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Bill Log Sheet

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES
132-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 11 TO PUBLIC LAW 30-200 RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE BORROWING ABILITY OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BY INCLUDING THE AUTHORIZATION TO ALSO ENTER INTO REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS, AND DIRECT LOAN FUNDS.	06/03/13 2:47 p.m.	06/03/13 & RE-REFERRED ON 06/04/13	Committee on Health and Human Services, Health Insurance Reform, Economic Development and Senior Citizens	6/12/13 9a.m.	6/17/13, 12:09pm	**06/03/13 Referred to Committee on Appropriations, Public Debt, Legal Affairs, Retirement, Public Parks, Recreation, Historic Preservation, and Land FISCAL NOTE Received 6/27/13 10:25 a.m.**
	DATE PASSED	**TITLE**	**TRANSMITTED**		**DUE DATE**	**DATE SIGNED BY I MAGA'LAHEN GUAHAN**	**PUBLIC LAW NO.**	**NOTES**
	6/24/2013	AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW SUBSECTION 10 AND A NEW SUBSECTION 11 TO §80109(s) OF DIVISION 4, CHAPTER 80 OF TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE BORROWING ABILITY OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BY PLEDGING COMPACT IMPACT FUNDS AS A REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE BALANCE; AND TO PROHIBIT NET PAY BY THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY.	6/26/13	3:00pm	7/8/13			As substituted by the Committee on Health & Human Services,Health Insurance Reform, Economic Development,and Senior Citizens; and amended on the Floor.

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

This is to certify that **Substitute Bill No. 132-32 (LS), "AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW SUBSECTION 10 AND A NEW SUBSECTION 11 TO §80109(S) OF DIVISION 4, CHAPTER 80 OF TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE BORROWING ABILITY OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BY PLEDGING COMPACT IMPACT FUNDS AS A REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR THE ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE BALANCE; AND TO PROHIBIT NET PAY BY THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY",** was on the 24th day of June, 2013, duly and regularly passed.

Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Acting Speaker

Attested:

Thomas C. Ada
Acting Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'lahen Guåhan* this 26th day of June, 2013, at 3:00 o'clock P.M.

Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'lahi's Office

APPROVED:

EDWARD J.B. CALVO
I Maga'lahen Guåhan

Date: _____

Public Law No. _____

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Bill No 132-32 (LS)
As substituted by the Committee on Health & Human Services,
Health Insurance Reform, Economic Development,
and Senior Citizens; and amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority is seriously underfunded, resulting in consistent, chronic shortages in all operational areas that jeopardize the ability of the Guam Memorial Hospital to adequately fulfill its mission.

The full scope and negative impact of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority's outstanding debts, in excess of Twenty-three Million Dollars ($23,000,000), came to light during the Joint Status Hearing conducted by the Committee on Health & Human Services and the Committee on Appropriations, Public Debt, Legal Affairs, Retirement, Public Parks, Recreation, Historic Preservation and Land on April 18, 2012. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that in 2012, the federally approved discount provider for medical supplies intercepted approximately Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000) (taken from Medicare reimbursements through the U.S. Treasury), for non-payment of GMHA's debt. In March 2013, GMHA, through the efforts of Governor Edward Calvo, paid Five Million Dollars ($5,000,000) of its outstanding obligations using Compact-Impact funds, thus reducing its obligation to approximately Eighteen Million Dollars ($18,000,000) as of March 31, 2013. The retirement of GMHA's debt is essential to its ability to focus on patient care and its preventive programs. The provision of medical care should be the core of the Hospital's mission, not the burden placed on operations by its debt. For the past seven months in Fiscal Year 2013, GMHA has accumulated approximately over half a million dollars in interest charges from vendors. This added burden further exacerbates GMHA's financial condition.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that Public Law 30-200, as amended by Public Law 30-235, authorized the GMHA to enter into a line of credit, revolving fund, or direct loan not to exceed Twenty-five Million Dollars ($25,000,000). However, only Twelve Million Dollars ($12,000,000) has been borrowed to date. *I*

Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that Governor Edward Calvo has committed to pledge Two Million Dollars ($2,000,000) annually from Compact Impact funds to the Guam Memorial Authority specifically to use as a repayment source for this purpose.

