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176-36 (LS)	Frank Blas Jr.	AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 19603(a)(2) OF ARTICLE 6, CHAPTER 19, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO VACCINATION AND TREATMENT DURING A STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY.	8/9/21 4:40 p.m.	8/17/21	Committee on Health, Land, Justice, and Culture	9/3/21 4:00 p.m.	10/27/21 9:38 a.m. As Amended by the Committee on Health, Land, Justice and Culture	Request: 8/17/21 8/24/21	11/12/21 5:04 p.m. Supplemental to the Committee Report on Bill No. 176-36 (LS) As amended by the Committee.

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November 12, 2021

MEMO

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Clynton E. Ridgell**
Acting Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Re: **Supplemental to the Committee Report on Bill No. 176-36 (LS) As amended**

Håfa adai,

Please include this memo and attached documents as a "Supplement to the Committee Report" for the Committee Report on **Bill No. 176-36 (LS) As amended by the Committee on Health, Land, Justice and Culture.**

Please make the appropriate indication in your records and forward to MIS for posting on our website. I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mary Maravilla, Committee on Rules Director, at 472-2461.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse',

Senator Clynton E. Ridgell
Acting Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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THERESE M. TERLAJE
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Committee on Health, Land, Justice and Culture

October 29, 2021

The Honorable Amanda L. Shelton
Acting Chairperson, Committee on Rules
I Mina'trentai Sais na Liheslaturan Guåhan
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Hagåtña, Guam 96910

SUBJECT: Supplemental testimony for Committee Report on Bill No. 176-36 (LS), As Amended by the Committee on Health, Land, Justice and Culture

Håfa Adai Acting Chairperson Shelton,

Please find appended to this letter supplemental testimony for Bill No. 176-36(LS) received on October 29, 2021. I respectfully request that the document be included as a supplemental to the Committee Report for Bill No. 176-36(LS), As Amended by the Committee.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Therese M. Terlaje

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Hafa Adai Speaker Therese Terlaje and Vice Speaker Tina M. Barnes,

For the record and as presented aurally at the September 3, 2021 public hearing, attached is my written testimony on Bill No. 176-36.

Thank you,

lillian

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August 27, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders and Media

From: Speaker Therese M. Terlaje, Chairperson
Committee on Health, Land, Justice and Culture

Subject: **FIRST NOTICE of Hybrid Public Hearing – Friday, September 3, 2021 beginning at 9:00 AM**

Buenas yan Håfa Adai,

Please be advised that the Committee on Health, Land, Justice and Culture will convene a hybrid public hearing, for combined in-person attendance at the Guam Congress Building and virtual attendance via the Legislature's virtual Zoom platform on **Friday, September 3, 2021, beginning at 9:00 a.m.**, for the following agenda items:

9:00 A.M:

- **Appointment of John Lizama** – to serve as a Member, Guam Parole Board (Public-At-Large Representative) for a term length of four (4) years; May 19, 2018, to May 8, 2022

- **Bill No. 154-36 (COR)-** V. Anthony Ada / James C. Moylan / Christopher M. Dueñas / Frank Blas Jr. – "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUBARTICLE 3 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 61, TITLE 21, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO ALLOWING THE CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS (ADU) TO RESIDENTIALLY ZONED LOTS."

11:00 A.M:

- 36GL-21-0958 - Department of Public Health and Social Services - DPHSS' Proposed Rules and Regulations Governing the Issuance of Sanitary Permits.

- **Bill 96-36 (LS)** Committee on Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth and Senior Citizens by request of I Kongressun Manhoben Guåhan, the Guam Youth Congress, in accordance with 2 GCA § 7102. – "AN ACT TO AMEND § 72157(b) OF CHAPTER 72, TITLE 11; AMEND §§ 24101 AND 24102, AND ADD A NEW § 24108 TO CHAPTER 24, ALL OF TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXEMPTING HOME KITCHENS LICENSED AS A HOME INDUSTRY FROM SANITATION LAWS AND STIPULATING REQUIREMENTS FOR THESE HOME KITCHENS."

