADAM SPEAKER TO OUR COMMUNITY IS THE ABILITY TO DIAGNOSE EARLY OR TO HOPEFULLY RECEIVE TREATMENT EARLIER IN THE EARLIER THEY CAN PROVIDE THIS THERAPY IT'S A BEHAVIORAL THERAPY THE EARLIER OR THE MORE SUCCESSFUL THEY BELIEVE THAT THESE CHILDREN ARE GOING TO TO BE HEARTBREAKING TESTIMONY WAS GIVEN ON THE DAILY CHALLENGES THESE FAMILIES FACE AND THEIR NEED TO BE SUPPORTED AND THE THE OPTION OF HAVING TO LEAVE ISLAND TO SEEK THE SYSTEM OF CARE FOR THEIR CHILDREN IN NEED WE ARE HOPING TO AVOID THAT MADAM SPEAKER FOR FOR AT LEAST SOME OF THE CHILDREN WHO WE CAN REACH HURT THIS WITH THIS CENTER SO I WAS PLEASED TO HEAR THAT DESPITE THIS LOOMING YOU KNOW THREAT OF INSUFFICIENT FUNDS TO CARRY OUT THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR THAT THE THE GUAM AUTISM CENTER HAD ALREADY REACHED OUT TO FAMILIES ON THE WAITING LIST AND WAS CONDUCTING PARENT TRAININGS WITH PARENTS OF AT LEAST 30 CHILDREN WHO ARE ON THE WAITING LIST AND THEY ARE ALSO EXPLORING TELEHEALTH AS AN OPTION SO THEY ARE DOING THEIR BEST TO RESPOND TO THE FACT NEEDS OF FAMILIES REGARDLESS OF THEIR CONSTRAINTS OR SHORTFALLS AND I WOULD ASK MY COLLEAGUES THAT WE STEP UP TO THIS CHALLENGE AND PROVIDE JUST THIS ADDITIONAL SEED MONEY FOR THIS PILOT PROGRAM THAT IS TRYING TO MAKE ITSELF INDEPENDENT OF GOVERNMENT FUNDS BUT IS ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM FOR FOR MANY MANY CHILDREN ON GUAM IN IN VERY SERIOUS NEED OF BEHAVIORAL THERAPY *SI YU'OS MA'ASE'* MADAM SPEAKER WENT OVER TO SENATOR.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *BUEN PRUBECHU* SENATOR TERLAJE SENATOR REGINE LEE ON THE MAIN MOTION.

SENATOR LEE: *SI YU'OS MA'ASE'* MADAM SPEAKER AND GOOD MORNING WHEN HIS COLLEAGUES I RISE IN SUPPORT OF BILL 130 AND I WANT TO THANK THE AUTHORS CERTAINLY YOU WANT TO THANK THE APPROPRIATIONS CHAIR FOR GETTING US TO THIS POINT AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK OUR *MAGA HAGA* FOR IDENTIFYING A WAY FORWARD WE ALL UNDERSTAND AND WE CAN ALL GET BEHIND THIS ISSUE IN SUPPORT OF OUR AUTISM COMMUNITY AND REALLY OF SUPPORT OF OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE I KNOW THAT IN APRIL THIS BODY JOINED IN WITH OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY IN CELEBRATING AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH AND WE HAD WE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THIS BODY AND FOR OUR COMMUNITY TO JOIN TOGETHER IN THE PUBLIC HEARING ROOM WE HAD A RESOLUTION PRESENTATION WE LIT OUR CONGRESS BUILDING UP BLUE AND THAT WAS AN EFFORT BY US TO REALLY HELP TO SPREAD AWARENESS ABOUT AUTISM AND TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR THE FAMILIES WHO ARE DEALING WITH SOME OF THESE CHALLENGES EVERY SINGLE DAY AND OVERCOMING THESE CHALLENGES EVERY SINGLE DAY AND I THINK WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE MADAM SPEAKER IS THAT BILL 130 REALLY SENDS A MESSAGE SENDS A MESSAGE TO THOSE FAMILIES AND TO OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY AND IT'S A MESSAGE OF HOPE AND I KNOW THAT I ROSE IN SUPPORT OF THE PREVIOUS BILL AND I JUST TO REITERATE THAT THE MORE THAT WE UNDERSTAND THE CHALLENGES THAT PEOPLE WITH AUTISM FACE AND THEIR FAMILIES FACE THE MORE WE UNDERSTAND THE MORE POSSIBILITIES WE SEE AND I THINK THAT'S A REALLY IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR US TO SEND AS THE LEADERS OF THIS ISLAND AND TO JUST

SHOW OUR SUPPORT AND SHOW A MESSAGE OF HOPE TO THOSE FAMILIES SO I CERTAINLY RISE IN SUPPORT OF BILL 130 AND I ASKED MY COLLEAGUES TO DO THE SAME *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *BUEN PRUBECHU* SENATOR LEE ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION SENATOR JOE SAN AGUSTIN I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER FOR YEARS MANY OF OUR ISLAND'S FAMILIES HAVE LIVED THEIR LIVES NOT KNOWING WHETHER THEIR CHILDREN OR LOVED ONES SUFFER FROM A DISABILITY AND MORE OFTEN THAN NOT MANY FAMILIES DO NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES TO SEEK TREATMENT FOR THESE DISABILITIES OFF ISLAND WHEN TREATMENT ARE NOT AVAILABLE HERE AT HOME MANY FAMILIES WITH AUTISM FACE THIS DILEMMA TODAY WE CAN CONTINUE TO HELP FAMILIES GET THE HELP THEY NEED TO BRING THE HEALING AND SOME FORM OF NORMALCY TO THEIR LIVES RIGHT HERE AT HOME THANKS LIKE OUR THE AUTHOR HAD MENTIONED DR. VINNIE DUENAS IS AND HIS WIFE TANYA AND THEIR LOVE FOR THEIR SON HUNTER THEY STARTED THE HUNTER SPEAK AN ORGANIZATION TO BRING APPLIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS OR ABA THERAPY TO GUAM TO HELP KIDS LIKE HUNTER WHO HAVE AUTISM LIKE MANY GUAM'S NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION HUNTER SPEAKS ARE IN NEED OF SOME GOVERNMENT SUPPORT TO ENSURE SERVICES ARE CONTINUALLY MADE AVAILABLE ESPECIALLY WHEN THE GOVERNMENT IS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE THE SERVICE ABA THERAPY IS AN EXTENSIVE PROGRAM THAT REQUIRES HOURS OF WORK A DAY OFTEN SEVERAL DAYS A WEEK HUNTER'S PEAK TOOK ON THE TASK OF IDENTIFYING ABA PROFESSIONALS BRINGING THEM TO GUAM AND TRAINING LOCAL PROFESSIONALS TO SERVE OUR ISLANDS CHILDREN BY PASSING BILL 130 WE WILL GIVE HUNTER SPEAKS THE ASSISTANCE THEY NEED TO CONTINUE SERVING MANY OF OUR ISLANDS AUTISM HEROES NOT ALL HEROES WEAR CAPES 100 FEET IS DEFINITELY A HERO IN OUR COMMUNITY AND I RISE TO SUPPORT THIS BILL AND IN TURN SUPPORT THEM AND OUR AUTISM FAMILY THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR TELO YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I I BELIEVE EVERYONE IN THIS BODY FULLY SUPPORTS ANY ASSISTANCE WE CAN PROVIDE TO THOSE FAMILIES IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE WHEN IT COMES TO AUTISM THE PREVIOUS BILL THAT THAT WE HAD PASSED AND WE ALL SUPPORTED MADAM SPEAKER WE WERE BEING WHAT'S FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE TO ENSURE THAT WHATEVER APPROPRIATIONS THAT WE MAKE THAT THERE IS FUNDING FOR IT WE CAN'T JUST FUND ANY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION WHETHER IT IS AUTISM CANCER OR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY ANY KIND OF AILMENT IF THERE'S NO MONEY THAT'S THERE SO IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE WE WE DON'T MAKE ANY FALSE PROMISES THAT THERE IS MONEY THAT'S THERE AND ACCORDING TO BBMR THEY WERE STATING THAT THERE IS SOME EXCESS IN THE HEALTHY FUTURES FUND AND I WANTED TO ASK THE COMMITTEE CHAIR A QUESTION WITH REGARDS TO HOW MUCH EXCESS FUNDING IS THERE IN THE HEALTHY FUTURES FUND OVER THE APPROPRIATED AMOUNT WHAT IS THE APPROPRIATION THAT WE APPROPRIATED IN 2019 AND WHAT ARE WE TRACKING NOW AND BASED ON BBMR WHEN WE HAD OUR OUR RECENT MEETING HOW MUCH MONEY IS THERE BECAUSE THEY KEEP TELLING US WE HAVE TO BE CAREFUL BECAUSE NOT ALL THE BILLS ARE BEING PAID FOR I JUST WANTED TO ASK THAT QUESTION.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR TELO I WILL ASK THE OVERSIGHT CHAIR OF APPROPRIATIONS WOULD YOU LIKE TO ANSWER THAT INQUIRY SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN NOT AT THIS TIME SENATOR SENATOR TERLAJE DO YOU HAVE A.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: JUST A POINT OF INFORMATIONMADAM SPEAKER IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY THE MONEY THAT'S BEING APPROPRIATE IN THIS BILL IS NOT FROM EXCESS FROM FY 2019 OR 18 OR 19 EITHER IT'S FROM IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE A FUND BALANCE PER AN AUDIT ON FY 17 YES SO EVEN ME TOOK ME A LONG TIME TO GET MY MIND AROUND THAT AND I STILL DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND IT BUT IT'S A FUND BALANCE THEY'RE SAYING FROM FY 17 PER AN AUDIT I THINK WHEN WE WERE IN THE THE PUBLIC HEARING ROOM RECENTLY DISCUSSING BALANCES OF SPECIAL FUNDS THAT I DIDN'T SEE THIS KIND OF BALANCEAT THE HEALTHY FUTURES FUND SO THANKS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TERESA TERLAJE AND SENATOR AGUSTIN SENATOR TAITAGUE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: I THINK THE AUTHOR FOR THAT EXPLANATION NOW IT A LITTLE LESS CONFUSING BUT STILL PUZZLING AS TO WHY THEY WOULD GO BACK TO FY 17 WHEN WE'RE LOOKING AT AND NOT EVEN FY 18 SO IT IS A BIT CONFUSING HOWEVER I'M LOOKING AT THE FISCAL NOTE AND THEY'RE SAYING THAT BASED ON AN AUDIT THEN THERE IS SOME FUNDING THAT'S AVAILABLE IN THIS ACCOUNT MAKES ME WONDER WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO USE WITH THE REMAINING AMOUNT OF THAT WHAT THE ADMINISTRATION DO THEY HAVE TO GET A APPROVAL BY THE LEGISLATURE IN ORDER TO SPEND THAT EXCESS FUNDING BUT YOU KNOW I CAN STAND IN FULL SUPPORT MADAM SPEAKER MY NEPHEW WHO HAS BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH AUTISM AND THEY WANT TO COME BACK TO GUAM BUT UNFORTUNATELY THERE'S NO FACILITIES THAT FULLY CARE FOR THE

INDIVIDUALS WITH AUTISM THAT GIVES THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK OR BE A PART OF THE COMMUNITY AND AND BE ABLE TO TO GROW SO I FELT I STAND IN FULL SUPPORT MADAM SPEAKER KNOWING THAT THEY'RE SAYING THERE IS FUNDING HERE AVAILABLE BUT MOST ESPECIALLY NOW THAT WE ARE GIVING A HUNTER SPEAKS 150,000 THIS IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN WE ALSO APPROPRIATED MONEY TO HUNTER SPEAKS A COUPLE YEARS AGO IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN AND I LOOKED AT THE AUTHOR OF THE BILL AND SHE SAID YES WE DID KNOW IN THE GOVERNOR'S FY 2020 BUDGET REQUEST THERE IS A SECTION IN THERE WHERE THE GOVERNOR STATES THAT SHE HAS EVERY INTENTION OF GIVING HUNTER SPEAKS ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS TO APPROPRIATE IT'S WITHIN OUR BUDGET BUT NOW WE'RE DOING THIS SOONER SO I'M COMFORTABLE KNOWING THAT NOW NOW WE'RE GONNA DO IT SOONER BECAUSE THIS IS A NEED THAT THEY NEED RIGHT AWAY SO THAT WHEN WE COME TO 2020 BUDGET IT'S ALREADY BEEN APPROPRIATED SO I'M GLAD IT'S BEING DONE BEING DONE NOW AND I CAN STAND IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS BILL THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH SENATOR TAITAGUE SPEAKER MUNA BARNES YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER *MANANA SI YU'OS* THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO STAND AND RISE IN FULL SUPPORT OF BILL NUMBER 130-35 CR IS AUTHORED BY THE GOOD SENATOR FROM YONA SENATOR THERESE I WANT TO SAY THAT THIS APPROPRIATION OF A HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS TO MAKE SURE THAT THE OPERATION OF THE GUAM AUTISM CENTER IS IS AFFORDED THAT OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE WITH SERVICE MADAM SPEAKER I WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU AS AS WE CONTINUE TO LOOK AT THAT THE NUMBERS THAT ARE OUT THERE AND THOSE THAT ARE UNREPORTED WE KNOW THAT IN THE COMING YEARS THERE WILL BE PROBABLY MORE CHILDREN AND THAT THAT WILL WILL BRING THE NUMBERS UP BUT I WANT TO SAY FROM THIS AUGUST BODY THAT EVERY TIME WE TAKE THE TIME TO TAKE CARE OF OUR CHILDREN WHO NEED THE SUPPORT THE MOST I THINK IT'S A WIN I KNOW IT'S A WIN AND FROM MY HEART A ONE WOULD HAVE TO KNOW THAT I HAVE A NIECE WHO HAS BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH AUTISM I ALSO HAVE A NEPHEW AND I WANT TO SHARE THAT EVERY TIME THEIR SHAPE THEY SHARE THEIR STORY WE AS A COMMUNITY NEED TO CONTINUE TO BRING OUTREACH WE IN OUR COMMUNITY NEED TO BE ABLE TO BE MORE UNDERSTANDING WE IN OUR COMMUNITY NEED TO TO KNOW THAT EVERY TIME THAT WE HAVE THE RESOURCES TO HELP BETTER THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THESE CHILDREN AND FOR THEIR FAMILIES THEN WE KNOW THAT GUAM TRULY IS THE PLACE THEY DESERVE TO BE IN AND I WANT TO SAY THAT TO ALL THE FAMILIES OUT THERE I KNOW THAT IT'S NOT EASY SOMETIMES BUT KNOW THAT THE LOVE AND THE SUPPORT AND THE SUPPORT FROM THE GOVERNMENT EVEN MORE SO IMPORTANT IS THERE AND THEY'VE ALSO SHOULD KNOW THAT THAT WE ARE LISTENING AND THAT WE DO TAKE THE TIME AND THAT THERE IS THAT LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL SO MADAM SPEAKER I KNOW THAT WE DO HAVE A BUDGET HEARING COMING UP SOON AND AND I WANT TO THANK THE ADVOCATES I WANT TO THANK HUNTER SPEAKS I WANT TO THANK THE TEAM AND THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HAVE COME INTO OUR OFFICE WHO HAVE SEEN US ON ON PUBLIC SETTINGS TO JUST BRING THE SUPPORT FOR THOSE WITH AUTISM TO BE THAT VOICE FOR THEM TO BE THAT VOICE TO MAKE EVERYBODY UNDERSTAND AND I KNOW THAT WITH MORE COLLABORATION COMING TOGETHER THAT THAT WE WILL GET A BETTER HAND UNDERSTANDING OF WHERE WE NEED TO GO AND WHERE WE NEED TO PROCEED AS IT RELATES TO PROVIDING THOSE RESOURCES SO AGAIN I WANT TO TAKE THE TIME TO THANK THE AUTHOR TO THANK THE OFFICE OF FINANCE AND BUDGETING FOR HEARING IT AS AS QUICK AS IT CAN AND ALSO TO THE ADMINISTRATION FOR UNDERSTANDING THE NEED AND TO BRING THAT RESOURCES AND TO UNDERSTAND THAT THAT THAT LOOKING AT THE FUNDING SOURCE THEY FOUND A WAY TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT THE AUTISM CENTER IS FULLY SUPPORTED IN THE RESOURCES THAT THEY MEET SO *UN DANGKULU NA SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I ASK THAT ALL OUR COLLEAGUES AGAIN SUPPORT THIS EFFORT AND WE SEND THIS BILL ON 130-35 TO THE GOVERNOR FOR HER SIGNATURE *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'*.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER WE WILL TAKE A QUICK RECESS.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE ON THE CLOSING.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER AGAIN I'D LIKE TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FIRST OF ALL FOR THEIR UNANIMOUS SUPPORT OF BILL 68 PREVIOUSLY AND FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF THIS BILL AS WELL MADAM SPEAKER AND AND FOR THEIR EFFORTS TO TO HELP THE AUTISM COMMUNITY TOGETHER ORGANIZATION THE HUNTER SPEAKS ORGANIZATION AND THOSE WHO ARE NOT REPRESENTED IN ANY ORGANIZATION WHO ARE BEING TREATED AT THE OR WHO ARE RECEIVING SERVICES THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THOSE WHO ARE NOT RECEIVING SERVICES AT THIS TIME MADAM SPEAKER JUST OUR AWARENESS OF AUTISM HAS INCREASED VERY MUCH DUE TO THE WORK OF OF ALL OF THE PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY INCLUDING THESE ORGANIZATIONS AND INCLUDING EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATES AND

I KNOW THAT FOR MYSELF I HAVE LEARNED A LOT OVER THE LAST COUPLE YEARS THAT I NEVER KNEW BEFORE AND I REALLY AM VERY GRATEFUL FOR ALL THE OUTREACH ALL THOSE IN THE MALL MEETING THE CHILDREN AND SEEING THEIR ARTWORK SEEING THEIR DIFFERENT ABILITIES HIGH YOU KNOW AND AND EVERY OPPORTUNITY THAT WE HAVE TO LEARN MORE I'M SURE OUR COMMUNITY IS GOING TO PROGRESS ON THIS ISSUE SO WHILE THIS IS A SMALL PRETTY MUCH A DROP IN THE BUCKET COMPARED TO THE NEED BECAUSE OF THE AMOUNT OF CHILDREN WHO CAN BE SERVICED BY THIS PARTICULAR BILL IT'S IT STILL IS GOING TO CREATE A PROGRAM AND A SPEAKER THAT THE HOPE OF THE PROGRAM IS GOING IS THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO EXPAND THESE SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY SO AGAIN I THANK YOU TO YOU AND TO ALL MY COLLEAGUES AND I ASK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THIS SEASON.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: AND MOVE IT TO THE AND SENATOR MOVE IT TO THE VOTING FILE ON THE MOTION TO MOVE IT TO THE VOTING FILE WITHOUT ANY OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY I'M GOING TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOU AT THIS TIME IF I MAY TO GO AHEAD TO DO A NOTWITHSTANDING PROVISION TO MOVE US BACK INTO ITEM NUMBER 18 CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY FILE TO VOTE WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT ON THE TWO.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVE THAT WE GO BACK TO.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: NO JUST MOVE TO ITEM NUMBER 18 BECAUSE WE ARE.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY WE MOVED TO ITEM NUMBER 18 AND THAT WE VOTE ON BILL 42 AND BILL 130 WITHOUT ENGROSSMENT.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: OKAY ON *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY ON THE MOTION FOR ON THE RECONSIDER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES ON THE CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY FILE TO ACT ON BILL NUMBER 42 - 35 COR AS AS AMENDED AND FURTHER AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY BORDER SAFETY MILITARY AND VETERAN SEVERE MAYOR'S COUNCIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC TRANSIT AND BILL NUMBER 30 130-35 COR BUT BY SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE BY THE REQUEST OF *I MAGA'HAGEN GUAHAN* THE GOVERNOR GUAM AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORGANIC SELL-THROUGH GUAM FOR VOTING ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE..

CLERK: BILL NUMBER 42-35 CORAS A MANDATE AND FURTHER AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY BORDER SECURITY MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS MAYOR'S COUNCIL OF GUAM INFRASTRUCTURE IN PUBLIC TRANSIT INTRODUCED BY JOSE PEDO TERLAJE AN ACT TO GRANT THE TITLE OF OWNERSHIP OF A 6120 SQUARE METER PORTION OF LOT 5 1 0 9 - REM MUNICIPALITY OF - TUMUNING - THE GUAM REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: MADAM CLERK ROLL CALL.

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE: SENATOR CASTRO SENATOR CASTRO AYE SENATOR LEE SENATOR LEE AYE SENATOR MARSH TAITANO SENATOR MARSH TAITANO AYE SENATOR MOYLAN SENATOR MOYLAN AYE SPEAKER MUNA BARNES SPEAKER MUNA BARNES AYE SENATOR MUNA SENATOR MUNA AYE VICE SPEAKER NELSON VICE SPEAKER NELSON EXCUSED SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR PEREZ AYE SENATOR RIDGELL SENATOR RIDGELL AYE SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN AYE SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR SHELTON AYE SENATOR TAITAGUE SENATOR TAITAGUE AYE SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE AYE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE AYE SENATOR TORRES SENATOR TORRES EXCUSED.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: BILL NUMBER 42-35 COR RECEIVED 13 AYES 2 EXCUSED ABSENCE BILL NUMBER 42-35 COR IS PASSED BY THIS BODY BILL NUMBER 130-35 COR CLERK PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

CLERK: BILL NUMBER 130-35 COR INTRODUCED BY THERESE M TERLAJE BY REQUEST OF *I MAGA'HAGEN GUAHAN* THE GOVERNOR GUAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORGANIC ACT OF GUAM AND AFTER APPROPRIATE \$150,000 FROM THE HEALTHY FUTURES FUND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION FOR CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE GUAM AUTISM CENTER AND TO REPEAL OF PUBLIC LAW 35-9 IN ITS ENTIRETY.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: MADAM CLERK ROLL CALL PLEASE.

