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I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2009 (FIRST) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO *I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN*

This is to certify that **Bill No. 65 (LS), "AN ACT TO *AMEND* §1900 OF CHAPTER 19, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO RENAME THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR THE 'OFFICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY',"** was on the 29th day of May 2009, duly and regularly passed.

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed. D.
Speaker

Attested:

Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'lahen Guåhan* this 4 day of June, 2009, at 9 o'clock 55 A.M.

Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'lahi's Office

APPROVED:

FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga'lahen Guåhan

Date: _____

Public Law No. _____

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As amended on the Floor.

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AN ACT TO *AMEND* §1900 OF CHAPTER 19, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO RENAME THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR THE "OFFICE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY".

BE IT ENACED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the current title of the Office of the Public Auditor appears to imply an office of an individual rather than the function of the office.

Oftentimes, the findings of an audit may be attributed to the elected individual, as opposed to an actual finding of the audit *or* investigation, especially *if* the audit findings reflect questionable accountability issues.

Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to make the title of the office reflective of its mission and purpose by amending Title 1 GCA, Chapter 19, §1900.

Section 2. §1900, Chapter 19, Title 1 of the Guam Code Annotated, is *amended* to read as follows:

"**§1900. Office of Public Accountability.** There is an instrumentality of the government of Guam, independent of the executive, legislative and judicial branches, known as the *Office of Public Accountability.*"

Section 3. The Compiler of Laws *shall* have the authority to make changes throughout the Guam Code Annotated to reflect this office name change, where appropriate.