It is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to allow the financing of GMHA's debt using *I Maga'lahen Guåhan's* pledge of Compact Impact funds as the repayment source for the additional Thirteen Million Dollars ($13,000,000) balance or any available balance of the Twenty-five Million Dollars ($25,000,000) borrowing authority, pursuant to Public Law 30-200, whichever is greater.

Section 2. A new Subsection (10), in conformance with Public Law 30-235, and a Subsection (11) are hereby *added* to § 80109(s) of Chapter 80, Division 4 of Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, to read as follows:

"(10) This Guarantee is a general obligation of the government of Guam, subject to the full faith and credit of the government of Guam. The Guarantor consents to any and all extension of time and waiver or modification of obligations guaranteed hereunder.

(11) *I Maga'lahen Guåhan,* the Governor of Guam, at his discretion and with his consent, may pledge Compact Impact Funds received from the Department of Interior as a source of funding to secure the balance of the Twenty-five Million Dollar line of credit, revolving loan fund, and/or a direct loan authorized in this Act to be used for the reduction of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority's vendor payables."

Section 3. Net Pay Not Permitted. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, rule, or regulation, no certifying officer, administrator, or employee of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority shall authorize the issuance of net pay at the authority. For the purpose of this Section, "net pay" *shall* mean the remaining amount after deductions from the gross salary, where net means ultimate and an

amount is issued to an employee without the full payment of all payroll deductions due to each employee at the Authority. The issuance of net pay by any certifying officer, administrator, or employee of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority *shall* be grounds for termination.

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I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN

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Voting Sheet

Speaker Antonio R. Unipingco Legislative Session Hall

SBill No: 132-32 (COR)

NAME	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent
Senator Thomas "Tom" C. ADA	✓				
Senator V. Anthony "Tony" ADA	✓				
Senator Frank Blas AGUON Jr.	✓				
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. CRUZ	✓				
Senator Christopher M. DUENAS	✓				
Senator Michael LIMTIACO	✓				
Senator Brant McCREADIE	✓				
Senator Thomas "Tommy" MORRISON	✓				
Senator Tina Rose MUÑA BARNES	✓				
Senator Vicente (ben) Cabrera PANGELINAN	✓				
Senator Rory J. RESPICIO	✓				
Senator Dennis G. RODRIGUEZ, Jr.	✓				
Senator Michael F. Q.SAN NICOLAS		✓			
Speaker Judith T. WON PAT, Ed.D.	✓				
Senator Aline A. YAMASHITA, Ph.D.	✓				
TOTAL	14	1			
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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

I = Pass

Clerk of the Legislature

June 21, 2013

SENATOR DENNIS G. RODRIGUEZ, JR.

June 14, 2013

Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker
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155 Hesler Place
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VIA: The Honorable Rory J. Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

RE: Committee Report – Bill No. 132-32 (COR), as Substituted.

Dear Speaker Won Pat:

Transmitted herewith, for your consideration, is the **Committee Report** on **BILL 132-32(COR), as Substituted- An act to add a new Section 11 to Public Law 30-200 relative to expanding the borrowing ability of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority by pledging Compact Impact funds as a repayment source for the additional available balance;** introduced by Sen. Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr., and referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services, Health Insurance Reform, Economic Development and Senior Citizens. Bill No. 42-32 (COR) was publicly heard on June 12, 2013.

Committee votes are as follows:

07 **TO PASS**
~~0~~ **NOT TO PASS**
~~0~~ **ABSTAIN**
~~0~~ **TO REPORT OUT ONLY**
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Senseramente,

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.
Chairman

Attachments

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June 14, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: **ALL MEMBERS**
Committee on Health & Human Services, Health Insurance Reform, Economic Development and Senior Citizens.

From: **Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.**
Committee Chairperson

Subject: **Committee Report on Bill no. 132-32 (COR), as Substituted.**

Transmitted herewith, for your consideration, is the **Committee Report** on **BILL 132-32(COR), as Substituted- BILL 132-32(COR), as Substituted- An act to add a new Section 11 to Public Law 30-200 relative to expanding the borrowing ability of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority by pledging Compact Impact funds as a repayment source for the additional available balance;** Introduced by Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.