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE: SENATOR CASTRO SENATOR CASTRO AYE SENATOR LEE SENATOR LEE AYE SENATOR MARSH TAITANO SENATOR MARSH TAITANO AYE SENATOR MOYLAN SENATOR MOYLAN AYE SPEAKER MUNA BARNES SPEAKER MUNA BARNES AYE SENATOR MUNA SENATOR MUNA AYE VICE SPEAKER NELSON VICE SPEAKER NELSON EXCUSED SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR PEREZ AYE SENATOR RIDGELL SENATOR RIDGELL AYE SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN AYE SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR SHELTON AYE SENATOR TAITAGUE SENATOR TAITAGUE AYE SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE AYE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE AYE SENATOR TORRES SENATOR TORRES EXCUSED.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: BILL NUMBER ONE 130-35 COR RECEIVED 13 AYES AND TWO EXCUSED ABSENCE BILL NUMBER 130-35 COR IS DULY PASSED BY THIS BODY ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER TAITANO CAN YOU PLEASE MOTION US TO RECESS TILL TOMORROW AT 2 P.M.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO MOTION US TO RECESS TO RECESS UNTIL 2:00 P.M. TOMORROW AFTER

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION WITHOUT AN OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE ARE IN RECESS RECESS.

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SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: GOOD AFTERNOON LADIES AND GENTLEMEN YOU *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS AT THIS TIME I'M GOING TO RECOGNIZE LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON YOU'RE RECOGNIZED

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVED TO GO BACK TO MOTIONS

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION WITHOUT ANY OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES PLEASE PROCEED SENATOR SHELTON

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVED TO PLACE BILL NUMBER 106-35 LS AS AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AIR TRANSPORTATION AND STATISTICS RESEARCH AND PLANNING AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION 12107 F N 12111A B D 12116 B C E OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO REMOVING THE DUTIES OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION AND THE GUAM EDUCATION BOARD TO ADD SECTION 12107 Z OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC AUDITOR TO SUPERVISE AUDITS TO AMEND SUBSECTION 12103 G 12 108 A 12111 OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR THE GUAM ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND APPEALS BOARD TO ADD SUBSECTION 12111 G AND H OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING RULES FOR THE CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL TO AMEND SUBSECTION 12 106 A AND SUBSECTION 12 1 1 6 F OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING DEADLINES TO ADD SUBSECTION 12116 G OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO PRIOR YEAR OBLIGATIONS AND REMAINING APPROPRIATED FUNDS ON THE SESSION AGENDA

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS SENATOR THERESE

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: MADAM SPEAKER IF I THINK IT'S BEEN AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE IT WASN'T AVAILABLE AND IT WAS

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: IT WAS NOTED AS AMENDED

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: SO MAYBE CAN WE GET COPIES I HAVEN'T MET I DIDN'T GET THAT YESTERDAY SO MAYBE IT'S AVAILABLE TODAY BUT OKAY SO IT'S AMENDED IT YEAH BECAUSE IT YET TITLE IS DIFFERENT

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: IT'S AS AMENDED ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES THE SERGEANT OF ARMS PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT THE AMENDED COPIES ARE WITH EACH OF OUR COLLEAGUES *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* AGAIN SENATOR SHELTON I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU FOR THE SECOND MOTION

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVED TO PLACE BILL NUMBER 107-35 LS AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION 12107 U 12113 A AND B 12114 A AND D AND TO ADD NEW SUBSECTION 12113 E 3 AND 12114 A 6 ALL OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO ACCREDITATION AND THE RENEWAL PERIOD FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS ACCREDITATION STATUS AND ALLEVIATING THE CAUSES OF PROBATION FOR THE SAME ON TO THE SESSION AGENDA

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES THANK YOU A LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY I'M GOING TO GO AHEAD AND ACKNOWLEDGE A SERGEANT OF ARMS PLEASE MAKE SURE THOSE BILLS ARE SET TO OUR COLLEAGUES I'M GOING TO ACKNOWLEDGE SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE FOR HIS MOTION

SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVED TO PLACE ON THE SESSION AGENDA FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY BOARD SAFETY MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS MAYOR'S COUNCIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC TRANSIT THE

NOMINATION OF EVELYN R DUENAS IS TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TERLAJE ON THAT MOTION IS ON THE TO PLACE THE NOMINATION OF EVELYN R. DUENAS TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON THIS SESSION AGENDA NO HEARING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TERLAJE AT THIS TIME ARE THERE ANY OTHER MOTION SENATOR JIM MOYLAN I RECOGNIZE YOU AT THIS TIME

SENATOR MOYLAN: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVED TO PLACE BILL NUMBER 57-35 COR AND ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION 12106 G OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE PROCESS OF APPROVING OR DENYING CHARTER SCHOOL PETITIONS ON SESSION AGENDA

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THE MOTION TO PLACE BILL NUMBER 57-35 COR ON THE SESSION AGENDA ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES IF THERE'S NO OTHER MOTIONS I'D LIKE TO ASK SENATOR KELLY MARSH TAITANO CAN YOU PLEASE ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER PLEASE TAKE US BACK TO THE LEGISLATIVE CONCURRENCE

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVED TO MOVE US BACK TO THE LEGISLATIVE CONCURRENCE

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION WITHOUT ANY OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES AT THIS TIME I WILL RECOGNIZE SENATOR JOSE PEDO TERLAJE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED AT THIS TIME.

SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PLACE IN THE VOTING FILE FROM THE COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC SAFETY BORDER SAFETY MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS MAYOR'S COUNCIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC TRANSIT THE NOMINATION OF EVELYN R DUENAS TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS WITH THE RECOMMENDATION TO DO CONFIRM.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: WITH THAT RECOMMENDATION TO DO CONFIRM ON THAT MOTION TO PLACE EVELYN R DUENAS TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON TO THE VOTING FILE HEARING NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES SENATOR KELLY MARSH ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER CAN YOU PLEASE BRING US BACK INTO SECOND READING PLEASE.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER NOTWITHSTANDING THE HOUSE RULES I MOVE THAT WE GO BACK TO THE SECOND READING FILE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: WITHOUT ANY OBJECTION *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TAITANO HEARING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE ARE NOW ON BILL NUMBER 106-35 LS LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY WHAT I APOLOGIZE SENATOR JOE SAN AGUSTIN DO YOU HAVE A POINT OF INQUIRY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES MADAM SPEAKER WE HAVE A COPIES OF THE BILLS BUT CAN WE GET A COPIES OF THE COMMITTEE REPORT JUST SO THAT WE CAN GO OVER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: WE'RE JUST GOING TO VERY VERY BRIEF RECESS TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY HAS COPIES AND THE COMMITTEE REPORTS ARE NOTED WE ARE IN RECESS FOR A COUPLE OF MINUTES.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS SENATOR SHELTON AND LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY YOU ARE RECOGNIZED SAY THAT AGAIN I APOLOGIZE PLEASE PROCEED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVED TO PLACE BILL 106-35 LS INTO THE THIRD READING FILE TO DISCUSS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR SHELTON CAN YOU READ AS AMENDED PLEASE.

SENATOR SHELTON: SURE OH YES BILL NUMBER 106-35 AS AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AIR TRANSPORTATION AND STATISTICS RESEARCH AND PLANNING.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* ON THE MOTION PLEASE PROCEED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER BILL NUMBER 106-35 LS IS AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION 12107 N 8 12111 A B D 1211 6 B C E OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO REMOVING THE DUTIES OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION IN THE GUAM EDUCATION BOARD TO ADD

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SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR SHELTON LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY ANYBODY ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION ANYBODY ON THE MOTION SENATOR TAITAGUE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER YOU KNOW WE DIDN'T RECEIVE THE REVISED BILL THE AMENDED BILL UNTIL LATER ON THIS AFTERNOON WHICH MAKES IT KIND OF DIFFICULT YOU KNOW WHERE WE'RE PUTTING THIS BILL ON THE FLOOR RIGHT AWAY TO SPEAK ON IT I BELIEVE THE AUTHOR IS NOT EVEN HERE TO SPEAK ON THE BILL BUT PLEASE DON'T GET ME WRONG I'M THE GREATEST FAN AND OPPONENT OF OF CHARTER SCHOOLS I REALLY BELIEVE THAT IT DOES WORK AND AND IT APPROVES IT LOOK AT THE TESTING SCORES THAT ARE COMING OUT OF THESE SCHOOLS YOU'RE FINDING OUT THAT MORE PARENTS ARE TAKING THEIR KIDS OUT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND PUTTING THEM IN THIS CHART IN CHARTER SCHOOLS SO I'M A GREAT FAN OF CHARTER SCHOOLS HOWEVER I KNOW AND I UNDERSTAND WHAT THE BILL DOES AND THE NEXT BILL THAT WE'RE GOING TO TALK ON BILL 107 THE INTENTION IT'S AGREED UPON MADAM SPEAKER WITH BOTH SIDES AGREEING THIS THE CHARTER SCHOOLS AS WELL AS THE SUPERINTENDENT AGREEING THAT THEY DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE FUNDING ISSUE WELL THAT BEING SAID MADAM SPEAKER I KIND OF THINK THIS BILL IS IS THE CART BEFORE THE HORSE IF WE'RE GOING TO MOVE AN AGENCY THAT OVERSEES THE CHARTER SCHOOLS EXPENDITURES IN SPENDING THEN WE NEED TO DO SO TO MAKE SURE THAT THE THAT SOMEONE IS IS PROPERLY SPENDING CORRECTLY THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS IS DONE CORRECTLY AND WHEN THE MONEY IS ISSUED TO THEM THAT IN THE EVENT THAT THE AMOUNT OF STUDENTS DECLINED IN IN IN NUMBERS THAT THE MONEY'S REVERTED BACK SEE DOE DOES THAT IF A CHARTER SCHOOL HAS LET'S SAY FOR AN EXAMPLE 200 STUDENTS BEFORE THEY START THE SCHOOL YEAR BUT FOR SOME REASON THEY ACTUALLY ENDED UP WITH ONLY A HUNDRED AND FIFTY STUDENTS SO THE MONEY THAT'S BEEN GIVEN TO THEM SEVEN THOUSAND PER STUDENT TWO HUNDRED TIMES TWO HUNDRED THEY'RE GIVEN THAT AMOUNT OF MONEY AND THEN FIND OUT LATER AND WHO MONITORS THAT WHO MONITORS HOW MANY STUDENTS ARE REALLY ENROLLED MADAM SPEAKER I KNOW THAT WHEN THIS WHEN CHARTER SCHOOLS CAME ABOUT THEY INCORPORATED A COUNCIL AND THIS COUNCIL WHICH THEY RECEIVE A STIPEND BUT THE WORK THEY DO IS VOLUNTEER AND WE'VE SEEN IN THE LAST FEW YEARS THAT THEY CAN'T EVEN MAKE QUORUM IN FACT MADAM SPEAKER IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN THEY DON'T EVEN HAVE A CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL TODAY THE PURPOSE OF THE COUNCIL THAT WAS PUT UP I THINK THE INTENTION I REMEMBER WHEN THIS THEY STARTED BRINGING CHARTER SCHOOLS INTO THE MIX AND CREATING THE COUNCIL AND CREATING THE APPEALS BOARD WHICH BY THE WAY HAS NEVER PUT BEEN PUT TOGETHER IT WAS MEANT FOR A COUNCIL THAT OVERSEES THE CHARTER SCHOOLS BUT UNFORTUNATELY IT HASN'T BEEN WORKING OUT THAT WAY BECAUSE THEY CAN'T EVEN MEET QUORUM SO MADAM SPEAKER I THINK WE NEED TO REALLY LOOK AT THIS OR OR MAKE SOME I'M HOPING SOME AMENDMENTS COME INTO PLAY HERE THAT WOULD ADDRESS MY BIGGEST CONCERN AND MY BIGGEST CONCERN IS YOU'RE TAKING IT AWAY FROM DOE AND PLACING IT WHERE THE PUBLIC AUDITOR ARE THEY THERE DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR ARE THERE THERE AT THE VERY BEGINNING WE NEED TO PUT SOMEONE IN PLACE FOR ACCOUNTABILITY PURPOSES TO OVERSEE THE CHARTER SCHOOLS TO ENSURE THEY'RE SPENDING

CORRECTLY TO ENSURE THAT THERE'S IF THERE'S ANY REIMBURSEMENT COMING BACK IT COMES BACK TO ENSURE THAT IF THERE IS AN INCREASE IN ENROLLMENT THAT THE MONEY GOES THERE THERE NEEDS TO BE SOMEBODY IN PLACE AND THAT MADAM SPEAKER SOUNDS LIKE IT NEEDS A COUNCIL THAT IS ACTUALLY SOMEBODY WHO'S A DIRECTOR WHO GETS PAID TO DO THAT THAT'S I THINK IT'S WHAT WE NEED AND IF THERE'S A WAY TO PUT THAT AMENDMENT IN THIS BUILD AND I'M FULL SUPPORT OF IT SO MADAM SPEAKER I'M JUST GONNA READ WHAT I WROTE HERE I'M PROBABLY GONNA REPEAT SOME OF IT BUT THAT'S OKAY I HOPE SO IN REVIEWING THE PUBLIC HEARING ON BILL 106 THERE WERE SEVERAL ISSUES RAISED THAT CONCERNED ME PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO THE ABILITY OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL TO APPROPRIATE TO PROPERLY MONITOR THE EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC FUNDS BY CHARTER SCHOOLS SHOULD DOE BE REMOVED FROM FROM THE PROCESS MADAM SPEAKER ACCORDING TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL CHAIRWOMAN WHO'S ACTUALLY NO LONGER CHAIR SHE HAD STEPPED DOWN IN JUNE BILL 106 FAILS TO HIGHLIGHT THE COUNCIL'S LACK OF RESOURCES WHICH IN TURN AFFECTS THE COUNCIL'S ABILITY TO FULLY PERFORM ITS DUTY AND RESPONSIBILITY AND SUPPORT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS THIS WAS HER TESTIMONY DURING BILL 106 DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING THIS WAS HER TESTIMONY WITH RESPECT TO JUNE 15TH DEADLINE REQUIRING THE CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL TO SUBMIT THE BUDGET OF EACH CHARTER SCHOOL TO THE LEGISLATURE ACCORDING TO THE TESTIMONY PROVIDED BY THE PUBLIC HEARING THESE PROVISIONS SHOULD BE MODIFIED TO ALLOW CHARTER SCHOOLS TO CARRY FORWARD UNUSED PER PUPIL ALLOTMENTS CONSIDERING ENROLLMENT CONTINUES THROUGH AUGUST OF EACH YEAR THAT'S WHAT I EXPLAINED EARLIER MADAM SPEAKER ANOTHER ISSUE RAISED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNED THE TERM APPROPRIATED BUDGET AND WHETHER THIS WORD PREVENT CHARTER SCHOOLS FROM ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS WITH VENDORS AND I BELIEVE THAT THE AMENDMENT ACTUALLY WAS MADE IN HERE TO ADDRESS THAT THAT CONCERN THE AMENDED VERSION OF BILL 106 ADDRESSES THAT YOU HAD THAT CONCERN BY APPROVED BUDGET INSTEAD SO THEY DID HEAR ATTORNEY TERLAJE'S A CONCERN WITH REGARDS TO THAT ALSO MATTERS SPEAKER THE AMENDED VERSION OF BILL 106 STATES THAT ALL REMAINING FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR MAY BE USED TO PAY PRIOR YEAR OBLIGATIONS WHICH IS DIFFERENT FROM THE INTRODUCED VERB VERSION OF BILL 106 WHICH READS ALL REMAINING FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS AT THE END OF FISCAL YEAR SHALL BE REVERTED BACK TO THE GENERAL FUND AND AND THIS IS SOMETHING I WANTED TO ASK THE SPONSOR OF THIS BILL WHY IS THAT WHAT WAS THE CHANGE WHAT WAS THE REASON FOR THAT WITHOUT LOSING MY PLACE MADAM SPEAKER ON HOLDING THE FLOOR.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I UNDERSTAND OKAY THANK YOU IS AN INQUIRY THANK YOU SENATOR TAITAGUE CAN YOU JUST REPEAT THE QUESTION WHAT.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SO THE QUESTION IS IN IN THE FIRST WITHOUT IT BEING AMENDED WHEN THE BILL WAS INTRODUCED BILL 106 IT SAID THAT ALL REMAINING FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL AT THE END OF FISCAL YEAR SHALL BE REVERTED BACK TO THE GENERAL FUND NOW THIS HAS BEEN COMMON PRACTICE HOWEVER WHEN THE AMENDED VERSION CAME UP THERE WAS A CHANGE A CHANGE HEART FOR SOME REASON I'D LIKE TO KNOW SINCE IT WAS AMENDED AND WE'RE VIEWING THIS NOW AS TO WHY THEY CHANGED IT AND IT IS NOW ALL REMAINING FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL AT THE END OF PHYSICAL MAY BE USED TO PAY PRIOR OBLIGATIONS AND MY QUESTION IS TO WHY THE CHANGE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR TAITAGUE WE OKAY WE'RE GONNA TAKE A MOMENT RECESS.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YOU I WILL ADDRESS SENATOR YES I UNDERSTAND BUT YOU HAD AN IT I'M SORRY *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS SENATOR TELO TAITAGUE DID HAVE THE FLOOR THERE WAS AN INQUIRY ON THAT AND MY QUESTION IS SENATOR SHELTON DO YOU HAVE WOULD YOU LIKE TO ANSWER THE QUESTION.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER WE ARE WORKING ON AN AMENDMENT NOW SO I'D LIKE TO MOVE TO SET THE BILL ASIDE AT THE MOMENT WHILE WE WORK ON IT CONTINUE ON TO BILL 107.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU AT THIS TIME.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER BILL 107-35 LS IS AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION 12 107 U 12113 A AND B 12 1 1 4 A AND D AND TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION 12113 E 3 AND 12 1 1 4 A 6 ALL OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO ACCREDITATION AND THE RENEWAL PERIOD FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS ACCREDITATION STATUS AND ALLEVIATING THE CAUSES OF PROBATION FOR THE SAME ACCREDITATION IS A CRUCIAL ELEMENT IN DETERMINING WHETHER AN INSTITUTION MEETS THE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY HOLD PLEASE.

SENATOR SHELTON: *DISPENSA YU.*

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YES.

SENATOR SHELTON: MAY I PLEASE MOVE BILL 107 TO THE THIRD READING FILE TO DISCUSS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY YOU CAN PROCEED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *DISPENSA* THANK YOU ACCREDITATION IS A CRUCIAL ELEMENT IN DETERMINING WHETHER AN INSTITUTION MEETS THE STANDARD OF QUALITY EDUCATION IT IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT FOR SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS TO BE ACCREDITED IN ORDER FOR STUDENTS TO HAVE ACCESS TO ANY COLLEGE IN THE UNITED STATES BILL 107-35 LS HIGHLIGHTS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GUAM ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL TO PLACE AN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL ON PROBATION OR REVOKE A CHARTER SCHOOLS CHARTER IF SAID CHARTER SCHOOL FAILS TO MEET A MINIMUM OF CANDIDACY STATUS TOWARDS ITS ACCREDITATION IT IS THE INTENT OF THIS BILL TO HOLD GUAM ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS ACCOUNTABLE FOR MAINTAINING A MINIMAL OF ACCREDITATION STATUS TO ENSURE OUR CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENTS HAVE ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *BUEN PRUBECHU* SENATOR SHELTON ON THE MAIN MOTION ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK SENATOR TELO TAITAGUE I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU THIS TIME.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER AND ONCE AGAIN I'M A GREAT ADVOCATE FOR THESE CHARTER SCHOOLS AND I'D LIKE TO SEE IT HAPPENED TO TO ALLOW THEM TO CONTINUE ON NOW MADAM SPEAKER THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE A BRIEF MARK ON BILL 107 WITH RESPECT TO EXTENDING THE PERIOD FOR A CHARTER SCHOOL TO ATTAIN ACCREDITATION FOR FROM FIVE YEARS TO SIX YEARS AND ACCORDING TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL CHAIRWOMAN TWO OF THREE CHARTER SCHOOLS HAVE RECEIVED NOTICE OF THEIR ACCREDIT ACCREDITATION STATUS WITHIN FIVE YEARS MOREOVER ILEARN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL OBTAIN ACCREDITATION WITHIN FIVE YEARS PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF THEIR CHARTER AND GUAHAN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL RECEIVED NOTIFICATION REGARDING THEIR FINAL DECISION FOR THEIR ACCREDITATION PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF THEIR CHARTER MADAM SPEAKER REGARDING THE POTENTIAL REVOCATION OF THE SCHOOL CHARTER TESTIMONY FROM ILEARN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL SUGGESTS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST BETWEEN SECTION 5 AND SECTION 6 OF BILL 107 SECTIONS 5 CHANGES THE TERM MAY - SHALL IN SECTION 1 - 114 A OF 17 GCA AUTHORIZING THE CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL TO DECIDE WHETHER TO PLACE A CHARTER SCHOOL ON PROBATION OR TO REVOKE ITS CHARTER THUS NEGATING THE FOLLOWING SECTION 6 OF THE BILL WHICH REQUIRES THE CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL TO PLACE AFFECTED CHARTER SCHOOL ON PROBATION WHICH THE COUNCIL DECIDE IN THE FIRST PLACE TO REVOKE THE CHARTER OF THAT SCHOOL SO MADAM MADAM SPEAKER I I YOU TO THE SPONSOR AND PERHAPS LEGAL COUNSEL TO ADDRESS THIS POTENTIAL CONFLICT BETWEEN SECTION 5 & 6 OF THE BILL TAKE A SHORT RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: WE WILL TAKE A MOMENT'S RECESS.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS I KNOW THAT SENATOR TELO HAD AN INQUIRY SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON SENATOR TELO DID EVERYTHING MEET YOUR SATISFACTION.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: YES MADAM SPEAKER THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY AND TO EVEN CONSULT WITH LEGAL WITH REGARDS TO THIS CONFLICT IN SECTION FIVE AND THEN AGAIN IN SUCH SECTION SIX AND AFTER SPEAKING WITH LEGAL MADAM SPEAKER I'D LIKE TO MAKE A AMENDMENT JUST A SLIGHT AMENDMENT IN SECTION SIX WHERE IT STRIKES OUT MAY AN UNDERLINE SHALL MY AMENDMENT IS SIMPLY TO STRIKE OUT SHALL AND MAINTAIN MAY AND THIS WAY MADAM SPEAKER THERE IS REAL NO CONFLICT IN IN SECTION FIVE AND SIX HOWEVER IN SECTION FIVE YOU KNOW THE COUNCIL SHALL PLACE AN ACADEMY SCHOOL ON PROBATION OR REVOKE THERE SO THERE'S AN OPTION BETWEEN THE TWO AND BUT IN SECTION SIX BY SAYING THE COUNCIL MAY PLACE ACADEMY CHARTER ON PROBATION RATHER THAN REVOKE ITS CHARTER IT STILL GIVES THEM THE OP THE THE ABILITY TO RATHER THAN MAKING IT YOU KNOW SHALL IT HAS TO SO MY AMENDMENT IS JUST SIMPLY MADAM SPEAKER IS TO AGAIN STRIKEOUT SHALL AND AND INCORPORATE ME IN SECTION SIX LETTER D.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT AMENDMENT ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK HEARING NO OBJECTIONS.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I'M DONE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YOU'RE VERY WELCOME ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION SENATOR WIL CASTRO YOU'RE RECOGNIZED I APOLOGIZE THANK YOU SENATOR WIL ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH TAITANO YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER THIS IS JUST A SMALL GRAMMATICAL CORRECTION ON PAGE TWO ON LINE 21 IN ORDER FOR THE SENTENCE AND THE INTENTION TO MAKE SENSE I WOULD AMEND AND RECOMMEND PUTTING THE IF AFTER BACK IN SO ON LINE 21 IF AFTER NO MORE THAN 180 DAYS SAID PLAN IS UNSUCCESSFUL IN REMEDYING THE PROBLEM OR ALLEVIATING THE CAUSES OF THE PROBATION OR SUCH LONGER PERIOD AS THE COUNCIL MAY SPECIFY SAID PLAN IS UNSUCCESSFUL THEN THEN THEY CAN GET TO REVOKING THE CHARTER BUT IT DOESN'T REALLY MAKE GRAMMATICAL SENSE IF IT JUST THE SENTENCE STARTS OFF WITH NO MORE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: DID YOU WANT TO OR PROPOSE.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): YES SO I JUST PROPOSED PUTTING UNSTRIKING THE IF AFTER AND JUST HAVING THAT BE LEFT IN AND AMENDING IT.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON ON THE MOTION IF EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS IT CLEARLY IT'S JUST TO LIFT THE STRIKETHROUGH IF AFTER 90 DAYS AND THEN IT SAYS NO MORE THAN 180 WHICH IS THE THE ADDED AMENDMENT SO IT IS TO LIFT THE STRIKETHROUGH ON PAGE 2 LINE 21 ON THAT AMENDMENT ARE THERE ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM SPEAKER SO IT'LL SAY IF AFTER NO MORE THAN 180 DAYS THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE SAYING RIGHT THAT'S THE AMENDMENT I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT'S CLEAR.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: IF AFTER NO MORE THAN A 180 DAYS.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: OKAY THANK YOU MA'AM.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: OR A SAID PLAN IS UNSUCCESSFUL ON THAT AMENDMENT ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION SENATOR WIL CASTRO YOU'RE WAY RECOGNIZED ON THE MAIN MOTION THANK YOU.