2:00 P.M:

- **Oversight Hearing**- Department of Public Health & Social Services

4:00 P.M:

- **Bill 180-36 (LS)** - James C. Moylan / Frank Blas Jr. / Christopher M. Dueñas – "AN ACT TO AMEND § 19404 OF CHAPTER 19, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF ORDERS, RELATED TO CITATIONS, FINES, AND MANDATORY VACCINES, ESTABLISHED BY THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM DURING A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY."

- **Bill 176-36 (LS)** - Frank Blas Jr. – "AN ACT TO AMEND §19603 OF TITLE 11 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED CHAPTER 19 ARTICLE 6 RELATIVE TO VACCINATION AND TREATMENT DURING A DECLARED STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY."

You can access a copy of each agenda item through the links above. Individuals are invited to provide live testimony on any of the agenda items. Please contact the Office of Speaker Therese M. Terlaje at 472-3586 or email senatorterlajeguam@gmail.com to register, with your contact specific agenda item you will testify on and mode of attendance. **Registration deadline is 5:00 PM on Thursday, September 2, 2021. Social Distance guidelines will be adhered to.**

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GMHA Hospital Administrator/CEO Testimony on the

Legislative Public Hearing of Bill No. 176-36

September 3, 2021

"***AN ACT TO AMEND §19603 OF TITLE 11 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED CHAPTER 19 ARTICLE 6 RELATIVE TO VACCINATION AND TREATMENT DURING A DECLARED STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY."***

Buenas yan Hafa Adai Speaker Therese Terlaje, Senator Frank Blas and members of this 36 Guam Legislature.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on this Bill #176-36. My name is Lillian Perez-Posadas. I am the Hospital Administrator of GMHA. As a healthcare professional, a Registered Nurse with over 40 years in not only clinical nursing practice but also in nursing leadership, management, academic/education and now in my current position overseeing the entire operations of our only public hospital, I am here before you all to testify in opposition of this proposed legislation.

This bill is in complete opposition to what our healthcare workers in the clinical and non-clinical operations of the hospital…what we've been battling as front-liners to stand up the care and services for individuals infected with COVID! Many of us healthcare workers risk our lives to provide the care, to ensure we keep the hospital open and operating as safely and efficiently as we can…to ensure we have the staff we need.

There is credible empirical scientific evidence that this vaccine is effective and safe. I got vaccinated because I want to make sure that I am safe and available to show up for work, to encourage and support our hospital employees, to give them some clarity and certainty that although this COVID virus is frightening and unpredictable, we have a weapon…and that is the vaccine.

We are battling this highly contagious/infectious virus as a community not as individuals for the few so that Guam's entire healthcare system and limited hospital capacity is not overwhelmed.

To legislate the vaccine, whether it's the COVID vaccine or any other vaccine or medication is not within the legislature's expertise. The mandatory vaccine is not a FORCED vaccine. Individuals are still allowed to declare their inability or unwillingness to undergo vaccination for reasons of health, religion or conscience however, in doing so, they will be subject to weekly testing so that to prevent the spread of contagious or possibly contagious disease. To state that public health authority may isolate or quarantine, that is already instituted and operationalized.

My husband got vaccinated so that he is protected. Our son and his girlfriend also got vaccinated so that they protect themselves and in doing so, he is protecting his elderly parents.

Just as we're all required to have a Guam driver's license, some individuals choose not to get license however, should an individual choose to drive without a driver's license and is pulled to the side of the road by a police officer for whatever reason, the police officer will ask the individual for a driver's license. If no driver's license, there will be consequences imposed on the driver.

While I appreciate and understand the intent of this legislation, this epic COVID battle is not about an individual or personal freedom and right to declare one's inability or unwillingness to vaccinate for reasons of health, religion or conscience…it's about our communal duty and responsibility to protect the health and safety of our island community especially those who cannot or do not meet the age-criteria/qualification for the vaccination criteria. We all have a moral obligation to do what is best for the greater good of our society, to do no harm especially for children under the age of 12 who are not eligible to receive the vaccine. We are seeing more babies and young children testing positive for the COVID-19 infection.

Thank you Speaker Terlaje, Senator Frank Blas and all Senators present at this hearing for giving us this opportunity to share our thoughts with regards to this proposed legislation. Equally appreciated is the open forum to engage in a deliberate and respectful dialogue.

Senseramente yan agradisimentu.

Lillian Perez-Posadas, RN, MN

Hospital Administrator/CEO