This report includes the following:

- Committee Voting Sheet
- Committee Report Narrative/Digest
- Copy of Bill No. 42-32 (COR)
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Copies of Submitted Testimony and Supporting Documents
- Copy of COR Referral of Bill No. 42-32 (COR)
- Notices of Public Hearing (1st and 2nd)
- Copy of the Public Hearing Agenda
- Related News Articles (Public hearing publication of public notice)

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!

Attachments

SENATOR DENNIS G. RODRIGUEZ, JR.

COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

BILL 132-32(COR), as Substituted- An act to add a new Section 11 to Public Law 30-200 relative to expanding the borrowing ability of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority by pledging Compact Impact funds as a repayment source for the additional available balance;. Introduced by Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.

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V. ANTHONY ADA Vice Chairman		6/14				
JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker (Ex-officio)		6/14				
BENJAMIN J. F. CRUZ Vice-Speaker						
TINA ROSE MUNA-BARNES Legislative Secretary		✓				
FRANK B. AGUON, Jr. 6/14/13		✓				
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SENATOR DENNIS G. RODRIGUEZ, JR.
COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

Bill No. 132-32 (COR)

I. OVERVIEW: The Committee on Health & Human Services, Health Insurance Reform, Economic Development and Senior Citizens conducted a public hearing on June 13, 2013. The hearing convened at 9:00AM in I Liheslatura's Public Hearing Room. Among the items on the agenda was the consideration of **BILL 132-32(COR), An act to add a new Section 11 to Public Law 30-200 relative to expanding the borrowing ability of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority by including the authorization to also enter into revolving loan funds, and direct loan funds**

II. Public Notice Requirements

Notices were disseminated via hand-delivery/fax and/or email to all senators and all main media broadcasting outlets on June 4, 2013 (5-day notice), and again on June 7, 2013 (48-hour notice).

Senators Present

Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	Chairman
Senator V. Anthony Ada	Vice-Chairman
Senator Benjamin F. Cruz	Committee Member
Senator Christopher M. Duenas	Committee Member
Senator Thomas C. Ada	
Senator Michael San Nicolas	

The public hearing on agenda item Bill No. 132-32 (COR) was called to order at 9:06 a.m.

II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION.

Chairman Rodriguez: I would like to thank the Governor for working with me in looking at several alternatives in helping the hospital with its debts. The Governor agreed to dedicate 2 million from Compact Impact Fund.

Lester Carlson: This was a collaborative effort between the Governor's office and Senator Rodriguez to try to find a funding mechanism to help the debt of the Guam Memorial Hospital. I believe this is the third attempt to fund the funding source and I believe third time is a charm. We were asked to assist the senator in being able to come up with a funding source that will take the existing 25 million that's contained in Public Law 30-200 of which only 2 million was secured. So, that left $13 million to the legislature, which to this day hasn't found a lender.

First we have to consider the full faith and confidence of the government. There needed to be a funding source that has a lot of coverage and has not been over tapped. The lending institutions would say that that one would be something I feel comfortable in lending money again. What needed to get done was to take our thinking and throw it to see if it sticks to the wall. We made a couple

calls to banks and if this funding source was available with legislative authorization to support it. We responded to an RFP. Given the funding source, I was given strong indications from 2 institutions that will be responsive of this, should it be passed.

Sometimes there are exercises that sound good but we want to make sure that the institutions were comfortable in lending the money. With that, I'm here with a message to deliver that there will be a letter of support from the Governor's office that you will receive tomorrow. in the meantime, please accept the full support of the Guam Economic Development Authority on Bill 132.

Chairman Rodriguez: Just to touch up on some of the comments, is that this is the third attempt to get funding for the hospital. I always say that this is a three legged approach to be taken. One, looking at the debt and looking at viable funding sources to subsidize the hospital. My concept also is putting in place measures to decrease the expenditures. One of them is an Urgent Care and funding it. Unlike in the pass in building the hospital and funding it, I believe that it has to be done simultaneously and we here at the legislature have to prepare and work hand in hand with the hospital.