SENATOR CASTRO: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I WANT TO RISE IN SUPPORT OF THE BILL AND I WANT TO COMMEND THE AUTHOR'S MOST OFTEN THAN NOT I CHOOSE NOT TO SPEAK ON A BILL AND MOST OF THE THE CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTAINED IN THE BILL BECAUSE MOST OF THE TIME IN OUR DELIBERATIONS YOU KNOW WE SEEM TO HAVE A COMMON UNDERSTANDING BUT I FEEL IT NECESSARY TO RISE IN SUPPORT AND VERBALIZE MY POSITION BECAUSE LAST TERM WE SAW ONE OR MORE ENTITIES STRUGGLING WITH THE PROCESSES THAT ARE ASSOCIATED WITH ATTAINING ACCREDITATION AND IN MY HUMBLE OPINION AS AN EDUCATOR YOU KNOW IT WAS QUITE CONCERNING AND AND TROUBLING FOR ME BECAUSE THE SPIRIT OF ACCREDITATION MADAM SPEAKER IS A PROCESS OF CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT IT'S A PROCESS OF CONTINUED CHANGES TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN OR TO INSTRUCTIONAL PROCESSES OR TO YOUR FINANCE AND OPERATIONS AND IF WE DON'T GIVE THE ENTITY THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THESE IMPROVEMENTS WE'RE REALLY NOT GIVING THEM THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT THEY'RE TRYING TO COME INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THE ACCREDITING BODY STANDARDS AND AND I COULD SPEAK FIRSHTHAND TO THAT BECAUSE I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE REGION THAT WAS ON PROBATION FOR WELL OVER SEVEN YEARS AND AND THE YEAR THAT I WAS PRIOR TO MY EMPLOYMENT AT THAT ONE INSTITUTION MADAM SPEAKER THEY WERE PLACED ON SHOW CAUSE AND SUFFICE IT TO SAY IN LESS THAN A YEAR AFTER THAT APPOINTMENT WITH A VERY EFFECTIVE TEAM WE WERE ABLE TO ATTAIN FULL ACCREDITATION WITHOUT ANY SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND SO MADAM SPEAKER MY POINT WOULD BE SIMPLY THAT OF AN ENTITY CAN SHOW GOOD FAITH EFFORT AT ATTEMPTING TO MEET THE STANDARDS OF ACCREDITATION WHICH IS A PROCESS OF CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT I SEE NO GROUND FOR THE REVOCATION OF THEIR CHARTER AND SO I THANK AND COMMENDATION I RISE IN COMMENDATION AND IN SUPPORT OF BILL 107 SPECIAL THANKS TO ALSO A FELLOW EDUCATOR SENATORS TELENA NELSON CO-SPONSORED BY AMANDA SHELTON SENATOR MY COLLEAGUE AND FRIEND JOE SAN AGUSTIN AND JAMES CAMACHO MOYLAN THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR CASTRO ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION IF NOT SENATOR SHELTON WOULD YOU LIKE TO CLOSE.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I'D LIKE TO THANK OUR COLLEAGUES FOR THE DISCUSSION AND FOR THE AMENDMENTS MADE TO THE BILL AND FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND I'D LIKE TO MOVE BILL 107 TO THE VOTING FILE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: 107-35 LS.

SENATOR SHELTON: YES 107-35 LS TO THE VOTING FILE MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION WITHOUT ANY OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES SENATOR SHELTON YOU KNOW WE ARE WE STILL IN IN FOR BILL 106 YOU STILL SET ASIDE OKAY SENATOR JIM MOYLAN ON BILL NUMBERS 57-35.

SENATOR MOYLAN: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I'D LIKE TO MOVE 57-35 COR INTO THIRD READING.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: AND YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS.

SENATOR MOYLAN: AND MOVE TO DISCUSS PLEASE THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: PLEASE PROCEED.

SENATOR MOYLAN: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I'VE INTRODUCED BILL 57 35 WHICH SEEKS TO LIFT THE THREE SCHOOL LIMIT ON THE NUMBER OF CHARTER SCHOOLS THAT CAN BE ESTABLISHED AND FACILITIES NOT CURRENTLY OWNED BY A DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CHARTER SCHOOLS WILL STILL BE CAPPED AT SEVEN BUT THIS BILL WOULD ALSO ALLOW EDUCATORS WHO HAVE THEIR OWN FACILITY TO ESTABLISH A CHARTER SCHOOL IN THEIR NON GDOE FACILITY AS LONG AS THEY MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF A CHARTER SCHOOL LICENSE WHAT THE BILL INTENDED TO DO WAS UPDATE THE POLICY THAT MADE IT VERY DIFFICULT FOR NEW CHARTER SCHOOLS TO BE ESTABLISHED BILL 57 REMOVES THE PROVISION THAT SAYS THERE HAS TO BE A CONVERSION FROM A PUBLIC SCHOOL TO A CHARTER SCHOOL THEREFORE OPENING UP THE POSSIBILITY FOR OTHER CHARTER SCHOOLS TO EMERGE IF THEY DO NOT WANT TO DO SO ESPECIALLY IF IT OPENS UP EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES SO I ASK MY COLLEAGUES I URGE YOU TO PASS THIS BILL SO WE CAN OPEN UP EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR YOUNG STUDENTS I THINK THIS IS A TIMELY MATTER AND IT IS A GOOD START FOR OUR KIDS THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR MOYLAN ON THE MAIN MOTION ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK SENATOR JOE SAN AGUSTIN I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU THIS TIME.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER IF THE AUTHOR WOULD YIELD TO A QUESTION.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: GO AHEAD AND STATE THE QUESTION.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THE ONLY QUESTION I HAVE IS I HAVE NO OBJECTION TO THE BILL BUT WHAT MY CONCERN IS THAT LAST YEAR THE CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL GAVE A CONDITIONAL APPROVAL OF A CHARTER SCHOOL I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING THAT IF THIS BILL PASSES IT DOESN'T GRANT THE CONDITIONAL THE APPROVAL SHOULD BE FROM THE COUNCIL A FINAL APPROVAL NOT CONDITIONAL BECAUSE THE WAY THE LAW EXISTS IS THAT YOU KNOW YOU SUBMIT YOUR PETITION AND SO FORTH AND SO FORTH AND I DON'T KNOW IF THE CONDITIONAL APPROVAL HAS AN EXPIRATION WHEN THEY WERE GRANTED LAST YEAR OKAY I'M JUST CURIOUS IF IF THIS BILL'S INTENT IS TO TO GRANT THE CONDITIONAL APPROVAL AND APPROVAL WHEN IT DOESN'T READ THAT BUT I'M IN SUPPORT OF THE INTENT OF THE BILL OKAY.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR MOYLAN WOULD YOU LIKE TO ANSWER HIS INQUIRY BASED ON THAT.

SENATOR MOYLAN: YES THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER THE INTENT OF THE BILL WILL BASICALLY IN REPLY TO THE QUESTION THE FACILITY STILL MUST MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL LICENSE THE INTENT OF THE BILL IS JUST STRICTLY TO REMOVE THE CAP ON THE NON DOE FACILITY THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN TO SET OUT FOR YOUR INQUIRY.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: YES MA'AM THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION SENATOR WIL CASTRO YOU'RE RECOGNIZED SENATOR MARSH HE LIKE TO YOU TO YOU FIRST THANK YOU SENATOR CASTRO SENATOR TAITANO YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): TAITANO.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: MARSH TAITANO YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I HAVE AN AMENDMENT FOR THIS BILL THE AMENDMENT WOULD BE ON SECTION 2 OF SECTION 1 2 1 0 6 G SPECIFICALLY PAGE 2 AT THE END OF LINE 17 TO ADD AN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICANT SHALL FIRST VALIDATE WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT IN WRITING THAT NO AVAILABLE OR SUITABLE FACILITY EXISTS WITHIN THE

PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM IN DETERMINING A NON CONVERTED PUBLIC SCHOOL APPLICATION I PUT FORTH THIS AMENDMENT BECAUSE IN THIS PROCESS IT SEEMED THAT AS WE MOVE FORWARD AND IN LONG TERM THINKING THAT IT OPENS UP POSSIBILITIES WHERE WE MAY HAVE UTILITIES OUR EXCUSE ME OF FACILITIES BEING UNDERUTILIZED AND SO IN THE BIG PICTURE IT'S IMPORTANT I THINK TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE IS NOTHING SUITABLE THERE IS NOTHING AVAILABLE BEFORE GOING OUT AND SEEKING OTHER FACILITIES AND POTENTIALLY CREATING A SITUATION WHERE SOMETHING HAS BEEN UNDERUTILIZED OR SOMETHING IS REMAINING FALLOW ONE OF THE EXAMPLES THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS GIVEN THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL PARTIAL CONVERSIONS IN THE PAST OR SOMETHING ALONG THOSE LINES AND THEY FOUND THEY FOUND IT AT LEAST IN THEIR OWN ASSESSMENT TO BE VERY GOOD USAGE AND A MORE FULL USAGE OF THAT FACILITY SO IN FOLLOWING THAT DISCUSSION THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SEEN IN LONG TERM THINKING THAT THERE COULD BE A SITUATION WHERE THERE IS UNDER UTILIZATION OF FACILITIES OR FACILITIES EVENTUALLY NOT BEING UTILIZED WHILE PEOPLE INSTEAD SET UP NEW CHARTER SCHOOLS ELSEWHERE IT SEEMED IMPORTANT TO BE ABLE TO AT LEAST HAVE IT LOOKED AT IN A DILIGENT MANNER BY THE CHARTER SCHOOL AND THE SUPERINTENDENT OF GDOE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR MARSH TAITANO SENATOR CASTRO.

SENATOR CASTRO: IT'S A POINT INQUIRY FOR THE FOR THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER ON THE INTENT OF THE AMENDMENT.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SO SO SENATOR CAN YOU RESTATE YOUR.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): YES SO I AM PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THIS BILL.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: RIGHT AND ON THE AMENDMENT YOU I RECOGNIZE THAT THANK YOU SENATOR CASTRO ON THE AMENDMENT.

SENATOR CASTRO: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER THE QUESTION IS FOR THE FOR THE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YES GO AHEAD AND STATE YOUR QUESTION.

SENATOR CASTRO: THANK YOU THANK YOU MADAM SO SENATOR IF YOU WILL JUST CLARIFY FOR ME I'M NOT NECESSARILY RISING AN OBJECTION TO YOUR PROPOSED AMENDMENT IS THE AMENDMENT IS YOUR INTENT TO HAVE THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONVERTING AN EXISTING SCHOOL OR THE CONVERSION OF ANY FACILITY SUCH AS A FACILITY THAT MAY BE OCCUPIED BY IT THAT SERVES AN ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTION.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR TAITANO WOULD YOU LIKE TO ANSWER THAT QUESTION.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): CERTAINLY AND IT IS A GOOD QUESTION BECAUSE WE HAVE SEEN RECENTLY THAT OTHER FACILITIES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED FOR USAGE FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES SO THIS IS WRITTEN MORE GENERALLY THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT COULD LOOK AT THE BREADTH OF ITS FACILITIES AND SEE IF THERE IS SOMETHING THAT EXISTS THAT COULD BE UTILIZED AND CONVERTED INTO A CHARTER SCHOOL SO IF THAT'S ANSWER ENOUGH IT'S IT'S LEFT MORE GENERAL SO THAT IT COULD BE A PUBLIC SCHOOL ITSELF BUT IT COULD BE ONE OF THE OTHER ASSOCIATED FACILITIES WITHIN THE GDOE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR TAITANO SENATOR CASTRO DOES THAT SUFFICE.

SENATOR CASTRO: I THINK IT'S A LEGITIMATE STATEMENT AND ON A LEGITIMATE AMENDMENT BUT I RISE IN OBJECTS INTO THAT IF THAT'S IN FACT THE INTENT AND PERHAPS I CAN REDIRECT MY QUESTION TO THE FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ONE OF OUR COLLEAGUES IT'S MY OPINION MADAM SPEAKER THAT THIS PARTICULAR PROVISION IN THE LAW THAT READS AS FOLLOWS THAT THE SENATOR MOYLAN IS ATTEMPTING TO STRIKE OUT HERE IS THE I'LL READ FROM LINE 16 AND 17 IF YOU WANT TO FOLLOW ALONG IT READS AS FOLLOWS QUOTE NO MORE THAN THREE NON CONVERTED PUBLIC SCHOOLS SHALL BE AUTHORIZED IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING MADAM SPEAKER THAT THAT PARTICULAR STATEMENT WAS INCLUDED SO THAT IN THE EVENT THERE WAS A LOW PERFORMING SCHOOL A PERSISTENT LOW PERFORMING SCHOOL IN THE EVENT THAT THERE WAS A SCHOOL THAT WAS A HIGH RISK IF YOU WILL NOT THAT NOT THE DISTRICT BUT THE SCHOOL THAT WAS AT HIGH RISK FOR LET'S SAY PERSISTENT SAFETY ISSUES OR ISSUES OF HEALTH OR LIFE OR EVEN SANITATION AS AN EXAMPLE MADAM SPEAKER THAT THERE WOULD BE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR BODY A MANAGEMENT TEAM OR A CHARTERED ENTITY TO COME IN AND QUOTE UNQUOTE CONVERT THAT SCHOOL FROM A PUBLIC SCHOOL AND I'LL GIVE A LOOSE EXAMPLE IT'S PROBABLY A TERRIBLE EXAMPLE SO THIS IS JUST FOR PURPOSES OF ILLUSTRATION LET'S SAY FOR EXAMPLE CARVE A LITTLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WHICH IS A GREAT SCHOOL IN MY VILLAGE BUT LET'S SAY THERE WERE A PERSISTENT LOW PERFORMING SCHOOL FIRST

YEAR THREE THIRD YEAR FIFTH YEAR AND THEN IT WAS DEEMED BY THE BOARD AND/OR THE SUPERINTENDENT THAT THEY SHOULD BE UP THEY WERE CANDIDATE FOR CONVERSION TO A CHARTER ENTITY RIGHT THAT WOULD BE A TURNAROUND STRATEGY THAT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING OF THE SPIRIT OF THE LAW WHEN THE SPECIFIC PROVISION WAS INCLUDED AND AND AND BECAME STATUTE BUT I COULD BE WRONG AND SO I DON'T KNOW MY COLLEAGUES SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN HE MIGHT HAVE A GREATER INSIGHT BUT IF THAT WAS THE INTENT AS I HAD JUST EXPLAINED THEN I SUPPORT SENATOR MOYLAN'S FOR YOU BECAUSE I HAVEN'T SEEN AS A MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD OR I HAVEN'T SEEN IT STATED OVER AND OVER AGAIN THAT ONE OR MORE SCHOOLS ARE PERSISTENTLY LOW-PERFORMING THAT IT REQUIRED THEM TO BE CONVERTED SO THAT WOULD BE THAT WOULD BE A BASIS UPON WHICH I SUPPORT SENATOR MOYLAN'S BILL AND I THINK THAT WE CAN REACH A HAPPY MEDIUM AND I'M SPEAKER ON PREVIOUS SPEAKERS CONCERN ABOUT THE UTILIZATION OF EXISTING DEAL WE SPACES SO WE CAN MAXIMIZE THOSE FACILITIES BUT I DIDN'T WANT TO MAKE THAT A CONDITION OF APPROVAL GOING FORWARD FOR OTHER CHARTER SCHOOLS THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR CASTRO SENATORS SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN WE'LL TAKE A MOMENT RECESS.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS WE LAST LEFT OFF WITH SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN ON AN INQUIRY BY SENATOR CASTRO SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN DO YOU WISH TO ANSWER.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: A MADAM SPEAKER WHEN I WAS WITH THE BOARD OF EDUCATION WHEN THIS BILL WAS INTRODUCED THAT NO MORE THAN THREE NON CONVERTED PUBLIC SCHOOLS SHALL BE AUTHORIZED BACK THEN THE INTENT WAS BECAUSE THE THE CHARTER SCHOOL CONCEPT WAS NEW THEY DIDN'T WANNA HAVE A RUNAWAY OF APPLICANTS OF CHARTER SCHOOLS THAT WAS THE INTENT TO RESTRICT IT NOW WE HAVE FOUND AND THEN BACK THEN THE POPULATION OF DOE WAS 33,000 PLUS TODAY THE POPULATION TODAY IS 29 AND GOING DOWN WERE THE STUDENTS GOING OUT OF ISLAND OR ARE THEY GOING TO CHARGE SCHOOLS OR THEY GOING TO PRIVATE SCHOOLS SO ACTUALLY LIFTING IT AND REMOVING THE THE THE NO MORE THAN THREE CONVERSION I HAVE NO PROBLEM OF THAT ONE NOW THE ISSUE ON THE ACADEMY THE CHARTER SCHOOL FIRST BACK GETTING VALIDATION ON SUPER TEN IN WRITING IT'S KIND OF LIKE LEAVING THE SUPERINTENDENT AGAIN IN CHARGE OF DETERMINING WHAT SCHOOL CAN BE CONVERTED AND I THINK THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT THE OVERSIGHT CHAIR SHOULD BE LOOKING AT IT'S TO DETERMINE EXACTLY WHAT SENATOR CASTRO BROUGHT UP AND I'M NOT GONNA SAY ANY OF OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE LOW LOW PERFORMING SCHOOLS BUT MAYBE I WOULD BELIEVE OUR OVERSIGHT CHAIR HAS BEEN LOOKING INTO IT IS TO DETERMINE IF THE SCHOOLS THAT EXIST TODAY THAT HAS OR DOES NOT HAVE THE POPULATION OF THE WAY THE SCHOOL WAS BUILT NEEDS TO BE CONVERTED AND SCHOOLS NEED TO BE MERGED AND I'LL GIVE YOU A VERY GOOD EXAMPLE MADAM SPEAKER IF YOU LOOK AT SOUTHERN HIGH WAS BUILT WITH THREE FOR 3,000 STUDENTS IT HAS HALF OF THAT POPULATION THERE'S THEY COULD THEY COULD ACTUALLY ADD A SCHOOL INTO THAT SCHOOL WITHOUT A PROBLEM IT REDUCE THE COST OF RUNNING ON ANOTHER SCHOOL BY MERGING THEM TOGETHER BECAUSE NO MATTER WHAT WE STILL HAVE TO PAY FOR THE POWER THE MAINTENANCE OF THE BUILDING A SOUTHERN IS A VERY GOOD EXAMPLE OR NO DIFFERENT AS THEY BRING UP CHIEF BRODY AND I USE THEM AN EXAMPLE THEY WANT TO CONVERT THAT TO MIDDLE SCHOOL THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WAS LOOKED AT MANY YEARS AGO AND WHY IS BECAUSE THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN IN THEIR SCHOOL WAS SIX HUNDRED IT'S DOWN TO TWO HUNDRED OR UNDER THREE SO THAT'S WHY THAT'S BEING CONSIDERED BUT IN REFERENCE TO THIS TO ASK THE SUPERINTENDENT I HAVE TO HAVE RESERVATION TO ASK HIM WHEN HE SHOULD BE REPORTING TO THE LEGISLATURE WHEN WE ARE SITTING IN THE BUDGET WHERE IS HE GONNA START IDENTIFYING THE THE DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENTS AND WHERE THEY GO THROUGHOUT THE ISLAND BECAUSE WE CAN'T CONTINUE PAYING FOR A SCHOOL THAT'S UNDERUTILIZED THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR SO NOW SENATOR WILL DOES THAT ADDRESS YOUR YES YOU HAD THE FLOOR ON THE INQUIRY.

SENATOR CASTRO: YES THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AND SO JUST TO BE CLEAR THE AMENDMENT AS WHICH AND I STAND I RISE IN OBJECTION TO THE AMENDMENT.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: AN AN OBJECTION THANK YOU THERE'S BEEN AN OBJECTION ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN AMENDMENT ON THE SENATOR MARSH TAITANO AMENDMENT IF SENATOR MOLYAN I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU SENATOR TAITANO I WILL LET SENATOR MOLYAN SPEAK FIRST YOU MAY SIT SENATOR MOYLAN PLEASE PROCEED THANK YOU.

SENATOR MOYLAN: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I THANK MY COLLEAGUE FOR THE AMENDMENT I JUST LIKE TO CLARIFY THAT THE LEGISLATION THIS BILL 57 HERE IS THE PURPOSE WAS TO STREAMLINE THE ACT THE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR A NEW OR A CONVERTED ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL ON THE ISLAND BY ALLOWING THE APPLICANT TO APPLY FOR FOR EITHER OPTION SO IF THE ENTITY IS ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH THE REQUIREMENTS OUTLINED BY THE CONVERTED SCHOOLS THEN THEY MAY BE ABLE TO APPLY UNDER THAT LICENSE OTHERWISE THE ENTITY CAN APPLY AS A NEW SCHOOL AND INVEST IN ITS INFRASTRUCTURE THE AMENDMENT WHICH I OBJECT TO IS BASICALLY WHERE WE'RE REQUIRING THE SUPERINTENDENT THEN TO VALIDATE FIRST WITH THE CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICANTS AND WE'RE UNDERSTANDING FROM OUR PUBLIC AREAS THAT PRETTY MUCH THAT GDOE WANTS TO MOVE AWAY FROM OVERSEEING OUR CHARTER SCHOOLS AND DOESN'T NECESSARILY WANT MORE THINGS TO DO WITH THE CHARTER SCHOOL BECAUSE THEY'RE BUSY AND DOING WHAT THEY HAVE TO DO WITH THEIR OWN WITH THEIR OWN SCHOOL SO AS I SEE THIS AMENDMENT I LOOK AT IT AS JUST MORE RED TAPE THAT WE'RE REQUIRING A CHARTER SCHOOL TO GO THROUGH SO IT DOESN'T IT DOESN'T REALLY HELP OUR CHARTER SCHOOL GOES WITH WHAT WE WANT TO DO WITH THE WITH THE BILL THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR MOYLAN ANYONE ELSE ON THE AMENDMENT IF NOT SENATOR MARSH TAITANO YOU MAY CLOSE.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* WELL I HAVE TWO PARTS HERE ONE IS WE ARE ELECTED HERE TO THINK OF THE BIGGER PICTURE AND IN THAT BIGGER PICTURE IT IS THINKING LONG-TERM AND IT IS THINKING BEYOND SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WERE JUST OUTLINED THIS AMENDMENT IS LOOKING FOR A MECHANISM THAT PROVIDES FLEXIBILITY BUT ALSO DUE DILIGENCE WE JUST HEARD FROM A FORMER SENATOR FROM YIGO THAT THERE ARE SCHOOLS OUT THERE THAT ARE UNDERUTILIZED AND IN TOURING THOSE FACILITIES AT AN EARLIER DATE THIS YEAR WE HEARD SOME REALLY TROUBLING NEWS ABOUT HOW THE MAINTENANCE OF THOSE FACILITIES BECAUSE THEY ARE BEING UNDERUTILIZED AND THEY ARE SO LARGE THAT THEY ARE FALLING IN DISREPAIR SO I DO NOT THINK THAT IS DUE DILIGENCE IN TAKING CARE OF OUR GOVERNMENT FACILITIES I DO NOT THINK THAT IS DUE DILIGENCE IN MAXIMIZING THE POTENTIAL BUT INSTEAD LETTING THAT FALL TO DISREPAIR AND HAVING PARTS OF THOSE FACILITIES THAT ARE NOT BEING UTILIZED WHATSOEVER I DO AND I MAY NEED TO DO THIS SEPARATELY UPON DISCUSSION DURING RECESS WITH OTHERS I AM PROPOSING TO PUT AN AMENDMENT TO MY AMENDMENT TO SAY THAT THEY WOULD VALIDATE WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT OR BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE MORE FLEXIBILITY BUT I DO THINK THAT THAT DUE DILIGENCE IS NECESSARY RATHER THAN JUST LETTING SOME SCHOOLS SIT PARTIALLY FALLOW OR FALLOW OR CRUMBLE OR BE IN DISREPAIR AND AND NOT SERVE THE COMMUNITY AT ALL BUT RATHER BECOME A BURDEN TO THE COMMUNITY WHILE WE RUSH OUT POTENTIALLY TO BE SEEKING NEW FACILITIES TO ME THAT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE IN THE BIGGER PICTURE WHEN WE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE AS SENATORS LOOKING AT THAT BIGGER PICTURE OF MAXIMIZING OUR FACILITIES AND TAKING CARE OF OUR COMMUNITY'S NEEDS RATHER THAN LETTING THINGS POTENTIALLY FALL FALLOW OR BE UNDERUTILIZED SO I DON'T KNOW IF THAT NEEDS TO BE PROPOSED SEPARATELY TO ADD IN OR BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE A LITTLE MORE FLEXIBILITY AND MORE FLEXIBILITY IN THAT PROCESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR TAITANO DO YOU NEED A LITTLE TIME TO WORK WITH THAT PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IT WILL THAT HELP YOU IF SO I WILL GRANT A RECESS.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): WELL IT'S FOUR WORDS SO I CAN TYPE IN THOSE FOUR WORDS IF THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE CALLING FOR.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I WILL GO AT AT THIS TIME I'M GONNA TAKE A MINUTE RECESS.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH TAITANO: OKAY.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS BEFORE I GIVE THE FLOOR BACK TO ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER I LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PRESENCE OF THE GOOD SPEAKER A FORMER SPEAKER SPEAKER JUDITH WONPAT THANK YOU FOR JOINING US AND NOTE THAT YOUR WELCOME TO THE INTO THE BODY OF THE SESSION FLOOR FOR THE DURATION OF ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER I WILL ACKNOWLEDGE YOU AT THIS TIME.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO RECESS UNTIL 10:30 A.M. TOMORROW.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION WITHOUT ANY OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES.

RECESS.

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SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS *MANANA SI YU'OS* TO ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES HERE THIS MORNING I WILL NOTE FOR THE RECORD THANK YOU SPEAKER JUDY WONPAT IS IN THE HOUSE *MANANA SI YU'OS* THANK YOU FOR JOINING US LADIES AND GENTLEMEN COLLEAGUES I I WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU THAT THIS MORNING WE HAVE THE PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE MEMBERS WHO ARE WILL BE AUDITING AND OBSERVING TODAY'S SESSION AND ALSO FROM THE DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM I UNDERSTAND THERE'S 18 18 INTERNS THAT HAVE BEEN WITH THE DISTRICT COURT AND GOING THROUGH LEARNING PROCESSES AND TODAY IS ABOUT THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH SO THEY'RE UP IN THE BALCONY AND THEY WILL BE OBSERVING US THIS MORNING ON THE FLOOR SO *SI YU'OS MA'ÅSE'* TO ALL THE INTERNS UP THERE THANK YOU FOR AGAIN GIVING YOUR TIME TO TRULY GET A HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE TODAY LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WHEN WE LAST LEFT AS COLLEAGUES WHEN WE LAST LEFT WE WERE ON AMENDMENT BY ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH TAITANO WHO DID HER CLOSING BUT I HAD AN IMPOSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT I WILL ALSO NOTE FOR THE RECORD THAT THERE WAS AN OBJECTION AND AT THIS TIME I WILL GIVE YOU THAT OPPORTUNITY WILL YOU SUBMIT TO THE AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT RIGHT NOW.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER IN CONFERRING WITH MY COLLEAGUES WE HAD FURTHER ADDED SOME DISCUSSION TO IT SO I THINK IT'S PRUDENT TO GO AHEAD AND WITHDRAW THAT FIRST AMENDMENT AND THEN I HAVE THEM PRINTING AND DISSEMINATING THE THE UPDATED AMENDMENTS SO I WITHDRAW THE INITIAL ONE AND THEN I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE AMENDED VERSION.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION TO WITHDRAW SENATOR MARSH TITLES AMENDMENT AS DISCUSSED LAST NIGHT HEARING NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES SENATOR MARSH TAITANO YOU STILL I'LL STILL GIVE YOU THE FLOOR YOU DO HAVE SOME TIME LEFT TO DO THE SECOND AMENDMENT BUT IN THE MEANTIME IS THERE ANYONE ELSE WISHING TO SPEAK ON THE MAIN MOTION IF NOT SET WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND TAKE A MOMENTS RECESS JUST SO THAT WE CAN GET COPIES OF THE NEW AMENDMENTS TO THE BODY.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARCH TAITANO YOU'RE RECOGNIZED ON YOUR NEW AMENDMENT AND THEN AFTER YOU I HAVE SENATOR CASTRO ON THE MAIN MOTION.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I PROPOSED TO AMEND SECTION 2 OF THE BILL TO READ SECTION 2 SECTIONS 12 106 G OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 IS HEREBY AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS G THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS OPERATING ON GUAM UNDER THIS CHAPTER AT ANY ONE TIME SHALL NOT EXCEED SEVEN BUT THE AT LEAST TWO ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS SHALL BE AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AT LEAST ONE SHALL BE A MIDDLE SCHOOL AT LEAST ONE SHALL BE A HIGH SCHOOL SO THAT CONTINUES THE AMENDMENT IS TO ADD ON TO THAT AN ACADEMY EXISTS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT BEFORE THE APPLICANT SUBMITS ITS APPLICATION TO THE COUNCIL IF A RESPONSE IS NOT PROVIDED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE REQUEST THE APPLICANT MAY SUBMIT ITS APPLICATION WITHOUT SAID DETERMINATION OF THE COUNCIL SO VERY SIMILAR TO THE AMENDMENT BUT PROVIDING MORE FLEXIBILITY PROVIDING A SUNSET CLAUSE SO THAT WE'RE NOT HOLDING UP THE PROCESS IN FACT I THINK WE'RE STRENGTHENING THE APPLICATION BY HAVING A PROCESS LIKE THIS IN PLACE AS LEGISLATORS WE ARE HERE TO DO LONG-TERM THINKING WE ARE HERE TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR GOVERNMENT IS AS FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE AS POSSIBLE WE ARE HERE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE UTILIZING

OUR RESOURCES AND NOT UNDER UTILIZING THEM OR LETTING THEM FALL IN DISREPAIR BECAUSE THEY ARE BEING UNDERUTILIZED THIS ALLOWS AT LEAST THE CHECKING IN THE DUE DILIGENCE WITH OUR FACILITIES SET UP FOR EDUCATION TO FIND OUT IF THERE IS A FACILITY AVAILABLE FOR THAT CHARTER SCHOOL BECAUSE THE CHARTER SCHOOL WILL NEED TO BE HOUSED SOMEWHERE AND SO IF THEY CHECK IN TO FIND OUT IF THERE'S ANY AVAILABILITY IF THERE IS NOT AVAILABILITY THEN IT CAN STRENGTHEN THEIR APPLICATION TO ESTABLISH THAT FACILITY WHERE THEY DEEM MOST NEEDED AND MOST APPLICABLE AND IN THE MANNER THAT THEY DEEM MOST APPROPRIATE WHETHER IT BE RENTING OR BUILDING OR OTHER BUT THEY HAVE DONE THEIR DUE DILIGENCE TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR GOVERNMENT FACILITIES ARE BEING UTILIZED WELL THAT THEY'RE NOT BEING WASTED AS THEY SIT ASIDE BUT YET SOME OTHER ENTITY IS MOVING IN A NEW DIRECTION SO I JUST THINK AS LEGISLATORS IT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THESE PROCESSES ARE IN PLACE RIGHT NOW WE HAVE SEVEN CHARTER SCHOOLS OR THE POSSIBILITY OF THEM BUT WE HAVE SEEN SOME SUCCESSES WITH CHARTER SCHOOLS THIS IS SOMETHING THAT MAY TEND TO GROW WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY OF POTENTIALLY HAVING MORE CHARTER SCHOOLS AND THAT'S GOING TO CHANGE THE BALANCE OF OUR SCHOOLS AND THOSE FACILITIES AND THEIR USAGE SO I I THINK THAT THIS IS IMPORTANT LONG-TERM THINKING TO BE ACCOMMODATING US NOT JUST FOR NOW BUT AS WE CONTINUE TO GROW AS A COMMUNITY TO HAVE THOSE STEPS IN PLACE TO MAKE SURE THAT AT ALL STEPS ALONG THE WAY WE ARE BEING FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE WE ARE MAXIMIZING OUR FACILITIES WE'RE NOT UNDER UTILIZING THEM AND WE'RE NOT WASTING THEM SO I HOPE THAT IN LISTENING TO MY COLLEAGUES I'VE MADE TWO OR THREE ADJUSTMENTS I HOPE THAT I HAVE THE SUPPORT OF COLLEAGUES ON THIS AND THAT THEY TOO ARE INTERESTED IN THAT FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY AND HAVING THAT DUE DILIGENCE OF OUR GOVERNMENT FACILITIES.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR TAITANO SENATOR WIL CASTRO ON THE AMENDMENT YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR CASTRO: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER A QUICK NOTE IF THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER WOULD CONSIDER THIS A MINOR TECHNICAL CHANGE HERE IN TERMS OF A SPELLING THANKS TO SENATOR LEE ABOUT THAT OUT SO TO BE FACILITY EXISTS AS OPPOSED TO EXITS ON THE AMENDMENTS WHILE THE THIRD LINE DOWN.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SAY THAT SAY THAT AGAIN.

SENATOR CASTRO: SURE JUST A MINOR TECHNICAL CHANGE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YES.

SENATOR CASTRO: AS OPPOSED TO EXITS I'M SURE IT'S MEANT TO READ EXISTS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: OH EXISTS.

SENATOR CASTRO: I THINK WE'RE MISSING AN S.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION WITHOUT ANY OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES SENATOR CASTRO YOU STILL ON.

SENATOR CASTRO: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER ON THE AMENDMENT I RISE IN SUPPORT OF THE PREVIOUS SPEAKERS AMENDMENT I THINK THE ORIGINAL AMENDMENT AS IT READ HAD SOME PROBLEMS WITH A CAUCUS BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF THE CAUCUS FOR WORKING WITH US I THINK THE REVISED AMENDMENT MADAM SPEAKER ALLOWS AN APPLICATION TO ADVANCE WITHOUT HINDRANCE BECAUSE OF A SINGLE ENTITY OR PERSON WHETHER THROUGH DELAY OR INACTION AND I FOUND IT AND WE FOUND IT UNREASONABLE TO HOLD AN APPLICATION FROM HAVING THE ABILITY TO BE CONSIDERED NOW I CAN UNDERSTAND IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO APPROVE AN APPLICATION BUT TO ALLOW IT TO ADVANCE FOR CONSIDERATION WAS UNCONSCIONABLE SO THANK YOU SO MUCH TO THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER FOR WORKING WITH US ON THAT THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR CASTRO ANYONE ELSE ON THE AMENDMENT SENATOR JIM MOYLAN YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR MOYLAN: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I APPRECIATE THE AMENDMENT AND THE ADJUSTMENTS MADE I STILL HAVE A BIT CONCERN I'M JUST WONDERING WHEN WE DEFINING THE AVAILABILITY OF COURSE THAT'S CLEAR ON AVAILABLE CAMPUSES BUT SUITABILITY SOMETIMES IT MAY BE A CONSIDERATION OF WHAT IS ACTUALLY SUITABLE IS IT MORE SUITABLE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THAT THE CHARTER SCHOOL HAS THEIR THEIR CHARTER AT THIS SCHOOL WHICH IS UNDERUTILIZED OR IS IT MORE SUITABLE FOR

THE SCHOOL THE SCHOOL THAT WANTS TO START TO HAVE ITS - IS IT SUITABLE FOR THEM TO HAVE IT ELSEWHERE OUTSIDE GDOE THE DETERMINING FACTOR WILL MOST LIKELY I BELIEVE WILL BE THE GOVERNMENT TO DECIDE WHETHER YES WE WANT YOU IN HERE OR YOU KNOW IT'S JUST A VILLAGE AWAY OR OR YOU CAN HAVE IT WHEREVER YOU WANT I'M JUST NOT SURE SO IT COMES INTO THE THE CONSIDERATION OF WHO THE PLAYERS ARE AT THAT TIME I JUST SEE THAT THAT WE HAVE THE ABILITY WITH CHARTER SCHOOLS WHO ARE WANTING TO OPEN UP SCHOOLS AND HIRE PEOPLE AND AND PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH EDUCATION IN THE CHARTER SCHOOL FORMAT BUT IF WE HINDER THAT IN ANY WAY WITH THOUGH THIS IS GOOD INTENT ON THE AMENDMENT IF WE HINDER THEM WE MAY BE STOPPING THE POSSIBILITY FOR THIS CHARTER SCHOOL TO EVEN WANT TO EXIST THE MORE CHALLENGES WE MAY GIVE ANY BUSINESS TO START UP THE MORE RED TAPE THAT IT MAY HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE LESS LIKELY THEY MAY WISH TO OPEN A CHARTER SCHOOL ALSO IT SAYS THE AMENDMENT JUST SAYS THAT THAT THIS NEEDS TO BE DETERMINED IF IT'S SUITABLE OR AVAIL OR AVAILABILITY BEFORE THE APPLICANT SUBMITS ITS APPLICATION TO THE COUNCIL IN OTHER WORDS THEY GET IT CAN STOP IT BEFORE THE APPLICATION IS EVEN SUBMITTED I THINK A A CHARTER SCHOOL WHO WILL BE CONSIDERING TO OPEN UP WOULD DO THEIR OWN DUE DILIGENCE AND DETERMINE WHAT'S WHAT'S BEST BASED ON THE POPULATION OF THE VILLAGE NEEDS OR BASED ON THE TYPE OF CHARTER THEY WISH TO OPEN TO DETERMINE THE LOCATION WHETHER IT BE A SOMEPLACE IN HARMON NEAR A CONSTRUCTION AREA OR WHETHER IT BE SOMEPLACE NEXT TO THE OCEAN FOR THE BEACH OR OR SOMEPLACE UP NORTH TO LOOK AT THE STARS I'M NOT EXACTLY SURE BUT BUT I I WOULDN'T WANT TO LIMIT THE CHARTERS CLOSE ABILITY TO SAY HEY YOU KNOW THAT GDOE CAMPUS LOOKS GREAT THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I WANT TO DO OR HEY THAT OLD APARTMENT BUILDING DOWN IN EAST AGANA IT LOOKS GREAT THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I WANTED OPEN UP I THINK IT'S UP TO THE ONE THAT IS PUTTING IN THE INVESTMENT TO FINALLY DETERMINE WHICH WHICH CAMPUS THEY WOULD ACTUALLY WANT TO USE I THINK IT'S VERY HELPFUL THAT THAT GUAM DOE WOULD WOULD SAY WOULD ACTUALLY VOLUNTEER AND SAY HEY I HAVE A CAMPUS WOULD YOU LIKE TO USE IT THEN THAT THAT'S FINE BUT TO SAY TO DETERMINE THE AVAILABILITY OR SUITABILITY DEPENDED UPON GDOE UPON THAT CHARTER SCHOOL THAT WANTS TO BE ESTABLISHED I DON'T THINK SO I THINK IT'S ALMOST LIKE IF YOU WISH TO OPEN UP A BURGER A HAMBURGER JOINT AND THERE'S AN IS AN EXISTING STREET MALL AND THERE'S A VACANT SPOT THERE BUT ACROSS THE STREET THERE'S AN EMPTY LOT WELL MAYBE I WANT TO BUILD MY OWN HAMBURGER JOINT ON THE EMPTY LOT AND AND DESIGN IT BIGGER AND BETTER AND WITH ALL THE DIFFERENT LIGHTS I WANT TO DO ON IT VERSUS MOVING INTO A STRIP MALL AND I DON'T WANT TO BE NEXT TO A LIQUOR STORE FOR EXAMPLE SO THOSE THOSE ARE THE KIND OF EXAMPLES I'M CONSIDERING WHEN IF WE'RE GOING TO BE RESTRICTING THE CHARTER SCHOOL FROM EVEN CONSIDERING WHERE THEY CAN ESTABLISH THEIR THEIR CHARTER SO I THINK THE CHARTER SCHOOL WILL DO THEIR DUE DILIGENCE AS THEY FEEL IT'S IT'S APPROPRIATE AND FINANCIALLY SOUND AND THEY CAN HAVE THEIR STUDENTS THERE THEN SURE GDOE AN EMPTY CAMP AMP CAMPUS AND THEY CAN THEY CAN MOVE IN THERE THAT'S FINE BUT IF THEY LOOKED AT IT THEY DIDN'T LIKE IT I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD DELAY THE CHARTER SCHOOL FROM MOVING ON AND MOVING IT QUICKLY SO THAT THAT'S MY CONCERN WITH THIS AMENDMENT MADAM SPEAKER THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* ANYONE ELSE ON THE AMENDMENT SENATOR SO I HAVE SENATOR SABINA PEREZ YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR PEREZ: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I RISE IN SUPPORT OF THIS AMENDMENT I THINK WE HAVE TO REMIND OURSELVES THAT THE MONEY THAT GOES INTO CHARTER SCHOOLS IS COMING FROM OUR BUDGET AND BECAUSE OF THAT WE DO HAVE TO SET CERTAIN PARAMETERS IF THEY'RE GOING TO DRAW FROM THE BUDGET I DO FEEL I DO SUPPORT THIS AMENDMENT BECAUSE I BELIEVE IN ACCOUNTABILITY OF WHERE OUR MONEY IS GOING TO AND I THINK WE HAVE TO TO BEAR THAT IN MIND WHEN WE'RE THINKING ABOUT LIFTING THE CAP FOR NON CONVERSION CHARTER SCHOOLS I'M A SUPPORTER OF DIVERSIFICATION OF OUR EDUCATION AS A MEANS TO DIVERSIFY ECONOMY AND WE AS WE ARE ABOUT TO DEBATE ON OR DECIDE ON THE ISSUE OF DE LINKING THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY CONNECTION TO GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO HAVE THESE MEASURES IN PLACE WE ALREADY HEARD ON THE FLOOR AND WE HEARD IN TESTIMONY AT THE PUBLIC HEARING AND I'VE SEEN THE SCHOOLS THEMSELVES THAT THEY'RE BEING UNDERUTILIZED AND I THINK IT IT REALLY MAKES SENSE TO BE ABLE TO THINK OF WAYS IN WHICH WE CAN UTILIZE THESE RESOURCES AND I THINK IT DOESN'T HELP US TO WORK IN SILOS AS EDUCATION AND EDUCATING OUR PEOPLE WE NEED TO FIND WAYS TO LEVERAGE OUR RESOURCES RESOURCES AND MAXIMIZE OUR RESOURCES SO THAT WE ARE BOTH BENEFITING FROM THIS ON THE ONE SIDE CHARTER SCHOOLS THINK THEY CAN USE THAT MONEY INSTEAD OF PURCHASING OR LEASING PROPERTY OR LEASING FACILITIES IF THERE IS IF THERE'S A FACILITY ALREADY AVAILABLE THEY CAN USE THAT MONEY TOWARDS CURRICULUM AND