Alan Ulrich: I want to thank GEDA for their support and we appreciate the collaboration between the Governor's office, GEDA and your office. Following up to what you said, we have many opportunities to improve at GMH and we appreciate your many endeavors for funding the hospital to contribute its mission. Relative to this bill, I want to thank you. I wasn't to clarify that the legislature approves funding. Through that legislation, we did obtain a loan through the back of Guam with the term date of 2018 with an interest rate. Currently Senator Rodriguez pointed out that we are receiving funding from the Healthy Futures Fund of about $1 million to cover that debt. We currently have as of May 31, 3013 is $10, 934,000 remaining. As we continue making funds from GovGuam the balance will be reduce. I want to clarify that the bill will create a mechanism to allow, based on the total loan, that we are able to fund that additional difference between the outstanding debt and the $25 million. I did look at what the debt service would be and it is a 10 year commitment from Compact Impact funds of $2 million per year. if we continue these funding sources, this will allow, with the $25 million dent, would be fully amortized at over 10 years for paying about $3 million. In general the $3 million from two sources you are committing will fully amortize in loan if it's an attractive interest rate. We look forward in working with GEDA in finding the most appropriate financing in order to have a fully amortizing in 10 years.

In general the funding source through this bill is very positive. This will go towards paying down the liability we have on our vendors. Payment to vendors is something very important. we want to be able to pay them in a timely basis. Currently we are accruing about $70,000 a month interest expenses for payments to vendors. We have received a letter from the department of treasury for the outstanding balance of about $4.5 million. From the previous emails I've received it's about $50,000 a month for the loan. With this type of financing, this would really go al long way. This is important for the hospital to get current with the vendors.

Vice Speaker Cruz: I support the idea of the hospital being given the assistance but i am concern about a couple of things. I'm glad we got the answer for the $10,934,000 that was borrowed 2 years ago, I thought one of the things we want to pay is the outstanding tax liability. If I remember

correctly, we were supposed to pay rev & tax. If my memory serves me right in the attachment A to Bill 20, how much do you currently owe with Dept. of Rev &Tax?

Ulrich: I have outstanding as of May 31st is $4,006,199. We also recorded that in our financial statement as of Sept 2012.

Vice Speaker: while I agree with the Chairman that an Urgent Care facility is necessary to address the excess amount of money that is owed because of the number of people coming to the emergency room that should be taken care of in a different fashion, i also concern of other tings problematic at the hospital. One how is your collection effort with Collections?

Ulrich: First of all, collections is an ongoing effort, since I started in December, I've been working with the staff to refine our processes, but better yet to define our processes to actually make them happen. I researched this week and I found on Section 80 of the code with credit collection policy at the hospital, which I wasn't aware existed. Many of the things that we are discussing now were actually emphasized in 1997. Certainly, we need to improve with our collection. through the end of May, we received 239,000 dollars from the Amnesty Loan Forgiveness program that goes through June 24 and making it appeal to the people because it is a 50% inducement to come and pay their balance. We talked about 20% discount for self insured or uninsured.

Vice Speakers: when you first came on, i provided a list of contractors that owed some money of the hospital totaling about half a million. How are we doing about the collections?

Ulrich: first, relative to conversations we had with Dept. Labor about HS workers, we've initiated process to really follow through with the clearances. Unfortunately, we don't have the ones for the H2 workers.

Vice Speaker: Why not? They've signed as obliged to pay the person they brought in to the hospital.

Ulrich: I don't know that for a fact.

Vice Speaker: How has the hospital recorded that construction company as being the obligor?

Ulrich: we don't record it as being the obligor. It would be the patient who is guarantor, much as if I go there they would know who my employer. We put that now in a separate class but the company itself is not the obligor of those debts, as I understand it.

Vice Speaker: when I initially asked for that listing before you came to the hospital. It was represented to me that those were signed by GMH employees that those were signed by companies as obligors of those people and not the patient themselves.

Ulrich: I will follow up on that

Vice Speaker: it's been six months and we haven't done anything on that pointed out to you that there's a company that gotten international award for safety and had a debt of about $60,000. i just

also read that that the government awarded a contract to a company with an outstanding of $40,000 in obligations. So, I'm really having problems..i mean they are not going to charge the legislature if I go to the hospital and charge me as Benjamin Cruz, right.