EDUCATING OUR OUR YOUTH SO ON THE OTHER HAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OF THE THE IDEA IS THAT IF THE CHARTER SCHOOL HAS UNIQUE AN INNOVATIVE IDEA IF THEY ARE SITUATED IN THE SAME TRADITIONAL CAMPUS THAT I THAT THAT POSSIBILITY OF YOU KNOW CROSS CULTURAL CROSS INNOVATION CAN OCCUR IT CAN SPUR THE THE CAPACITY OF OUR TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS TO ADVANCE BEYOND THE TRADITIONAL CURRICULUM AND IT WAS SAID IN SOME OF THE TESTIMONY GIVEN THAT THIS IDEA OF SCHOOL THAN SCHOOL HAS NOT BEEN REALLY UTILIZED AS MUCH AS WE SHOULD AND I THINK YOU KNOW WE'RE MISSING THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THIS PARTNERSHIP TO OCCUR ON ON SITE AND IF A SCHOOL DEEMS THAT YOU KNOW THE SITE IS NOT WITHIN THEIR BEST INTERESTS THEY STILL HAVE THE POSSIBILITY POSSIBILITY OF BECOMING A PRIVATE SCHOOL SO WE'RE NOT DIMINISHING THEIR OPPORTUNITY TO FIND A SITE THAT IS SUITABLE FOR THEM BUT IF THEY'RE GONNA IF THEY'RE GOING TO USE PUBLIC RESOURCES WE SHOULD SET THE PARAMETERS AND TO BENEFIT US ALL OUR COMMUNITY AND I BELIEVE THAT IS THE FUTURE FOR US IS THAT IF WE CAN LEVERAGE THE RESOURCES WE CAN WE CAN REALLY DO A LOT OF GREAT THINGS IN OUR SOCIETY HERE WITH IT WITH THE EDUCATION *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR PEREZ WE SENATOR TAITAGUE AND THENSENATOR TORRES ON THE AMENDMENT YOU YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AND GOOD MORNING TO MY COLLEAGUES MADAM SPEAKER THE THE AMENDMENT THAT'S PROFFERED IS IS ANOTHER STEP I THINK TO KEEP GOD GODOE PART OF OF THIS WHOLE PROCESS THE BILL AS WELL AS THE OTHER BILLS ARE TAKING DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OUT OF THE THE PICTURE HERE YET THEY SHOULD STILL HAVE SOME TYPE OF CONNECTION AND THIS IS NOT AN AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM TO STILL STAY CONNECTED BUT YET DOES NOT DETERMINE WHETHER THESE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE SEEKING TO OPEN A CHARTER SCHOOL THE INABILITY TO OPEN ONE THAT'S NOT WHAT THIS AMENDMENT DOES IT JUST SEEKS THE COMMENTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION WHETHER THERE IS A FACILITY THAT EXISTS MADAM SPEAKER IN IN SEVENTEEN GCA CHAPTER 12 12 104 THERE'S A PROCESS IN CONVERTING EXISTING PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT PROCESS IS VERY LONG AND EXTENSIVE AND IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO DO SO THERE IS A PROCESS IN PLACE ALREADY BUT THIS JUST ADDS ONE MORE LAYER FOR THE NOT THE APPROVAL BUT THE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NOW MY CONCERN IS TO THE AUTHOR I'D LIKE TO ASK THE AUTHOR QUESTION WHETHER THOSE IF THERE IS A SCHOOL THAT'S CURRENTLY OUT THERE WITH ITS INTENTION TO BE A CHARTER SCHOOL AND THEY'RE GOING THROUGH THE PROCESS ALREADY WOULD THE IF THIS IS PUT INTO THIS BILL WOULD THEY HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD AND GET THAT 30 DAYS THAT'S MY QUESTION.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR TAITANO WOULD YOU LIKE TO ANSWER.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *Hafa Adai* SO I WOULD HAVE TO GET PERHAPS LEGAL ADVICE ON THAT BUT I DON'T THINK ANYWHERE IN THIS BILL IT SAYS THAT IF SOMEONE IS GOING THROUGH THE PROCESS THAT THEY ARE GONNA HAVE TO REINITIATE AN APPLICATION BUT I WILL HAVE THAT CLARIFIED JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT I'M PROVIDING AN ACCURATE ANSWER.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SO WITH THE SHORT RECESS MADAM SPEAKER I'D LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT'S CLEAR IN THIS AMENDMENT FIRST AND SEEK LEGAL ADVICE LET ME TAKE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I WOULD ALLOW.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OH THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ALLOW YOU YOUR MOMENT RECESS.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I Mina'trentai Singko na Liheslaturan Guáhan* IS BACK FROM RECESS SENATOR SENATOR MARSH TAITANO YES SENATOR MARSH ON THE INQUIRY.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *Saiana Ma'Áse'* MADAM SPEAKER SO IN SPEAKING WITH OUR LEGAL COUNSEL WE LOOKED AT THE WORD THAT IS WRITTEN HERE IN THE AMENDMENT AND IT SAYS BEFORE THE APPLICANT SUBMITS ITS APPLICATION AND SHE NOTED THAT WAS IN THE REALM OF THE LEGAL WORLD THAT THEY DO NOT TAKE THINGS RETRO ACTIVELY SO THAT TERM BEFORE SHOULD BE STRONG ENOUGH TO BEING THAT MOVING FORWARD THIS WILL BE APPLYING TO APPLICATIONS BUT IT DOES NOT RETROACTIVELY AFFECT ANY APPLICATION THAT IS ALREADY SUBMITTED SO IN THAT WAY I BELIEVE IT

CLARIFIES THAT IT WILL NOT BE RETROACTIVELY APPLIED TO ANY APPLICATION THAT'S ALREADY IN THE PROCESS AND THAT WAS THE INTENT.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR TAITANO SENATOR TAITAGUE THAT WILL THAT SUFFICE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: YES MADAM SPEAKER IT DOES AND THEY THINK THE AUTHOR OF THE AMENDMENT FOR THAT EXPLANATION WE HAD AN EXTENSIVE DISCUSSION EVEN WITH THE AUTHOR OF THE BILL ITSELF AND YOU KNOW I FEEL COMFORTABLE ENOUGH TO KNOW THAT THIS DOESN'T DO ANYTHING TO STOP THE PROCESS BECAUSE THERE IS A PROCESS ALREADY IN LAW UNDER THE CHARTER SCHOOL AS I MENTIONED IN G THE G C A 17 CHAPTER 12 ON ON CONVERTING PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND LIKE I SAID IT'S EXTENSIVE HOWEVER THIS BILL DOES STILL INCORPORATE THE COMMENTS AND MAYBE SUGGESTIONS BY DOE WHO WHO IS THE ONE WHO OVERSEES THESE PROPERTIES AND COULD PROVIDE THEIR BEST COMMENTS AND AN AVAILABILITY AND SUITABLE FACILITIES FOR THEM BUT AS I MENTIONED EARLIER IT DOES NOTHING TO STOP THE PROCESS SO I FEEL COMFORTABLE ABOUT THIS AND AND I APPRECIATE THIS MAN I'VE FOUND I STAND AND SUPPORTED THIS AMENDMENT THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TAITAGUE ANYONE ELSE SENATOR TORRES DID YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON THE AMENDMENT YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR TORRES: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT THE AMENDMENT AND LOOK AND LISTENING TO THE COMMENTS MADE TO IT AND WHAT I WANT TO POINT OUT IS THAT I BELIEVE THIS AMENDMENT YOU KNOW IT FIRST OF ALL IT ADDS ANOTHER LAYER OF BUREAUCRACY THAT I DON'T THINK IS NECESSARILY WELCOMED BY EITHER PARTY BY DOE OR THE APPLICANT FOR A CHARTER SCHOOL BUT WHAT I WANT TO DRAW ATTENTION TO IS THAT IN LOOKING AT THE AMENDMENT I BELIEVE THAT IT IT DOESN'T GO WITH THE INTENT OF THE BILL THAT IT ACTUALLY CONTRADICTS THE INTENT AND SPIRIT OF THE BILL WHICH IS TO REVERSE THE CHALLENGES THAT WERE MANDATED BY THE GUAHAN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL ACT OF 2009 WHEN IT CREATED A CERTAIN NUMBER OF CONVERTED PUBLIC SCHOOLS BY ADDING THIS AMENDMENT I BELIEVE THAT WHAT WE'RE DOING IS WE'RE LESSENING THE CHOICES THAT AN APPLICANT MAKES AND IN FACT WE MAY BE WE MAY BE ENABLING DOE TO CONTROL THE NUMBER OF CONVERTED SCHOOLS SO IT'S NOT A TRUE CHOICE BY THE APPLICATION OF WHETHER THEY WANT TO BE A CONVERTED SCHOOL OR A NEW SCHOOL AND SO IN THAT REGARD NOTWITHSTANDING THE VERY GOOD INTENTIONS OF THE PROFFER OF THIS AMENDMENT IN TRYING TO BE FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE TRYING TO ENSURE THAT WHATEVER FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE TO BE CONVERTED ARE IN FACT CONVERTED AND IDENTIFIED I THINK ALL THOSE THINGS ARE GOOD AND TRUE BUT INSOFAR AS THE BILL IS CONCERNED AND THE AND THE INTENT OF THE BILL AND IT'S IT'S ACTUALLY STATED ON PAGE ONE WHERE IT IDENTIFIES THAT THAT THERE'S A THERE WAS A CHALLENGING MANDATED MANDATE THAT WAS CREATED WHEN WE REQUIRED A CERTAIN NUMBER OF CONVERTED PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THEN AGAIN ON PAGE TWO AROUND LINE SIX WHERE THE IT THE LEGISLATIVE INTENT DISCUSSES HOW THIS BILL WOULD ALLOW THE APPLICANT TO APPLY FOR WHICHEVER OPTION REPRESENTS THE SCHOOL OF CHOICE THEY DESIRE TO OPEN SO IN THE IN THE TRUE SPIRIT OF THE BILL LIKE IF IF THE INTENT IS TO GIVE THE ONUS ON THE APPLICANT TO DETERMINE WHAT IS BEST FOR THE APPLICANTS NEEDS LET IT STAY AT THAT AND PERHAPS WE DON'T NEED ANOTHER LAYER OF BUREAUCRACY DUE DILIGENCE IS ALWAYS THERE FOR THE APPLICANT TO EXERCISE SHOULD THEY WANT TO HAVE AN OPEN DISCUSSION WITH DOE AND THERE'S NOTHING TO PREVENT THAT FROM OCCURRING BUT INSOFAR AS THE WHAT THIS AMENDMENT DOES I DO THINK THAT IT IT CONTRADICTS THE INTENT AND SPIRIT OF THE BILL SO I WOULD RESPECTFULLY NOT BE SUPPORTIVE OF IT *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* ANYONE ELSE ON THE AMENDMENT.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH TAITANO: POINT OF INFORMATION.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ANYONE ELSE IS HOLD ON SENATOR TAITANO IF NOT YOU CAN CLOSE ON THE AMENDMENT AND YOU CAN ALSO GIVE YOUR POINT OF INFORMATION SENATOR TAITANO.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH TAITANO: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER WE HAVE TO REMEMBER HERE AS ONE OF THE SPEAKER'S MENTIONED A SHORT TIME AGO WE ARE TALKING ABOUT GOVERNMENT FUNDING WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS THAT ARE BEING SPENT PER STUDENT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT WITH EACH CHARTER SCHOOL HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS BEING REMOVED FROM OUR TYPICAL PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM FROM OUR TYPICAL PUBLIC FACILITIES THIS CAN ONLY GO ON SO LONG BEFORE THIS HAS A REAL EFFECT ON THE

INFRASTRUCTURE BOTH PHYSICAL AND OTHERWISE OF GDOE THERE HAS TO BE A BALANCE THERE HAS TO BE THINKING FROM THAT HIGHER PLANE AS TO WHAT IS BEING RESPONSIBLE WITH OUR MONEY WITH THE EDUCATION THAT WE'RE PROVIDING OUR STUDENTS AND WITH OUR FACILITIES AND I THINK A SIMPLE CHECK-IN THAT JUST SEES IF THERE IS AN AVAILABILITY OF FACILITY IS THE MOST RESPONSIBLE THING TO DO IF WE HAVE HOLLOWED-OUT SCHOOLS ALONGSIDE SEVERAL NEW CHARTER SCHOOLS AND THIS MAY CONTINUE TO BE THE DIRECTION THAT WE MOVE IN I'VE I'VE BEEN ON ISLANDS BEFORE WHERE I I HAVE SEEN ABANDONED BUILDING AFTER ABANDONED BUILDING AND IT'S SUCH A WASTE OF MONEY IT'S A WASTE OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT HAS THE POTENTIAL OF HAPPENING SO HERE IT IS A SIMPLE PROCESS AND I THINK IT'S ADDRESSED IN A COUPLE OF WAYS SOME OF THE CONCERNS WHEN ONE WRITES THAT LETTER TO SEEK WHETHER THERE IS SOMETHING AVAILABLE OR SUITABLE I CAN'T IMAGINE THAT THERE'S A SINGLE ENTITY THAT WOULD DO SO WITHOUT OUTLINING THE CRITERIA OF WHAT THEIR SPECIAL AND SPECIFIC NEEDS ARE THAT CRITERIA CAN THEN THEREFORE BE USED EVEN IF THERE IS SOMETHING AVAILABLE TO JUSTIFY THAT IT IS OR IS NOT SUITABLE THERE IS NOTHING IN THIS BILL THAT SAYS ANY ENTITY HAS TO ACCEPT THE NOTICE OF WHETHER THERE IS SOMETHING AVAILABLE BUT I HAVE MENTIONED IT OVER AND OVER I THINK AS A LEGISLATIVE BODY WE HAVE TO LOOK AT THE BIGGER PICTURE AND THAT BIGGER PICTURE IS FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY THAT BIGGER PICTURE IS LEVERAGING ALL OF OUR GOVERNMENT FACILITIES AND MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE ALL DOING THIS AND WE HAVE PUT IN TO PLACE THE MECHANICS THAT MAKE SURE THAT THAT HAPPENS I DON'T WANT US TO BE LIKE SOME OF THE OTHER ISLANDS THAT I'VE BEEN ON WHERE WE CAN DRIVE DOWN THE ROAD AND SEE EMPTY ABANDONED FACILITIES THAT MILLIONS OF DOLLARS WERE SPENT ON TO DEVELOP AFTER EMPTY FACILITY WE'VE ALREADY HEARD STORIES OR INFORMATION I SHOULD SAY THAT OUR SCHOOLCHILDREN NUMBERS THAT ARE IN SCHOOL ARE CHANGING WE HAVE TO HAVE SOME MECHANISMS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE STAYING ON TOP OF THIS AND THAT THERE IS BALANCE IT'S GOVERNMENT MONEY WE HAVE TO BE AS RESPONSIBLE WITH THAT GOVERNMENT MONEY AS POSSIBLE THOSE CHILDREN'S EDUCATION WHETHER THEY'RE IN A CHARTER SCHOOL OR IN A TYPICAL PUBLIC SCHOOL ARE BEING PAID FOR BY GOVERNMENT FUNDING THE STAFF THAT ARE GOING TO BE EMPLOYED IN THOSE CHARTER SCHOOLS ARE GOING TO BE POTENTIALLY GETTING THEIR FUNDING FROM GOVERNMENT FUNDING SO I DEFINITELY THINK WE NEED TO BE AS RESPONSIBLE AS POSSIBLE WHILE STILL HAVING FLEXIBILITY THEY CAN OUTLINE THEIR CRITERIA THEY CAN SAY IF A FACILITY IS AVAILABLE IT DOES NOT MEET THEIR CRITERIA OF THEIR SPECIAL NEEDS AND THERE'S NOTHING IN THIS BILL THAT SAYS THAT THEY HAVE TO ACCEPT IT BUT AT LEAST THEY'VE THEY'VE DONE DUE DILIGENCE TO CHECK AND ENSURE THAT A FACILITY MAY OR MAY NOT EXIST SO THAT WE ARE NOT UNDER UTILIZING IT POTENTIALLY.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TAITANO THERE HAS BEEN AN OBJECTION ON THE AMENDMENT ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF SENATOR KELLY MARSH TAITANO SUBMIT AMENDMENT PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HAND MOTION CARRIES ON THE MAIN MOTION SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE I WILL I DO APOLOGIZE I HAD SENATOR TERLAJE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED I APOLOGIZE PLEASE PROCEED.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER ON THE BILL I DON'T HAVE ANY OBJECTION ON THE IN ON THE TO THE INTENT OF THE BILL THAT WILL ALLOW ANOTHER APPLICANT FOR A CHARTER SCHOOL AND I'VE HEARD TALK ABOUT PARTICULAR APPLICANTS A LIKE A CAREER-TECH HIGH SCHOOL FOR EXAMPLE THAT WHO RIGHT NOW ARE NOT ABLE TO APPLY BECAUSE OF THE THE CAP ON NON CONVERTED SCHOOLS THE CAP IS AT 3 AND WE CURRENTLY ALREADY HAVE 3 NON CONVERTED SCHOOLS AND THAT THERE ARE NO APPLICANTS CURRENTLY FOR CONVERTED SCHOOLS I JUST I GUESS I'M CAUTIOUS ABOUT THE RATIONALE OF REMOVING THESE CAPS IN GENERAL BECAUSE BECAUSE I JUST THINK IT'S A LITTLE BIT OF A MYTH THAT THAT INCREASING THE NUMBER OF CHARTER SCHOOLS DOES NOT INCREASE THE OVERALL COST TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM OR THAT IT DOESN'T HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BECAUSE BECAUSE I ACTUALLY THINK IT DOES MADAM SPEAKER AND AND WHILE WE LIKE CHARTER SCHOOLS BECAUSE THEY YOU KNOW ARE GOING TO AS THE BILLS INTENT SAYS PERHAPS HAVE A SMALLER STUDENT TO EDUCATION EDUCATOR RATIO AND IT WILL OR CERTAIN CURRICULUMS CAN BE IMPLEMENTED THAT ARE NOT BEING IMPLEMENTED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS I ALWAYS HOPE THAT CHARTER SCHOOLS ARE GOING TO PROVE SOMETHING YOU KNOW TO DOE THAT THESE TYPES OF EDUCATION ARE ARE NEEDED OR OR SUCCESSFUL AND THAT THE GDOE WILL IN TURN MAKE THAT AVAILABLE TO ALL OF OUR STUDENTS IF IF THESE ARE INDEED YOU KNOW GOOD PROGRAMS SO I JUST DON'T WANT THAT RATION OUT TO CARRY FORWARD SO THAT WE REMOVE ALL THE CAPS ON I KNOW THAT THIS BILL DOESN'T DO THAT BUT THE RATIONALE SEEMS TO BE THE SAME THAT THAT PERHAPS WE YOU KNOW WE SHOULD HAVE NO CAPS ON DOE I MEAN ON THE NUMBER OF CHARTER SCHOOLS BECAUSE THERE IS NO IMPACT BUT I KNOW THAT WE ALL CAN APPRECIATE THAT EVEN WHEN GDOE'S

ENROLLMENT LESSONS BECAUSE STUDENTS MOVE OUT INTO A CHARTER SCHOOL THAT THE GDOE BUDGET DOES NOT NECESSARILY GO DOWN OR THEIR NEEDS DO NOT NECESSARILY DECREASE BECAUSE THEY HAVE TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE A SCHOOL AND THEY NEED ALL THE POSITIONS IN THE SCHOOLS EXCEPT MAYBE YOU KNOW A COUPLE TEACHERS THAT MAY BE LESSENED BUT BUT STILL TO OPERATE THE FACILITIES AND I THINK THAT THAT DISCUSSION WAS ADDRESSED IN THE PREVIOUS AMENDMENT THOSE COSTS OF PRETTY MUCH REMAINED THE SAME MADAM SPEAKER WE WERE LOOKING AT IN A FISCAL NOTE TO ANOTHER BILL THEY OUTLINED THAT THE COST PER STUDENT THAT IS GIVEN BY THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM TO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS IS CURRENTLY SIX THOUSAND AND EIGHTY-EIGHT DOLLARS PER STUDENT SO THE EXISTING HIGH SCHOOL CHARTER THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM PAYS 4.5 MILLION DOLLARS FOR 740 STUDENTS SO THE WAY I LOOK AT THIS BILL IS THAT IS THE POTENTIAL HERE IS THAT IF WE CREATE WE ALLOW THEM TO CREATE ANOTHER HIGH SCHOOL WE ARE LOOKING AT THE POTENTIAL OF YOU KNOW SOMETHING SIMILAR UP TO SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY STUDENTS HIGH SCHOOL FOUR AND A HALF MILLION DOLLARS FOR EXAMPLE AND I JUST THINK THAT'S VERY SIGNIFICANT TO DOE AND THAT'S MONEY THAT'S NOT GOING TO BE AVAILABLE TO DOE IT'S NOT GOING TO BE AVAILABLE TO ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE GOVERNMENT AND WHILE WE AGREE THAT THIS IS A GOOD INVESTMENT FOR THE STUDENTS I JUST I JUST I JUST DON'T WANT IT TO I JUST WANTED TO PUT THAT ON THE RECORD MADAM SPEAKER SO THAT WE DON'T GIVE ANYBODY THE FALSE IMPRESSION THAT THIS DOES NOT HAPPEN IF FISCAL IMPACTS TO THE ENTIRE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM I ACTUALLY WOULD I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE JUST MAKE AN AMENDMENT ON THE BILL ON PAGE ONE IT'S JUST TO THE INTENT AND I WOULD JUST MOVE TO REMOVE THE FIRST SENTENCE OF THE THIRD PARAGRAPH WHICH IS ON LINE 14 THE SENTENCE READS THAT CHARTER SCHOOLS DO NOT COST THE TAXPAYERS ANY ADDITIONAL DOLLARS AS THE COST PER STUDENT IS MOVED FROM A TRADITIONAL GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOL TO A CHARTER SCHOOL OF CHOICE AND I THINK THAT THE MECHANISM OF THE FUNDING IS IN FLUX AT THIS TIME ESPECIALLY MADAM SPEAKER WITH THE BILLS THAT WE HAVE ON OUR AGENDA AND SO I WOULD JUST LIKE TO REMOVE THAT SO THAT IT'S NOT PART OF THE PERMANENT RECORD ON THIS BILL AND SO THAT WOULD BE MY MOTION MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR THERE HAS BEEN A MOTION TO DELETE MY COLLEAGUES IF YOU'RE LISTENING TO DELETE ON LINE 14 ALL THE WAY THE LINE 16 STARTING WITH CHARTER SCHOOLS DO NOT COST THE TAXPAYERS ANY ADDITIONAL DOLLARS AS THE COST PER STUDENT IS MOVED FROM A TRADITIONAL ALL THE WAY DOWN TO THE WORD SCHOOL OF CHOICE PERIODS IS THERE AN OBJECTION ANYONE WANTING TO SPEAK ON THE AMENDMENT SENATOR TELO YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: I'M SORRY MADAM SPEAKER MY BAD CAN YOU REPEAT PLEASE THAT SECTION.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I APOLOGIZE THE MOTION BY SENATOR THERESE IS TO DELETE FROM LINE 14 PAGE ONE FROM THE WORD CHARTER SCHOOLS ALL THE WAY DOWN TO CHARTER SCHOOL OF CHOICE PERIOD TO DELETE THAT SENTENCE DO I HEAR AN OBJECTION OR ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON THE AMENDMENT NO OBJECTION SENATOR PEREZ I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR PEREZ: I RISE IN SUPPORT OF THE AMENDMENT I BELIEVE DURING ONE OF THE TESTIMONIES GIVEN THAT THERE WAS EVIDENCE TO SHOW THAT NOT ALL THE STUDENTS AT CHARTER SCHOOLS COME FROM PUBLIC SCHOOLS THERE ARE SOME STUDENTS THAT ACTUALLY POSSIBLY HAVE EMIGRATED TO GUAM OR THAT THEY MAY HAVE COME FROM PRIVATE SCHOOLS SO I DO SUPPORT THIS AMENDMENT THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* ANYONE ELSE WISHING TO SPEAK IF NOT ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION IF NOT SENATOR MOYLAN YOU MAY CLOSE.

SENATOR MOYLAN: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I STILL WISH TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR THE GOOD DISCUSSION WE HAD ON BILL 57-35 I APPRECIATE THE AMENDMENTS AND THE CHANGES THAT WE'LL BE MAKING TO THIS BILL AND I APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT AS WE MOVE THIS BILL FORWARD AND I WISH TO REQUEST THAT WE MOVE 57-35 AS COR AS AMENDED TO THE VOTING FILE TO.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I DO APOLOGIES TO MOVE TO THE VOTING FILE.

SENATOR MOYLAN: YES THE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THE MOTION.

SENATOR MOYLAN: THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: WITHOUT ANY OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES LADIES AND GENTLEMEN NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS BILL NUMBER 106 - 35 AND I'M GOING TO ENTERTAIN A I'LL TAKE A MOMENT A MOMENT'S RECESS.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN IS BACK FROM RECESS ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER TAITANO YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO RECESS UNTIL 2:00 P.M.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION WITHOUT ANY OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES WE ARE IN RECESS.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS CALLED BACK FROM RECESS LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WHEN WE LAST LEFT WE WERE WITH YA WE HAD DISPOSED OF BILL NUMBER 57-35 COLLEAGUES WE ARE NOW ON BILL NUMBER 106-35 AND FOR THE RECORD WE WERE WITH SENATOR TAITAGUE WE ASKING AN INQUIRY TO SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON ON BEHALF OF VICE SPEAKER SO SENATOR AMANDA YOU THERE WAS AN INQUIRY FROM SENATOR TELO HAVE YOU GUYS RESOLVED THE CONCERN JUST THAT'S JUST ASK FOR THE RECESS OKAY.

SENATOR SHELTON: CAN I A 1 MINUTE RECESS MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION WE WILL BE IN A MOMENT'S RECESS.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER AND I'D LIKE TO THANK THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER FOR THE INQUIRY I THINK I'VE BEEN ABLE TO SATISFY HER INQUIRY AND I HAVE A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THAT SECTION OKAY SO.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: PLEASE PROCEED.

SENATOR SHELTON: YES THIS IS AN AMENDMENT TO.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: STILL ON.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: WAIT WAIT SENATOR I DO APOLOGIZE YOU'RE GOING TO PROPOSE THE AMENDMENT I SENATOR TELO DID HAVE THE FLOOR SO I HAVE TO ASK HER OF THAT SATISFIES AND THEN AND THEN WE CAN WORK FROM THERE A SENATOR TELO TAITAGUE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED THANK YOU.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AND THANK YOU TO THE PRIOR SPEAKER FOR THE INFORMATION PROVIDED AND APPRECIATE THAT AMENDMENT AS WELL AS I MENTIONED YESTERDAY MADAM SPEAKER I'M THE GREATEST FAN OF CHARTER SCHOOLS AND WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT IT GOES FORWARD IN A WAY THAT IT'S TRANSPARENT AND THERE'S ACCOUNTABILITY TO THIS AS WELL BILL 106 HAS SOME SOME PARTS IN THERE THAT THAT NEEDS A LITTLE BIT MORE CLEANING UP MADAM SPEAKER AND UNFORTUNATELY IT WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT WOULD REQUIRE A SEPARATE SEPARATE LEGISLATION AND MADAM SPEAKER I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE A BILL LATER ON TODAY TODAY WITH SOME OF MY OTHER COLLEAGUES WHO HAVE THAT THAT SAME CONCERN TO ENSURE THERE IS ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY AND TO PROVIDE THE COUNCIL WITH THE SUPPORT THEY NEED TO OVERSEE THE CHARTER SCHOOLS SO MADAM SPEAKER THERE IS ONE AMENDMENT I'D LIKE TO PROFFER AND IT'S VERY SIMPLE IT'S UNLESS IT'S ALREADY BEEN ADDRESSED AND IT'S ON PAGE EIGHT LINE TWO I BELIEVE THE WORD SHOULD BE COST NOT CAST.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU VERY MUCH SENATOR TAITAGUE ON THAT AMENDMENT ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TAITAGUE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: MADAM SPEAKER I KNOW THAT I'M STRETCHING THE TIME THAT I WAS ALLOTTED TO ME I THINK I HAVE ONE MINUTE TO GO AS WELL BUT AS WE MOVE FORWARD I'M SURE THAT THE AMENDMENTS THAT ARE BEING PROFFERED YOU KNOW I SUPPORT THE LEGISLATION HOPING THERE'S NO AMENDMENTS THAT'S GOING TO NOT MAKE THIS A BILL WORTH SUPPORTING YOU KNOW BUT I APPRECIATE THE TIME ALLOTTED TO ME MADAM SPEAKER AND LOOKING FORWARD TO THE AMENDMENTS TO COME THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* COLLEAGUES ARE THERE ANY MORE MORE FOLKS WISHING TO SPEAK ON THE MAIN AMENDMENT I SEE SENATOR ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN BILL ON THE MAIN BILL OKAY SO I HAVE SENATOR TORRES AND SENATOR CASTRO AND SENATOR TAITANO IN THAT ORDER SENATOR TORRES YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR TORRES: MADAM SPEAKER I'D LIKE TO PROFFER AN AMENDMENT TO BILL 106 AT PAGE 4 LINES 14 TO 20 AND I BELIEVE THAT THE COPY OF MY AMENDMENT HAS BEEN CIRCULATED.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: DOES EVERYBODY HAVE A COPY OF THE AMENDMENT PLEASE PROCEED SENATOR TORRES.

SENATOR TORRES: OKAY SO THE AMENDMENT IS TO THE BILL IS TO READ ON LINE 14 PAGE FOUR NUMBER EIGHT ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT AND SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDITS A FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDITED BY THE PUBLIC AUDITOR TO ADD PURSUANT TO SECTION 1908 CHAPTER 19 TITLE 1 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED UNDER SECTION WENT TO 107 Z OF THIS ACT AND THEN AS I FURTHER DOWN ON LINE 17 TO READ PURSUANT TO SECTION 1908 CHAPTER 19 TITLE 1 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED THE PUBLIC AUDITOR IS AUTHORIZED TO SUPERVISE AUDITS OR AT THE PUBLIC AUDITORS DISCRETION EXERCISE HIS OR HER AUTHORITY TO MAKE THE SELECTION OF THE AUDITING FIRM OR ORGANIZATION AND THE SCOPE OF THE AUDITS SEMICOLON THE AUDITS ARE TO BE AT THE COST OF THE CHARTER SCHOOLS WHICH SAID COSTS MAY BE INCLUDED IN ITS ANNUAL BUDGET MADAM SPEAKER THE REASON FOR THESE AMENDMENTS IS SIMPLY TO MAKE IT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR THAT THE PUBLIC AUDITOR HAS THE AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT FINANCIAL AUDITS OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL WHERE THE CHARTER SCHOOL ACT DOESN'T EXPLICITLY MANDATE THE THAT THE OPA SUPERVISE THE FINANCIAL AUDITS WHAT I'M DOING BY REFERENCING TITLE 1 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 1 TO 107 I'M SORRY SECTION 1908 OF TITLE 1 GUAM CODE AND TITLE 1 CHAPTER 19 GUAM CODE ANTA WHAT I'M DOING IS I'M CITING SPECIFICALLY THE THE OPA AUTHORITY SO THAT IT'S ABUNDANTLY CLEAR THAT HE HAS AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AUDITS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR TORRES ON THE AMENDMENT BY SENATOR MARY TORRES I SEE I SEE THE OVERSIGHT CHAIR ON OFB I SEE SENATOR TAITANO AND THEN I SEE I MEAN SENATOR PEREZ THEN SENATOR TAITANO.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MADAM SPEAKER I JUST ASK THAT IF WE CAN AMEND THE ON THE LAST SENTENCE WHERE IT SAYS WHICH SAID CAUSE MAY BE INCLUDED IN ITS ANNUAL BUDGET THAT WE STRIKEOUT MAY AND IT WILL SAY SHALL BE INCLUDED.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THERE HAS BEEN AN AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT TO STRIKE OUT THE WORD MAY AND INCLUDE SHALL DO I HEAR AN OBJECTION DO I HEAR AN OBJECTION NO OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES ON THE AMENDMENT ON THE AMENDMENT BY SENATOR TORRES AS AMENDED I HAVE SENATOR SABINA AND THEN SENATOR TAITANO SAID THANK YOU IT WAS ADDRESSED THANK YOU SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* SPEAKER I JUST WANT TO RISE IN SUPPORT OF THIS AMENDMENT I ALWAYS THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO CLARIFY WHERE WE CAN I DO BELIEVE THAT THE AUTHORITY WAS LESS CLEAR I THINK THAT THIS CREATES A REAL UNDERSTANDING AND SHEDS AWAY SOME OF THE AMBIGUITY IN THE AUTHORITY SO I JUST WANTED TO BE ABLE TO RISE IN SUPPORT OF THAT CLARITY THAT CLARIFICATION.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER ANYONE ELSE WISHING TO SPEAK ON THE SENATOR TORRES AMENDMENT WHICH WAS AMENDED IF NOT ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS ON THE AMENDMENT IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES SENATOR TORRES YOU STILL HAVE THE FLOOR.

SENATOR TORRES: NO FURTHER COMMENTS THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR TORRES ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION IF NOT SIT BEFORE WE CLOSE ON THE BILL ANY ONE OF THEM SENATOR OKAY JUST JUST FOR CLARITY'S SAKE ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION I HAVE SENATOR THE ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER AND THEN SENATOR CASTRO AND THEN SENATOR TERLAJE ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER MY PROPOSAL FOR AN AMENDMENT IS JUST TO ADD IN ONE WORD IT WOULD BE ON PAGE EIGHT NINE TEN AND MY PROPOSAL IS TO AMEND THIS TO READ SHALL RETAIN THE IDENTICAL CHARTER SCHOOL BUDGET APPROPRIATED PRIOR TO ITS CONVERSION BECAUSE IN THE LINE PREVIOUSLY IT MENTIONS BOTH THE PUBLIC SCHOOL AND AN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS SO THAT IF WE JUST USE THE GENERAL TERM SCHOOL IT LEAVES IT AS AMBIGUOUS AS TO WHAT WE ARE REFERRING TO SO IT MAKES THE MOST SENSE THAT THE CHARTER SCHOOL WAS LAST REFERRED

TO THAT THE CHARTER SCHOOL WOULD RETAIN ITS BUDGET AS IT MOVES FORWARD INTO POTENTIALLY A CONVERTED BUILDING.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SO YOUR AMENDMENT SENATOR TAITANO JUST FOR CLARITY PLEASE SAY THAT.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): YES IT'S TO ADD IN ONE SINGLE WORD ON LINE TEN.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: RIGHT.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): AND THAT WORD IS CHARTER RIGHT BEFORE SCHOOL SO THAT IT'S CLEAR.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: RETAIN THE IDENTICAL CHARTER SCHOOL.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): YES RETAIN THE IDENTICAL CHARTERS BUDGET.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR TAITANO YOU KNOW WHAT I'M GONNA TAKE A MOMENT'S RECESS FOR LEGAL CLARIFICATION.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS SENATOR MARSH TAITANO I KNOW YOU YOU WERE CONFERRING WITH LEGAL YOU YOU ARE RECOGNIZED STILL.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER SO AFTER CONFERRING WITH LEGAL AND I WANT TO I THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR HELPING ME THINK THE ISSUE THROUGH AND HOW TO BEST ADDRESS IT AND TO LOOK AT IT FROM DIFFERENT ANGLES SO I WOULD LIKE TO WITHDRAW THE BOTH THE AMENDMENT TO ADD IN THE WORD CHARTER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YES I'LL GO AHEAD AND TAKE THAT MOTION.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): YES.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THE MOTION TO WITHDRAW THE PREVIOUS AMENDMENT BY SENATOR TAITANO ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES SENATOR TAITANO I'LL STILL GIVE YOU THE FLOOR.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* SPEAKER SO WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE IS AN AMENDMENT TO JUST SIMPLY STRIKE OUT SECTION F IN THE BILL ON PAGE 8 LINES 9 10 AND 11 SECTION F TO STRIKE IT OUT IN ITS ENTIRETY WITH THIS THIS SECTION ITS MINGLING AND MIXING UP PUBLIC SCHOOL FORMULAS FOR COSTS AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR STUDENTS AND THAT OF ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS AND THEY ARE VASTLY DIFFERENT IT ALSO CREATES A SITUATION SUCH AS WITH FQ SANCHEZ WHICH HAS BEEN CLOSED FOR MANY YEARS IF THAT WERE EVER TO BE CONVERTED IF WE WERE TO FOLLOW WHAT THIS SAYS THE SCHOOL BUDGET APPROPRIATED PRIOR TO HIS CONVERSION WOULD BE ZERO AND SO THERE WOULD BE NOTHING FOR THAT CHARTER SCHOOL TO WORK WITH AND THEN THE OTHER WAY AROUND IF IT WERE A SCHOOL THAT HAD A DIFFERENT POPULATION AND A DIFFERENT FORMULA FOR APPROPRIATION WERE TO BE CONVERTED THEN THAT WOULDN'T MATCH THE CHARTER SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS AND IT WOULD BE UNEQUAL WITH ALL THE THEY'RE CHARTER SCHOOLS OUT THERE SO OUR CONCLUSION AS A BODY WAS TO JUST SIMPLY STRIKE OUT F BECAUSE IT JUST CONFUSES THINGS BY MIXING TOGETHER THOSE TWO DIFFERENT FORMULAS SO THAT IS MY PROPOSED AMENDMENT.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT AMENDMENT ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK TO THE AMENDMENT ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES NEXT ON THE AGENDA SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE YOU ARE RECOGNIZED ON THE MAIN MOTION.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I STAND IN SUPPORT OF THE BILL I JUST HAVE A COUPLE SUGGESTIONS OR QUESTIONS FOR THIS BILL AND ONE OF MY AMENDMENTS IS GOING TO BE TAKING CARE OF VICE BY ANOTHER BY THE SPONSOR SO I WOULD IF WE COULD DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO PAGE THREE OF THE BILL PAGE THREE SETS THE DEADLINE FOR PETITIONS TO THE COUNCIL TO ESTABLISH A NEW CHARTER SCHOOL SO ANYONE WHO WANTS TO ESTABLISH A NEW CHARTER SCHOOL ACCORDING TO THE BILL WILL SUBMIT THEIR PETITION NO LATER THAN JULY AND THE DEADLINE ACCORDING TO OUR CURRENT STATUTE IS AUGUST SO THIS WOULD MOVE THAT DEADLINE UP TO JULY HOWEVER IN THE REST OF THE BILL YOU CAN SEE THAT THE BUDGETS ARE GOING TO BE SUBMITTED IN JUNE SO I THINK THAT WE REALLY NEED TO DECIDE WHETHER WE'RE GOING TO ALLOW A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL TO BE ESTABLISHED FOR THE EXIST FOR THE NEXT FIFTH SCHOOL YEAR MEANING IF YOU SUBMITTED IN JULY THAT'S AUGUST THAT'S ONE MONTH FROM THEN SO I FEEL LIKE IT SHOULD BE IT'S GOT TO BE EARLIER IF IT'S FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR THAT THAT THE