Ulrich: right

Vice Speaker: I'm trying to figure how it could've been these companies were listed as the obligors for these individuals.

Ulrich: let me clarify, I don't know what was represented to you and to the committee whether the companies were obligor. My communication with the collections is that the people were responsible not the companies. Now, I'd be happy to reach out to those companies and ask them about hose claims. If the companies are willing to step forward to be responsible for these individuals, I'd be happy to go after them because you're right that would be easier to collect. if they are going to assume those collections.

Vice Speaker: talking about easy collections, when we had hearing on Bill 20, some of us were flabbergast about having 4,000 government employees who have outstanding debt with the hospital, was that a correct representation?

Ulrich: I'm not familiar with that exact number.

Chairman Rodriguez: That is the other bill that authorized us to tap into the annual leave. but, yes, there is a 4,000 government employees who are either patients themselves or who are the obligors of people they brought in.

Vice Speaker Cruz: so there are 4000 govguam employees who have the outstanding debts, it doesn't seem very difficult to figure out where those people are and to collect. What are the efforts?

Ulrich: Mr. Verga, before he left off island, talked to me. I have a meeting with my staff to institute the payroll deduction that still follows from 1997 in order to facilitate this. I appreciate learning about these GovGuam employees. So, yes, we are going to follow up on that

Vice Speaker: How much do these employees owe?

Ulrich: i dont have that information.

Chairman Rodriguez: it was about 6 million. When we spoke directly from the people from the HR and Business office, that they do know who these people are and attempted to go out and collect. Just like any other patients, they say that I have this bill, but I'm not able to pay it right now. What this bill would have done was to allow them to tap into their annual leave and be under some sort of promissory note, which they are not in right now, and use that and if they default you'll have the ability to garner on that.

Ulrich: with or without their ability to contribute annual leave, we still need the payroll deductions.

Vice Speaker: during the last hearing on the annual leave bill, I noted that there were dome vacancies on the collections agency and that Mr. Verga corrected them that those vacancies were actually funded. Are you fully staffed now in collections?

Ulrich, no we are not, Vice speaker. When I spoke to you briefly after the hearing and pointed out the positions and I did do investigation. The current status of that as of today is that I've worked with the 4 leaders in the business office and we've revised the description of these jobs (2 positions). We have 4 positions we are looking into filling in and we have the descriptions ready as well as interview questions which we are on the process of moving on with that.

Vice Speaker: these vacancies were vacant since the beginning of the Fiscal Year last October and they've been vacant since. it is imperative that if you are doing collections and not just borrow money that you are able to be fully staff at the collections office.

Ulrich: I don't disagree with you, that is very valid. As I shared with you and I heard when there were positions available and was unfunded, we talked about it but you pointed out three of those positions were funded. There has been a discussion on holding off those positions in a budget management stand point and non clinical people, recognizing that we need that personal touch in collections. The positions have not been updated since 2007, which really needs to be updated.

Vice Speaker Cruz: While I agree with you that non clinical positions should be frozen for a while, I really do think that these are critical positions so you can restore your fiscal help so you can restore the hospital.

Ulrich: I agree

Senator Tom Ada: I realize that you've only been in the position for the past 6 month. I, too, fully support the initiatives that Senator Rodriguez has put up to help the hospital to generate revenues. So, it seem like we've been addressing one side of the equation, which is the revenue side. I'm not convinced, at least in the many discussions on plans in plugging up some of the holes in losing money. I know some of the discussions were the automation system and how basically we've gotten the software but there has been some incompatibility about it. Would it be reasonable to include in this bill in addressing that within the next 90 days, the hospital shall submit to the legislature a short term plan. This issue of filling vacancies has been in the discussions, can you comment on that?