COUNCIL DECIDES WHETHER TO ALLOW A CHARTER SCHOOL OR NOT SO THAT THIS NEW CHARTER SCHOOLS CAN SUBMIT ITS BUDGET BY THE JUNE DEADLINE THAT IS THAT IS PUT IN BY THE BILL ALSO SO IN ORDER TO MEET THIS I'M SUGGESTING MARCH MADAM SPEAKER AND I REALLY AM JUST RELYING ON WHEN THEY FIRST ESTABLISHED THE LAW FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS MARCH WAS THE DEADLINE FOR ANY NEW CHARTER SCHOOL THAT YEAR SO I'M THINKING IT'S FEASIBLE BUT IF ANYONE KNOWS OTHERWISE I'M OPEN TO AMENDMENT ON THAT DATE I WAS I WAS TRYING TO DECIDE BETWEEN JANUARY MARCH BUT OTHERWISE IT JUST HAS TO BE PRIOR TO JUNE IT HAS TO GIVE THE COUNCIL ENOUGH TIME TO GET A QUORUM IN CASE THEY MISSED IT ONE MONTH AND TO ACTUALLY MAKE A DECISION ON THIS PETITION BEFORE THE JUNE DEADLINE OF WHEN THEY NEED TO SUBMIT THEIR BUDGET.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TERLAJE SO TO MY COLLEAGUES THAT THERE IS TO AMEN LIKE MONTH JULY TO MARCH AT THIS TIME AND THAT'S ON LINE 14 AND LINE 17 AM I RIGHT SENATORS RELY ON THAT MOTION SENATORS JOE SAN AGUSTIN I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER MY UNDERSTANDING OF WHEN THEY SUBMIT THE PETITION IT'S NOT FOR THE COMING SCHOOL YEAR SO IN OTHER WORDS SCHOOL YEAR STARTS IN AUGUST SEPTEMBER WHEN THEY SUBMIT THEIR PETITION IS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR IN OTHER WORDS IF YOU SUBMIT A PETITION TODAY FOR EXAMPLE JULY IT IS NOT GONNA GO IN EFFECT FOR SEPTEMBER WHEN SCHOOL YEAR OPENS IT'S FOR 2020 SO IT ALLOWS THEM THE TIME NEXT YEAR TO SUBMIT THEIR BUDGET ON TIME SO WE CAN APPROVE FOR THEM TO BE FUNDED IN 20 FY21 SCHOOL YEAR THAT THAT THAT'S HOW THAT WORKS SO I I MEAN BUT I HAVE NO OBJECTION IF YOU WANT TO MOVE INTO MARCH THERE'S NOT A PROBLEM THEY STILL WON'T GET APPROVE UNTIL THE FOLLOWING YEAR WHEN THEY SUBMIT THEIR BUDGET PETITION IS JUST TO GET IN THE DOOR THE BUDGET IS WHEN WE FUND THEM TO BE FULLY ENGAGED WITH GOVERNMENT FUNDS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN ANYONE ELSE SENATOR TELO TAITAGUE WAY I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AND TO THE MOVER OF THE AMENDMENT IF IT IS AN AMENDMENT BECAUSE I WASN'T QUITE SURE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YET IT WAS AN AMENDMENT.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SHE MADE AN AMENDMENT TO CHANGE FROM JULY TO MARCH.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YES IT WAS CLARIFIED.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: SO MY QUESTION IS AFTER HEARING THE PRIOR SPEAKER IN REGARDS TO THAT THE PETITION TO OPEN IN CHARTER SCHOOL BASED ON THE LAW IS IN MARCH THAT'S WHEN THE DEADLINE IS IN OTHER WORDS THEY CAN'T EVEN COME IN IN JULY TO GO FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR IS THIS LIKE A DEADLINE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SO I WILL I WILL POSE THAT AS A QUESTION SENATOR THERESE WOULD YOU LIKE TO ANSWER.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: YES THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM SPEAKER THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION SO THE CURRENT LAW HAS AUGUST AS A DEADLINE SO YES IF YOU USE AUGUST BECAUSE SCHOOL START IN AUGUST AND WE USE THAT TOGETHER WITH THE LANGUAGE THAT'S IN HERE THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL YEAR THEN YOU YOU CAN SUBMIT BY AUGUST BUT IT'S NOT GOING TO COME INTO EFFECT UNTIL THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL YEAR NOT THAT SAME AUGUST BUT NOW THEY'RE REMOVING THE DEADLINE UP TO JULY BY THE BILL WHEN YOU USE THE WORDS THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL YEAR YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE ONE MONTH LATER FOLLOWING SCHOOL YEAR THAT'S THAT'S MY INTERPRETATION OF THIS LANGUAGE THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING SO I JUST WANTED TO MAKE IT EARLIER THAN THAT AND SO I'M SUGGESTING MARCH GIVES THE COUNCIL ENOUGH TIME TO DECIDE AND APRIL MAY JUNE THEY HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO GET THEIR BUDGET OR SORRY THEY WOULD DECIDE IN AN APRIL MEETING LET'S SAY RIGHT YOU SUBMIT YOUR PETITION BY MARCH DECIDE BY APRIL ALL THINGS GOING VERY WELL AND HOPEFULLY GET YOUR BUDGET IN BY JUNE OK.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: WELL MADAM SPEAKER BASED ON THAT IT'S STILL EVEN IF THEY HAVE THEIR PETITION BASED ON THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER FROM YIGO IF THEY PUT IN THEIR PETITION IN MARCH IT STILL DOESN'T ALLOW THEM FOR THAT FOLLOWING YEAR IT ALLOWS THEM FOR THE NEXT YEAR SO LET'S SAY 2019 NO IT'S FOR 2020 I MEAN THAT'S WHAT I WAS BASED ON SO EVEN IF THEY WERE TO COME IN IN MARCH IT STILL MEANS NOT THIS THIS COMING YEAR BUT THE FOLLOWING YEAR AND EVEN IF THEY COME IN IN JULY THEY STILL WON'T BE ABLE TO GO TO THIS YEAR BUT WAIT TILL THE THE NEXT YEAR BEFORE THEY BEGIN.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: IS THAT IF THAT'S THE INTENT MADAM SPEAKER THEN WE NEED TO CHANGE THE BILL BECAUSE I JUST THINK WHEN WE MOVED THAT DEADLINE FROM AUGUST AUGUST AND THEN FOR THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL YEAR THAT WAS VERY CLEAR BUT WHEN WE SAY JULY FOR THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL

YEAR THAT THAT'S A WHOLE DIFFERENT INTERPRETATION SO THAT THAT'S WHY I THINK THAT'S INCORRECT NOW THAT IF WE SAY JULY IT'S FOR THE OF A WHOLE OTHER A WHOLE OTHER YEAR I THINK SO THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING IF YOU WANT IT.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR TERLAJE THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT I'M GOING TO JUST BASED ON THE INTERPRETATION PRESENTATION I WILL CALL FOR A MOMENT'S RECESS SO THAT WE CAN REGROUP AND AND VERIFY ON THE TECHNICALITY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR WE ARE IN A MOMENT'S RECESS.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS AT THIS TIME I WOULD ADDRESS THE AUTHOR OF THE AMENDMENT SENATOR TERLAJE.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AFTER CONSULTATION WITH MY COLLEAGUES I WOULD I WOULD WITHDRAW MY ORIGINAL AMENDMENT AND OFFER AN AMENDMENT TO TO REVERT THE LANGUAGE FROM JULY BACK TO AUGUST TO THE ORIGINAL AUGUST THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SO ON THAT AMENDMENT TO WITHDRAW SENATOR TERLAJE'S AMENDMENT FROM MARCH ANY OBJECTIONS NO OBJECTIONS MOTION TO WITHDRAW GRANTED AND THEN ON THE MOTION TO TAKE THE JULY MONTH AND CHANGE IT BACK TO THE ORIGINAL AUGUST ON THAT AMENDMENT ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK SENATOR SABINA PEREZ YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR PEREZ: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER I JUST HAVE A POINT OF INQUIRY THE REASON AS TO WHY THE REASON WHY THE AUTHOR CHOSE JULY I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT THE REASON WAS FOR THEM TO CHANGE IT TO JULY.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I WILL GO AHEAD AND STATE THE QUESTION SENATOR JIM MOYLAN IS AUTHOR OF THE LEGISLATION WOULD YOU LIKE TO ANSWER THE QUESTION IN REFERENCE TO WHY THE ORIGINAL MONTH OF AUGUST WAS CHANGED TO THE MONTH OF JULY KNOW OF THE AUTHOR OH I'M SORRY I'M SORRY LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY ON BEHALF OF THE VICE SPEAKER WRONG THEM PLEASE EXCUSE ME I HAD THREE CHARTER BILLS SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON WOULD YOU LIKE VERY MUCH FOR THE INQUIRY.

SENATOR SHELTON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH SPEAKER I BELIEVE THE INTENT OF CHANGING IT TO JULY WAS TO GIVE THE ADDITIONAL MONTH BUT WE'RE FINE WITH AUGUST.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU VERY MUCH SENATOR SABINA DOES THAT ANSWER IT IF NOT ANYONE ELSE ON SENATOR TERLAJE WOULD YOU LIKE TO CLOSE ON YOUR AMENDMENT OKAY ON ON THE MOTION TO CHANGE IT BACK TO THE ORIGINAL AUGUST MONTH ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES SENATOR THERESE YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH JUST ONE MORE POINT I'D LIKE TO MAKE ON THE BILLS IS ON PAGE 7 SUBSECTION D THIS THIS AMENDMENT TO THE LAW IS GOING TO ALLOW THAT CONSTRUCTING TEMPORARY STRUCTURES IF THOSE CAN BE REMOVED OR REVERTED BACK TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THEN THEN THEN THEY CAN OUR GOVERNMENT MONEY CAN PAY FOR THAT AND I JUST FEEL LIKE IT'S A VERY VAGUE MADAM SPEAKER IN THAT IT DOESN'T IT IT'S GOING TO ALLOW US BUT NORMALLY WHEN WE GIVE CHARTER SCHOOLS MONEY IT'S TO PAY FOR TEACHERS AND EVERYTHING ELSE BUT THIS WOULD ALLOW THEM TO PAY FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ALSO AND IT SAYS IF THEY ARE GOING TO REVERT IF THEY CAN BE REMOVED AND REVERTED BACK TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM BUT I GUESS THE FIRST QUESTION THAT CAME TO MY MIND IS HOW WHAT IF WE DON'T WANT THAT BACK WHY WOULD YOU KNOW I'M AND OF COURSE I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY'RE PLANNING TO BUILD AND MAYBE THEY'RE BEAUTIFUL STRUCTURES HOWEVER THEY'RE BUILDING THESE THINGS FOR THEIR PURPOSES AND AND I DON'T KNOW IT'S A BIG EXCEPTION TO ALLOW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS TO A PROPERTY THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM DOES NOT OWN AND MAY MAY HAVE NO NEED FOR BUT MAYBE SOMEONE CAN ENLIGHTEN ME OTHERWISE THOUGH I WOULD JUST SUGGEST WE DELETE THAT SECTION SUBSECTION D FROM I MEAN FROM THE BILL NOT FROM THE LAW JUST JUST THE CHANGES THAT ARE PROPOSED.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THE MOTION TO DELETE SUBSECTION G ON PAGE 7 ARE THERE ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON THAT AMENDMENT SENATOR TELO TAITAGUE I'LL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AND YOU KNOW I'D LIKE TO THINK THAT WHATEVER WE'RE SPENDING MONEY ON ESPECIALLY IF IT'S A BUILDING AN IMPROVEMENT THAT YOU KNOW WHERE IT'S LIKE WHERE GIVING THEM MONEY TO BUILD A BUILDING AND AFTER IT'S DONE IT'S LIKE LEASE-TO-OWN ALMOST THAT THE MONEY THAT WE INVESTED IS ACTUALLY GOING TO COME BACK TO US IN THE EVENT SOMETHING DOESN'T WORK OUT AND IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN THAT'S WHAT I THINK THAT'S WHAT THIS DOES IT ALLOWS US TO RECOVER ANY OF THE COSTS THAT WE'VE PUT FORWARD ON ON ANY SCHOOL IF THEY'RE

BUILDING A BUILDING THAT IT CAN COME BACK TO US WE CAN SELL IT IF WE DON'T WANT IT IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY THAT WE CAN SELL IT OFF SOMETIMES WHEN YOU INHERIT A BUILDING THE COST IS MORE COSTLY TO MANAGE THAT BUILDING THAT IT IS TO TAKE IT ON ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU'RE SHORT OF CASH TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT BUT IT ALSO GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY IS THAT IF WE TAKE THAT BUILDING BACK TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM WHICH WE BASICALLY PAID FOR IN THE FIRST PLACE WITH TAXPAYERS MONEY THEN WE SHOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY THAN TO SELL IT OR KEEP IT BUT AT LEAST WE GET THAT OPPORTUNITY SO THAT THAT'S MY ONLY CONCERN ABOUT THIS BY DELETING IT AT LEAST WE HAVE THE OPTION WE CAN RECOVER COSTS SO IF I MAY HAVE A MINUTE RECESS TO MADAM SPEAKER I THINK IF WE'RE ON THE SAME PAGE ON THAT IF THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT IT MEAN I'D LIKE TO KNOW FOR SURE AND CONSULT WITH THE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR TELO I WILL ALLOW THE THE MOMENT'S RECESS.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS WE LEFT OFF WITH SENATOR TELO TAITAGUE I WILL YOU STILL HAVE THE FLOOR.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AFTER SPEAKING WITH THE AUTHOR EVERYTHING'S BEEN CLEARED UP WHICH SHE'S GOING TO OFFER AN AMENDMENT TO SUFFICE MY CONCERNS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: OKAY THANK YOU ANYONE ELSE ON THE AMENDMENT SENATOR JOE SAN AGUSTIN.

SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN: MAN MADAM SPEAKER I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A VERY CLEAR STATEMENT FOR MY COLLEAGUES IN THIS BILL WHEN WE WANT TO TALK ABOUT BUDGETING THE COUNCIL PLAYS A ROLE ON WHAT THE CHARTERS DO WHAT THE LESS WHAT WE AS A BODY DOES EVERY YEAR IS PROVIDE IDENTIFY A BUDGET PER PUPIL COST NOTHING ELSE SO AS WE LOOK THROUGH THIS BILL AND IT TALKS ABOUT NO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS WE DON'T BUDGET WE DON'T GIVE THEM FUNDS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS IF WE WANT TO TALK ABOUT ANYTHING ELSE IN THIS BILL WE DON'T PROVIDE THEM FUNDS FOR THAT WE PROVIDE PER PUPIL COST NOW WHAT THEY DO IN THEIR BUDGET THEY GOTTA MEET WITH THE COUNCIL AND MASSAGE WHATEVER WAY THEY NEED TO DO IT BUT THAT'S ON THEM THAT'S NOT ON US NO MORE WE PROVIDE A PER PUPIL COST AND THAT'S IT AND THEN WE JUST WALK AWAY AND THEN IT'S UP TO THEM TO FLEX IT BECAUSE THEY DON'T PAY THE SAME AMOUNT THE COST A CHARTER SCHOOL IS NOT THE SAME AS A DOE SO THE QUESTION OF WHAT WE'RE TAKING MONEY CHARTER SCHOOLS TAKING MONEY FROM DOE WE DO FIX SCHOOLS IF IT DIDN'T COST US AS MUCH TO PAY FOR DOE EMPLOYEES WE PROBABLY HADN'T WE PROBABLY HAVE MORE THAN ENOUGH MONEY TO FIX SCHOOLS BUT BECAUSE THAT'S JUST THE NATURE OF THE BEAST CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES THAT'S THE COURSE THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: THANK YOU SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN ANYONE ELSE ON THE AMENDMENT AS PROFFERED BY SENATOR TERLAJE WE'RE STILL ON THE AMENDMENT AND IF THERE'S I WILL HAVE GIVE THE AUTHOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO CLOSE AS SENATOR TERLAJE I APOLOGIZE SENATOR SABINA DID HAVE A MOTION I MEAN I HAD A THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AND UNLESS OTHERWISE YOU WANT TO WITHDRAW THE AMENDMENT THANK YOU I WILL RECOGNIZE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE AT THIS TIME.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AND YES THANK YOU TO MY COLLEAGUES YES ON AFTER DISCUSSION I WOULD LIKE TO WITHDRAW THE ORIGINAL AMENDMENT TO SUBSECTION D WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN TO RESTORE IT TO THE ORIGINAL LAW BUT AND SO I WOULD LIKE TO WITHDRAW THAT AMENDMENT.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SO YOU ARE GOING TO WITHDRAW YOUR AMENDMENT ON DELETING SECTION D AM I RIGHT.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: ON DELETING THE BILL'S CHANGES TO SUBSECTION D.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YEAH YEAH OKAY ON THAT MOTION WITHOUT ANY OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES SENATOR TERLAJE I'LL STILL GIVE YOU THE FLOOR.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: THANK YOU SO I PASSED OUT A FLOOR AMENDMENT SO IT'S IN WRITING AND I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE SUBSECTION D WHICH WOULD WHICH WOULD CHANGE EXISTING LAW WHICH CURRENTLY THE LAW PROHIBITS CONSTRUCTION RECONSTRUCTION OR IMPROVING A SCHOOL YOUR CHARTER SCHOOL WITH THESE GOVERNMENT FUNDS THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS PROVIDING AND THIS BILL WOULD CREATE AN EXCEPTION TO THAT AND WOULD ALLOW SOME IMPROVEMENT AND SOME RECONSTRUCTING OF A FACILITY THAT THE CHARTER SCHOOL IS USING AND IT WILL ALSO ALLOW CONSTRUCTING TEMPORARY STRUCTURES THAT CAN BE REMOVED AND REVERTED BACK TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SO I WOULD LIKE TO ADD TO THIS PROVISION OF THE BILL THE WORDS WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MEANING YOU CAN

DO THAT TYPE OF EXCEPTION TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATORS TERLAJE ON THAT AMENDMENT ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON THE AMENDMENT SENATOR SABINA I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR PEREZ: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER IT WASN'T TOO LONG AGO THAT WE WERE DEBATING ON AN AMENDMENT FOR PREVIOUS BILL THAT REQUIRED THE ASSESSMENT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT TO SEE IF THERE'S ANY UNDERUTILIZED SCHOOLS AVAILABLE FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS AND I THINK THAT THAT AMENDMENT PROBABLY SHOULD ALSO APPLY TO THIS BILL WHERE WE SHOULD LOOK TO SEE IF THERE ARE SPACES AVAILABLE IN SCHOOLS PRIOR TO ACTUALLY USING ABOUT PUBLIC FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPORARY STRUCTURES I THINK YOU KNOW WE'RE IN A WE'RE IN A SITUATION TO WHERE WE'RE WAITING FOR THE REBUILDING OF SIMON SANCHEZ HIGH SCHOOL AND TO HAVE FUNDS DIRECTED TOWARDS A TEMPORARY STRUCTURE I FEEL IS QUESTIONABLE AND I THINK THERE HAS TO BE SOME ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT TO TO INCLUDE THE ASSESSMENT OF WHETHER THERE'S SPACE AVAILABLE IN SCHOOLS TO ALLOW FOR THESE CHARTER SCHOOLS *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'*.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR PEREZ ANYONE ELSE ON THE AMENDMENT IF NOT OTHER SENATOR TERLAJE WOULD YOU LIKE TO CLOSE.

SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE: MADAM SPEAKER THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER IS ABSOLUTELY CORRECT THAT'S THAT'S MY CONCERN WITH THIS WITH THIS PROVISION OF THIS BILL IS TO ALLOW I WAS NOT AWARE AND I'M NOT SURE HOW THAT HAPPENED BUT I WAS NOT AWARE THAT MONIES BEING SPENT TO IMPROVE OTHER FACILITIES OR OR YOU KNOW ANYTHING LIKE THAT AND SO YEAH I AGREE WHILE WE'RE WAITING FOR SIMON SANCHEZ TO BE FIXED AND MANY OTHER SCHOOLS ON THE LIST THAT HAVE BEEN PUT ON HOLD WHILE WE WAIT FOR SIMON'S SANCHEZ TO BE FIXED THAT I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THAT AND I I AM JUST TRYING TO FIND A HAPPY MEDIUM AND I'M HOPING THAT WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL WILL GIVE IT AT LEAST SOME PUBLIC SCRUTINY AND WE'LL HAVE IT PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED IN A MEETING THAT THAT'S WHAT THEY INTEND TO USE THE MONEY FOR AND I'M VERY MUCH PUTTING OUR FAITH IN THIS COUNCIL SO THAT THEY ARE GOING TO BE ABLE TO SCRUTINIZE THAT AND SEE IF THESE TEMPORARY THE CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPORARY STRUCTURES IS SOMETHING THAT WE WANT REVERT IT TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM WHERE WILL BENEFIT US THAT'S THAT'S A YOU KNOW WE'RE PUTTING FAITH AGAIN IN ANOTHER AGENCY IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH WHICH IS WHAT WE HAVE TO DO I THINK AND I GUESS WE'RE GOING TO JUST HAVE TO KEEP CLOSE EYE AND MONITOR THAT AND I'M SURE THAT THE COMMITTEE CHAIR WILL DO THAT AND AND CHANGE IT IF IT IF THEY'RE NOT ABLE TO GIVE IT THAT KIND OF SCRUTINY THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TERLAJE ON THE AMENDMENT ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NO OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES WE ARE BACK ON THE MAIN MOTION ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON THE MAIN SO SENATOR CASTRO BEFORE THE ON THE MAIN MOTION.

SENATOR CASTRO: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I WANT TO RISE IN SUPPORT OF THE BILL WITH ALL THE AMENDMENTS I THINK THE BILL AT LEAST IN PRINCIPLE STRENGTHENS THE CHARTER SCHOOL SYSTEM IT MAKES IT EQUAL TO AND NOT SUBSERVIENT TO THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION I ALSO WANT TO COMMEND THE AUTHORS OF THE BILL AND EVERYBODY WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE DISCUSSION ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF BILL 106 BASED ON THE LANGUAGE THAT'S INCORPORATED HERE IT'S OBVIOUS THAT THEY DID THEIR DUE DILIGENCE THERE WERE A LOT OF CONCERNS THAT WERE RAISED IN THE 34TH GUAM LEGISLATURE AS THE FORMER SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR ON CHARTER SCHOOLS AND I COULD SEE BASED ON THE DIFFERENT PROVISIONS OF THIS BILL THAT A LOT OF THEM HAVE BEEN CURED OR AT LEAST ARE PROPOSED TO BE ADOPTED THAT MAY ADDRESS THESE ENOUGH SPEAKER IT'S ALSO MY OPINION THAT IF THE BILL IS PASSED IT WILL ENHANCE THE STANDING OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL SYSTEM AND THAT THESE IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE CODIFIED IN THE STATUTE I THINK THIS BILL IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION AND IS REFLECTIVE OF A PROCESS ALBEIT ITERATIVE IT'S STILL AN IMPROVEMENT AND IT'S AN IMPROVEMENT THAT'S CONSISTENT WITH THE ACCREDITATION PROCESS AS WELL THROUGHOUT THE COURSE OF THE DAY SEVERAL OF US HAVE FOUND COUNSEL IN EACH OTHER THERE ARE DEFICIENCIES THAT WE STILL SEE WITHIN THE CURRENT STATUTE THAT THE BILL DOES NOT ADDRESS AND SO THE LATER TIME AS SENATOR TELO TAITAGUE THAT WE HAD REFERENCED I WILL INTRODUCE ANOTHER MEASURE THAT WE HOPE WILL COMPLEMENT THIS EFFORT YOU KNOW MADAM SPEAKER IS A FORMER CHIEF PLANNER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND ALSO HAVING SERVED HAVING HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO SERVE FORMER SPEAKER DR. JUDY T WON PAT AND HAVING HAD THOSE CONVERSATIONS WITH THE LATE SUPERINTENDENT LUIS REYES LOUIS REYES THE COMPASSIONATE SUPERINTENDENT I REMEMBER THE CONVERSATIONS WITH BOTH THE SPEAKER SUPERINTENDENT REGIS BEFORE HE PASSED WHEN I WAS STILL WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND WITH KEY STAFFERS LIKE MARK DUARTE WHERE WE WENT BACK AND FORTH ON TRYING TO PUT TOGETHER A SYSTEM THAT WE ENVISIONED WOULD BE

FLEXIBLE THAT WOULD PERMIT BE INNOVATIVE TO MAKE CERTAIN CHANGES WHETHER IT'S TO THE OPERATIONS OR THE FINANCING OR EVEN EVEN HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE CORE CURRICULUM AS THEY SAW FIT AND AS WAS CONSISTENT WITH THE MISSION OF THE SCHOOL AND SO I THINK I THINK THAT BILL 106 AS WRITTEN WITH THE AMENDMENTS IS DEFINITELY A STEP TO HELPING US REALIZE THAT IT'S IT'S A SIGNAL TO THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND IN THE GREATER REGION THAT OUR CHARTER SCHOOL SYSTEM IS MATURING WE SEE THE DEFICIENCIES AND WE'RE MAKING IMPROVEMENTS MADAM SPEAKER I ALSO WANT TO STATE FOR THE RECORD THAT THE BILL ADDRESSES A COUPLE THINGS FIRST IN MY OPINION IT ESTABLISHES CERTAIN INTERNAL CONTROLS THAT HELPS TO PREVENT CONFLICTS OF INTEREST THERE ARE ALSO VERY EXPLICIT PROVISIONS IN THE BILL MADAM SPEAKER THAT ESTABLISHES CONTROLS THAT ARE BOTH OUTSIDE OF THE SCHOOL OR THE CHARTER SCHOOL AND OUTSIDE THE ENTIRE CHARTER SCHOOL SYSTEM ITSELF AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST MADAM SPEAKER AGAIN MY COMMENDATION TO THE AUTHORS AND THE TECHNICAL STAFF WHO PUT THIS TOGETHER THERE'S A KEY PROVISION IN THE BILL AS WRITTEN THAT PROTECTS THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM FROM ANY LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS AND LIABILITIES I THINK THIS IS A TREMENDOUS PIECE TO TAKE US FORWARD I WANT TO COMMEND THE AUTHORS AND AGAIN I WANT TO RESTATE MY POSITION FOR BILL 106 WITH THE AMENDMENTS THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: YOU'RE VERY WELCOME ANYONE ELSE ON THE MAIN MOTION IF NOT SENATOR LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED SENATOR CASTRO.

SENATOR CASTRO: I BET THEY DON'T.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: I WILL ALLOW YOU THIS EXTRA TIME.

SENATOR CASTRO: GREAT WELL THIS ONE WILL BE ON THE MAIN MOTION MADAM SPEAKER THIS IS AN AMENDMENT A PROPOSED AMENDMENT AND I BEG THE INDULGENCE OF THE BODY I THANK THE SPOKESPERSON FOR THE COMMITTEE CHAIR FOR REMINDING ME SEVERAL OF US ARE IN CONCURRENCE TO THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED AMENDMENT ON PAGE 8 LINE 14 SECTION 8 EFFECTIVE DATE THIS ACT SHALL BE EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT SO WE WOULD STRIKE ON OCTOBER 1ST 2019 THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT AGAIN MADAM SPEAKER AND FORGIVE ME FOR NOT HAVING WRITTEN IT DOWN IS THIS ACT SHALL BE EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES SENATOR CASTRO DONE THANK YOU SENATOR SHELTON YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER AND I'D LIKE TO THANK OUR COLLEAGUES FOR THE LIVELY DEBATE AND ALL OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BILL THAT'S FAR BEFORE CLOSING I'D LIKE TO OFFER TWO AMENDMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN PASSED OUT THE FIRST AMENDMENT WILL BE ON LINE 12 PAGE 8 TO AMEND THE BILL TO READ LETTER G ALL STRIKE OUT THE WORD REMAINING FISCAL YEAR 2019 FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL STRIKE OUT AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR THEN CONTINUE TO READ MAY BE USED TO PAY PRIOR YOUR OBLIGATIONS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION ARE THERE ANY OBJECTIONS HEARING NONE MOTION CARRIES SENATOR SHELTON YOU'RE STILL RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY THANK YOU AND THEN ONE MORE AMENDMENT TO ADD A NEW SECTION TO THE BILL TO READ A NEW SECTION OH YES IT'S PAGE EIGHT A NEW SECTION F JUST TO REFRESH WE DID IN AN EARLIER MOTION STRIKEOUT SECTION F SO I'D LIKE TO READ PLACE HERE WITH THE NEW SECTION F TO READ SECTION 12 1 1 9 OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED 2 IS AMENDED TO READ THERE IS HEREBY I'M SORRY I LOST MY PLACE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR THAT WOULD BE A NEW SECTION AFTER G SO JUST ADDING A NEW SECTION IT'S IT'S A NEW SECTION TO THE BILL RIGHT YES OKAY PLEASE PROCEED NO.

SENATOR SHELTON: OKAY THERE IS HEREBY CREATED SEPARATE AND APART FROM OTHER FUNDS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM THEY FUND KNOWN AS THE GUAM ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL FUND THE FUNDS SHALL NOT BE COMMINGLED WITH ANY OTHER FUND AND SHALL BE KEPT IN A SEPARATE BANK ACCOUNT AND ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION SO IT WOULD STRIKE OUT THE GUAM ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL AND REPLACED WITH DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION FOR THE OPERATIONS OF GUAM ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS THE GUAM ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL SHALL MAKE QUARTERLY REPORTS OF EXPENDITURES FROM THE FUND AND TRANSMIT SAID REPORTS *I LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN* AND THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY YES AND TO ALLOW THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE TITLE REFLECTING THE SAME.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION SENATOR TELO I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER AT THE BEGINNING OF THE THE AUTHOR OF THE AMENDMENT I WASN'T QUITE I DIDN'T QUITE HEAR WHAT SHE CAN I TAKE A SHORT RECESS BECAUSE ON ON THIS AMENDMENT THAT WAS PASSED OUT IT DOESN'T SHOW THE PAGE NUMBER AND DOESN'T SHOW AREAS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: TO ADD A NEW SECTION OF THE AT THE END OF THE PAGE.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: OKAY IF I COULD TAKE A PROCESS BECAUSE THIS IS ALMOST CONTRADICTED BECAUSE MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: SENATOR TELO WILL GO AHEAD AND TAKE A MOMENT RECESS.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS BACK FROM RECESS SENATOR TAITAGUE YOU STILL HAVE THE FLOOR.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I WAS ABLE TO TALK TO THE AUTHOR OF THE AMENDMENT AND IT'S IT'S JUST A MATTER OF ON PAGE A PAGE EIGHT THAT IT CREATES THIS IS NOW SECTION EIGHT AND WHAT IS SECTION EIGHT NOW BECOMES SECTION NINE THAT'S RIGHT AND IT WAS EXPLAINED TO ME MADAM SPEAKER THAT THIS IS THE PART THE AMENDMENT THAT WAS MADE IS THE PART OF THE LAW IN CHAPTER 1 2 1 1 9 OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 WHICH TALKS ABOUT THE FUND ITSELF THE CREATION OF THE FUND SO EVEN THOUGH ON PAGE 7 LETTER E IT DISGUSTS THIS BUT IN A DIFFERENT SECTION OF LAW UNDER FUNDING WHICH IS 12 1 1 6 SO IT IS APPROPRIATE MADAM SPEAKER THIS AMENDMENT FALLS UNDER THIS CHAPTER AND BECOMES SECTION 8 SO I STAND IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS AMENDMENT THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* ON THE AMENDMENT ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK IF NOT US LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY WOULD YOU LIKE TO CLOSE OR ASK FOR THE VOTE ON THE MOTION ON THE MEN ON THE AMENDMENT WITHOUT ANY OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY YOU STILL HAVE THE FLOOR TO CLOSE.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER AND THEN ONCE AGAIN I'D LIKE TO THANK OUR COLLEAGUES ON BEHALF OF THE VICE SPEAKER WHO IS THE MAIN SPONSOR OF THIS BILL WHO IS CURRENTLY ON MILITARY DUTY I JUST LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THAT SHE REALLY WISHED TO BE HERE TO ADVOCATE FOR THIS LEGISLATION BUT AS SHE IS SERVING OUR COUNTRY AT THE MOMENT AND SO I'D ALSO LIKE TO ONCE AGAIN THANK OUR COLLEAGUES WHO WHO HELPED REALLY BUILD THIS DISCUSSION AND STRENGTHEN THIS BILL TO HELP WITH THE BUDGETARY AND ORGANIZATIONAL PROCESSES OF OF CHARTER SCHOOLS AND WITH THAT I'D LIKE TO MOVE THIS BILL TO THE VOTING FILE.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION WITHOUT ANY OBJECTION MOTION CARRIES LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WE'RE JUST GOING TO TAKE A MOMENT'S RECESS TO WORK THE LOGISTICS SO WE ARE IN RECESS FOR A MOMENT.

RECESS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* IS CALLED BACK FROM RECESS ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR KELLY MARSH TAITANO YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER WE HAVE EXHAUSTED THE ITEMS ON THE SECOND READING FILE AND I MOVE WE GO TO THE THIRD READING VOTING FILE I FURTHER MOVE THAT WE RECESS UNTIL 2:30 P.M. TOMORROW.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION WITHOUT ANY OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES WE ARE IN RECESS TILL TOMORROW AFTERNOON HAVE A GOOD EVENING COLLEAGUES *SAINA MA'ÁSE'*.

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SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: MANANA SI YU'OS I MINA TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN IS BACK FROM RECESS TO MY COLLEAGUES WE ARE NOW ON ITEM 18 CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY FILE BILL NUMBER 107-35 LS CLERKS POT' FABOTPLEASE READ THE TITLE.

CLERKS: BILL NUMBER 107-35 LS AS AMENDED ON THE FLOOR INTRODUCED BY TALENA CRUZ NELSON AMANDA L SHELTON JOE S SON AUGUSTINE JAMES C MOYLAN AND ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 12107 U 12113A AND B AND 1214 A AND D AND TO ADD NEW SECTIONS 12113 E 3 AND 12114 A 6 WALL OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO ACCREDITATION AND THE RENEWAL PERIOD FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS ACCREDITATION STATUS AND ALLEVIATING THE CAUSES OF PROBATION FOR THE SAME

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: CLERK ROLL CALL PLEASE.

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE: SENATOR CASTRO SENATOR CASTRO (AYE) SENATOR LEE SENATOR LEE (PASS) SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO) SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO) (AYE) SENATOR MOYLAN SENATOR MOYLAN (AYE) SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (AYE) SENATOR MUÑA SENATOR MUÑA (AYE) VICE-SPEAKER NELSON VICE-SPEAKER NELSON.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER MARSH TAITANO CAN YOU PLEASE EXCUSE THE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SAINA MA'ÅSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO EXCUSE THOSE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT TODAY.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THAT MOTION WITHOUT ANY OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES.

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE: VICE SPEAKER NELSON (EXCUSED) SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR RIDGELL SENATOR RIDGELL (AYE) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR SHELTON (AYE) SENATOR TAITAGUE SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE (AYE) SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE (AYE) SENATOR TORRES SENATOR TORRES (AYE) SENATOR LEE SENATOR LEE (AYE).

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: BILL NUMBER 107-35 LS RECEIVED 14 AYES ZERO NAYS 1 EXCUSED ABSENCE BILL NUMBER 107-35 LS IS DULY PASSED BY THIS BODY BILL NUMBER 57-35 COR CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

CLERKS: BILL NUMBER 57-35 COR AS AMENDED ON THE FLOOR INTRODUCED BY JAMES C MOYLAN AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 12106 G OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE PROCESS OF APPROVING OR DENYING CHARTER SCHOOL PETITIONS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: MADAM CLERK ROLL CALL PLEASE.

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE: SENATOR CASTRO SENATOR CASTRO (AYE) SENATOR LEE SENATOR LEE (NAY) SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO) SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO) (AYE) SENATOR MOYLAN SENATOR MOYLAN (AYE) SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (PASS) SENATOR MUÑA SENATOR MUÑA (AYE) VICE-SPEAKER NELSON VICE-SPEAKER NELSON VICE SPEAKER NELSON (EXCUSED) SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR PEREZ (PASS) SENATOR RIDGELL SENATOR RIDGELL (AYE) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR SHELTON (PASS) SENATOR TAITAGUE SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE (AYE) SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE (PASS) SENATOR TORRES SENATOR TORRES (AYE) SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (AYE) SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR PEREZ (PASS) SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR SHELTON (AYE) SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE SENATOR

THERESE TERLAJE (PASS) SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE (NAY).

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: BILL NUMBER 57-35 COR RECEIVED 12 AYES 2 NAYS AND ONE AND ONE EXCUSED ABSENT BILL NUMBER 57-35 COR IS DULY PASSED BY THIS BODY COLLEAGUES BILL NUMBER 106-35 LS CLERKS PLEASE READ THE TITLE.

CLERK: BILL NUMBER 106-35 LS AS AMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AIR TRANSPORTATION AND STATISTICS RESEARCH AND PLANNING AND FURTHER AMENDED ON THE FLOOR INTRODUCED BY TELENA CRUZ NELSON JOE S SAN AGUSTIN AMANDA L SHELTON JAMES C MOYLAN AND ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 12103 G 12106 A 12107 N AND N 8 12108 A 12111 A B AND D 12116 B THROUGH F AND 12119 AND TO ADD NEW SECTIONS 121072 AND 12111 G AND H ALL OF CHAPTER 12 TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO SEPARATING THE GUAM ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS BUDGETARY AND ORGANIZATIONAL PROCESS FROM THAT OF THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC AUDIT AUDITOR TO SUPERVISE AUDITS ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR THE GUAM ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL COUNCIL BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND APPEALS BOARD AND ESTABLISHING ROWS DEADLINES AND USE OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES MADAM CLERK ROLL CALL PLEASE.

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE: SENATOR CASTRO SENATOR CASTRO (AYE) SENATOR LEE SENATOR LEE (PASS) SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO) SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO) (AYE) SENATOR MOYLAN SENATOR MOYLAN (AYE) SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES (AYE) SENATOR MUÑA SENATOR MUÑA (AYE) VICE-SPEAKER NELSON VICE-SPEAKER NELSON VICE SPEAKER NELSON (EXCUSED) SENATOR PEREZ SENATOR PEREZ (AYE) SENATOR RIDGELL SENATOR RIDGELL (AYE) SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN SENATOR SAN AGUSTIN (AYE) SENATOR SHELTON SENATOR SHELTON (AYE) SENATOR TAITAGUE SENATOR TAITAGUE (AYE) SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE (AYE) SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE SENATOR THERESE TERLAJE (AYE) SENATOR TORRES SENATOR TORRES (AYE) SENATOR LEE SENATOR LEE (PASS).

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: BILL NUMBER 106-35 LS RECEIVED 14 AYES ZERO NAYS AND ONE EXCUSED ABSENCE BILL NUMBER 106-35 LS IS DULY PASSED BY THIS BODY. ON THE NOMINATION OF PATRICIA ANN P ADA TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE *HAGATNA* RESTORATION & REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND PATRICIA ANN P ADA RECEIVED MAJORITY SUPPORT AND IS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS BODY ON THE NOMINATION OF JOAQUIN A BELLUS TO SERVE AS A YOUTH MEMBER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND JOAQUIN A BELLUS RECEIVED MAJORITY SUPPORT AND IS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS BODY ON THE NOMINATION OF CHRISTOPHER A CRUZ TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF GUAM ETHICS COMMISSION ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HAND CHRISTOPHER A CRUZ RECEIVED A MAJORITY SUPPORT AND IS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS BODY ON THE NOMINATION OF DEEPAK R. DEJUAN TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HAND MR. DEEPAK R. DEJUAN RECEIVED A MAJORITY SUPPORT AND IS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS BODY ON THE NOMINATION OF FRANKLIN P LEON GUERRERO TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM PAROLE BOARD ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND MR. FRANKLIN P LEON GUERRERO RECEIVE MAJORITY SUPPORT AND HIS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS BODY ON THE NOMINATION OF JOHN C. LEON GUERRERO TO SERVE AS MEMBER OF THE GUAM REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND MR. JOHN C. LEON GUERRERO RECEIVED MAJORITY SUPPORT AND IS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS BODY ON THE NOMINATION OF KARLIN RCG BORJA TO SERVE AS AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM EDUCATIONAL BOARD ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HAND MISS KARLIN RCG BORJA RECEIVED MAJORITY SUPPORT AND IS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS BODY ON THE NOMINATION OF DR. ARANEA O ALLISON TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINER'S ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HAND DR. ARANEA O ALLISON RECEIVED MAJORITY SUPPORT AND IS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS BODY ON THE NOMINATION OF EVANGELINE FR ALLEN TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND EVANGELINE FR ALLEN RECEIVED MAJORITY SUPPORT AND IS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS BODY. ON THE NOMINATION OF DIANA B KABUL TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE RAISE YOUR HANDS DIANA B KABUL RECEIVED MAJORITY SUPPORT AND IS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS PARTY ON THE NOMINATION OF EVELYN R. DUENAS TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE GUAM REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE SIGNIFY BY RAISING YOUR HAND EVELYN R DUENAS RECEIVED MAJORITY

SUPPORT AND IS DULY CONFIRMED BY THIS BODY LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WE ARE NOW ON ITEM NUMBER 18 BRIEF EXTENSION OF REMARKS THE FLOOR IS NOW OPENED JUST SAY LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY AND SENATOR AMANDA SHELTON YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

SENATOR SHELTON: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER I JUST LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TODAY TO RECOGNIZE OUR WAR SURVIVORS AS WE CELEBRATE THE 75TH LIBERATION OF GUAM TO THANK THEM FOR THE MANY CONTRIBUTIONS THAT THEY HAVE MADE TO OUR ISLAND REBUILDING THE ISLAND AFTER THE WAR FOR ALL OF THE SACRIFICES THAT THEY HAVE MADE TO GIVE OUR SINCERE AND *UN DANKOLU NA SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* TO THEM I'D ALSO LIKE TO YOU KNOW JUST REMIND EVERYONE AT HOME OF THE OF WHAT THIS TIME IN OUR HISTORY REALLY MEANS THAT WE CELEBRATE THE 75TH LIBERATION DAY THAT WE MUST NEVER FORGET THE DIFFICULT MOMENTS THE TRAUMATIC MOMENTS OF OUR HISTORY AND WE HOLD THOSE MEMORIES DEAR DEAR WHILE WE CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD I'D ALSO LIKE TO YOU KNOW WISH EVERYONE A 75TH LIBERATION DAY AND REMIND EVERYONE OF THE FESTIVITIES THAT ARE STILL TO COME AS WE'VE BEEN A PARTNER IN THE DIFFERENT MEMORIALS THAT TODAY WE WILL GO TO ANOTHER MEMORIAL IN YONA AND ANOTHER AND THE CARNIVAL THAT IS STILL BEING HELD AND OF COURSE THE LIBERATION DAY PARADE SO *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY SHELTON THANK YOU VERY MUCH I WILL RECOGNIZE SAINA SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE AND THEN SENATOR TELO TAITAGUE *CONSIGA MONA*.

SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE: I JUST WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE MADAM SPEAKER THAT WE'RE HAVING THE MEMORIAL FOR ASINA TODAY AT 4 O'CLOCK SO I URGE ALL MY COLLEAGUES TO PLEASE JOIN US THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR PEDO TERLAJE SENATOR TELO TAITAGUE I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU.

SENATOR TAITAGUE: THANK YOU MADAM SPEAKER AND I'D LIKE TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES - FOR YESTERDAY'S DELIBERATION ON THESE BILLS THAT WERE PUT FORTH TODAY THAT THAT PASSED THIS LEGISLATURE AND ON ITS WAY TO THE GOVERNOR FOR HER HOPEFULLY FOR HER SIGNATURE SIGNATURE BUT WITH THE PREMISE THAT BILL 180 WAS JUST INTRODUCED FOR SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES AS WELL AS MYSELF WHO HAD CONCERNS WITH THE ACCOUNTABILITY SO OF OF THE BILLS THAT WERE PASSED TODAY AND TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS SOMEONE OVERSEEING THIS AND AND MAKING SURE THERE'S A BALANCE MADAM SPEAKER SO I HOPE THAT BILL 180 WILL HAVE A A QUICK PUBLIC HEARING TO ADDRESS SOME OF THOSE CONCERNS AND I'D LIKE TO THANK FOR THE THE BRIDGE OF BOTH PARTIES COMING TOGETHER AND MAKING THIS A REALITY ON BILL 180 THANK YOU.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: *SI YU'OS MA'ÁSE'* SENATOR TAITAGUE ANYONE ELSE WISHING TO SPEAK ON THE FOR EXTENSION OF REMARKS IF NOT BEFORE I CALL THE ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER I - AND BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM THE 35TH QUALM LEGISLATURE WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE GREATEST GENERATION THAT EVER LIVED OUR SAINAS THAT ARE STILL ALIVE BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY THAT IN THEIR EFFORTS THE FREEDOMS THAT WE HAVE TODAY IS BECAUSE OF THEM WE HONOR THEM WE RECOGNIZE THEM AND WE TRULY CELEBRATE WHY WE ARE HERE AS ISLAND PEOPLE (CHAMORU) ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER *CONSIGA MONA POT FABOT*.

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER SENATOR MARSH (TAITANO): *SI YO'US MA'ÁSE'* MADAM SPEAKER MADAM SPEAKER I MOVE TO ADJOURN THIS SESSION SUBJECT TO THE CALL OF THE SPEAKER.

SPEAKER MUÑA BARNES: ON THE MOTION TO ADJOURN THIS SESSION SUBJECT TO THE CALL OF THE SPEAKER WITHOUT ANY OBJECTIONS MOTION CARRIES WE ARE ADJOURNED *SI YO'US MA'ÁSE'* COLLEAGUES AND HAVE A WONDERFUL LIBERATION CELEBRATION *SAINA MA'ÁSE'*.

END.