Ulrich: your question opens up a very wide menu of responses. I'll try to be concise. I did receive a correspondence from one senator asking for specifically what you're requesting, which is reducing the deficit and a long term plan in taking a look at GMH and what happens about Medical City coming to Guam. I am working with this with the Board and Mr. Verga and figuring out what are we going to do and figuring out the short term fixes. We have provided a packet to Senator pangelinan to speaking with the appropriations committee regarding the fiscal year 2014 budget. We did work very hard at the executive level to have a balance budget. There are many components to what is needed to have a balance budget in GMH. We had just opened up an RFP that we released for TEFRA rebasing, which is a way of getting our Medicare reimbursement ancient old reimbursement to a current cost reimbursement. We'll have that information later this month. The purpose of that

RFP is to help GMH work with CMS and the legislature in Washington DC in order to affect more appropriate reimbursements. I had conversations with Mr. Gillan and Ms. Archangel relative to reimbursement from Medicaid and MIP is 55% below our cost on a per diem basis. We have to, remedy that. That is a part of our initiates relative to Fiscal Year 2014 budget.

The process of preparing RFP within certain department, believing that there are companies who can do it more efficiently what is happening right now. We are looking at a wide range of initiatives I reducing the cost of these revenues. I will be meeting Dr. Lizaman and Dr. Fegurgur this week relative to unitization of the operating room, which is an important source of revenue at the hospital. We are looking at how can we improve and increase our efficiencies to attract more revenue in the OR. It is not only about reimbursement but also how can we maximize an appropriately bill for the services we provided. It is a multifaceted issue we are dealing with.

I do want to comment on data processing initiatives. I shared back in May about problems we are having with our current members and sent us a letter that as of May 15, they were going to cut off services because we owe them about half a million dollars. This bill would allow us to pay that entity that we owe. They have softened their collection letter and we have negotiated that they will defer the lease payment for 6 months into 2014, which will give us some relief. Overall, we will have to decide on how to implement the software to take advantage of the business office side, clinical infrastructure, and financing. Mr. Verga, Dr. Lizama, and I have about 40 items that we are dealing with. We are going on a monthly cash flow deficit and having adequate revenues which lead to appropriate reimbursement that manages the operating systems that will enable to sustain GMH.

Senator Tom Ada: I am heartened by knowing that there are actual initiatives ongoing. My concern is that Mr. Ulrich might decide to leave tomorrow and if these programs might come into a stand still because these are your initiatives and it's not in a formal document that says this is our road map, at least for the short term.

Ulrich: I'm not planning on leaving tomorrow. I tell people that I am married to GMH, I am committed to GMH to make sure that it has its fiscal house in order and that we are operating in 2013 processes and operations and accountability. Once again, it's the executive team working with the Board of Trustees. We have created our plan but we haven't presented it to the Board. One thing I want to mention relative to collections, just as important to you as it is to us, I've talked about the last 3 months about RFO for a collections agency. It is much more complicated than I thought what the statute of limitations for pursuing collections is. This amnesty initiative was really meant to step forward to pay their obligations. It just makes it difficult for the people to be contacted. We have a $133 million and 78,000 in counters and 35,000 guarantors, which is a significant amount for us in moving forward.

Senator San Nicolas: have all of these things been communicated to the Governor?

Ulrich: we did have a conversation,Mr. Verga, Dr. Lizama, Dr. Terlaje and Christine Tuquero had a meeting with the Governor last week. We want to make sure that we have timely communications with the Governor's office. I will be meeting with Ernie, his Chief Fiscal Officer with members of

BBMR and we are committed to increasing a higher level of communicating and where we are going forward.

Senator San Nicolas: The reason why I'm very curious about this is because everything I'm understanding is that we have a surplus but we don't have a deficit. In spite of that, we have a bill in front of us asking us to borrow money for our shortfalls and I'm trying to understand that if we have a surplus, why we are borrowing money. If we are having a deficit in the hospital then why are we telling our people that there are no deficit and then coming back asking to borrow $13 million to pay vendors who are past due?

Ulrich: I cannot answer that because I'm not privileged to all the information in the GovGuam level. From s financial stand point, when we receive goods or supplies we have to set up a liability. Our financials that we present to you, where we have $20 million of payables to vendors, that's on an accrual basis. From GMH standpoint for Fiscal 2013, we did not budget appropriation to pay for prior obligations. To the extent that the $20 million has accumulated over years, we didn't say in our budget of $93 million to pay off the vendors, therefore it was not appropriated. From our standpoint, we are running on a loss deficit. For a cash flow standpoint, we are also flowing in a deficit in our obligation. Once again, deficit can mean different things for people. For an accounting standpoint, we have an operating loss, outstanding liabilities. Under financing, this is helping us to pay a debt of liabilities. Once that's done, we can perhaps take X dollars of our $142 million budget because it is covered by financing.

Senator San Nicolas: well that is from the current payables but because we are bleeding $2 million a year, we are going to be accruing new payables and the cash flow that pays those vendors. So, that is the second concern that I have. We get that money to pay the vendors but we are not cash flow positive. With new supplies and materials, we are eventually going to run that deficit again with those hazards to the vendors in making up for the shortfalls.

Ulrich: that has been raised in previous hearings relative to liability.

Senator San Nicolas: the reason why I'm asking this question is if the deficit is gone and we have a surplus of $5 million in the government, why are we going to borrow $13 million and putting us on the hook in the next ten years if the money is already there today. The reason why this is my concern because in 2015, our debt is going to go up to $15 million. We have an $8million balloon payment to the hospital that is due in 2015, 1.2million debt service for the completion of Ukudu expansion and no we're going to tag another 2 million on 2015 debt service amount. If the money is there today, why we are asking future generations to borrow money.

Ulrich: that is a question I cannot answer because I only have a limited knowledge. I only know GMH. I do want to come back to your fellow Senator's collection. We do have a monthly deficit. Coming back to our previous comment, treating with Medicare, Medicaid and MIP and the insurance and we are managing our expenses and revenues on a monthly basis. I cant comment about encumbrances for future generations. Our goal is to eliminate that monthly deficit. We have a twofold part which is taking care of the vendors and they are allowed to charge us for not paying. This bill will help us get pass that.

San Nicolas: I understand and it goes back when I mentioned in the previous hearing an ask for documents; ill ask again today, this is a component piece that is going to be fixing a big picture financial problem. In order for me to be comfortable with component pieces, I need to understand the big picture. In all of these request I made to GMH, I'm going to ask 1) in the current situation, at what point are you going to reach maximum efficiencies in generating revenue initiatives and current cost saving initiatives in order to have a picture of what the true shortfall is going to be. To borrow this without understanding that, it means we borrow because we didn't get it quite right the first time. 2) After the current environment, how are we going to manage the emerging new hospital? What is going to be the worst case/best case scenario? What is going to be the mitigation plans GMH is going to come up with? How much money are we going to need to pump in to the hospital? All of us here want the hospital to continue but we all want to understand what it requires. For us to borrow and not fully understand if I can get those two things it is very important.

Ulrich: I appreciate it. I will certainly work on your request with Mr. Verga. The hospital board is also trying to see the short term and long term goal. Yes we will get that to you but I cannot commit to a time.

Chairman Rodriguez: Just to clarify, this borrowing authority is not to borrow for operations, but it is to borrow for debt we already have. A debt that keeps on growing and without addressing it, we are digging ourselves deeper into the hole. So, that's something that must be realized. The amount of $18+ million we owe, that's a fact. Those are vendors that provided services and we didn't pay them. So, that's what this bill does.

Adjourned: 9:59am

Fiscal Note: Pending request/receipt from COR.

III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee on Health & Human Services, Health Insurance Reform, Economic Development and Senior Citizens, hereby **reports out Bill No. 132-32 (COR), as Substituted** with the recommendation to PASS.

MINA' TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 132-32 (COR)

Introduced by: **D.G. RODRIGUEZ, JR.**
Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.
V. ANTHONY ADA

AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 11 TO PUBLIC LAW 30-200 RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE BORROWING ABILITY OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BY INCLUDING THE AUTHORIZATION TO ALSO ENTER INTO REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS, AND DIRECT LOAN FUNDS.

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BILL 132-32 (COR)

Hafa Adai Chairman Rodriguez and members of the Committee on Health & Human Services, Health Insurance Reform, Economic Development and Senior Citizens. Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today in FULL SUPPORT of Bill No. 132-32, "**AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 11 TO PUBLIC LAW 30-200 RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE BORROWING ABILITY OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BY INCLUDING THE AUTHORIZATION TO ALSO ENTER INTO REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS, AND DIRECT LOAN FUNDS.**"

At the direction of Governor Calvo, the Guam Economic Development Authority (GEDA), worked with the Author, Senator Rodriguez, to identify a funding source to address the outstanding debt of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority. Two elements were critical to this endeavor, first a funding source which would receive support from policy makers had to be identified. Secondly, this funding source had to be seen by local banks and financial institutions as bankable in their eyes. GEDA has ascertained that both of these elements have been satisfied with the introduction of Bill No. 132-32.

GEDA is here today in FULL SUPPORT of this measure, Si Yu'os Ma'ase!

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This is to certify that the Committee on Rules submitted to the Bureau of Budget and Management Research (BBMR) a request for a fiscal note, or applicable waiver, on **Bill No. 132-32 (COR) - "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 11 TO PUBLIC LAW 30-200 RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE BORROWING ABILITY OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BY INCLUDING THE AUTHORIZATION TO ALSO ENTER INTO REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS, AND DIRECT LOAN FUNDS."** on June 17, 2013. COR hereby certifies that BBMR confirmed receipt of this request on June 11, 2013, 11:09 a.m.

COR further certifies that a response to this request was not received. **Therefore, pursuant to 2 GCA §9105, the requirement for a fiscal note, or waiver thereof, on Bill No. 132-32 (COR) to be included in the committee report on said bill, is hereby waived.**

Certified by:

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MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
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Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
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From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Re-Referral of Bill No. 132-32(COR)**

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my re referral of **Bill No. 132-32(COR)**.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL SENATORS

FROM: Senator Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.

SUBJECT: FIRST NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING-JUNE 12, 2013

Buenas yan Hafa Adai!

The Committee on Health and Human Services, Health Insurance Reform, Economic Development and Senior Citizens has scheduled a Public Hearing for **Wednesday, June 12, 2013**. The items on the agenda are as follows:

9:00 a.m.

- **Bill No. 94-32 (COR)-** An act to amend Sections 9902 (b), 9902 (g) of Title 10 Guam Code Annotated relative to prompt payment requirements for health care and health insurance benefits. Introduced by R.J. Respicio, T.C. Ada, J.T. Won Pat, Ed. D., T.R. Muna Barnes, A. A. Yamashita, Ph.D., M.F.Q. San Nicolas, C.M. Duenas.

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I look forward to your presence and participation.

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Si Yu'os Ma'âse',
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Adam Bearce <adam@guamlegislature.org> Tue, Jun 4, 2013 at 1:57 PM
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Thanks Adam!

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Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. <senatordrodriguez@gmail.com> Wed, Jun 5, 2013 at 9:29 AM
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We need to send out these notices to insurance companies, doctor Shieh, public health especially Tess Arcangel and Terri Gumataotao, GMH vendors, GMH administration and all others you think should get a copy. Please ask Jerrick or any of your contacts to please post on PDN.com

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For further information, please contact the Office of Senator Dennis Rodriguez, Jr. at 649-8638 (TODU).

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SUBJECT: SECOND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING-JUNE 12, 2013

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For further information, please contact the Office of Senator Dennis Rodriguez, Jr. at 649-8638 (TODU).

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Hafa Adai,

Please see attached notice of public hearing scheduled for June 12, 2013. Please contact the office of Senator Rodriguez should you have any questions or concerns. Thank you.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 7, 2013

SENATOR DENNIS G. RODRIGUEZ, JR.

AGENDA

Wednesday, June 12, 2013 9am Public Hearing Room, *I Liheslatura*

I. Call to Order

II. Items public consideration:

- ~~**Bill No. 94-32 (COR)** - R.J. Respicio / T.C. Ada / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. An act to amend Sections 9902(b), 9902(d), and 9902(g) of Title 10 Guam Code Annotated relative to prompt payment requirements for health care and health insurance benefits.~~ *Rescheduled at the request of the author.

- **Bill No. 132-32 (COR)** - D.G. Rodriguez, Jr. / A.A. Yamashita, Ph.D. / V.A. Ada / R.J. Respicio An act to add a new Section 11 to Public Law 30-200 relative to expanding the borrowing ability of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority by including the authorization to also enter into Revolving Loan Funds, and Direct Loan Funds.

III. Adjournment

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Si Yu'os Ma'åse' for your participation in today's hearings and discussions!

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RE: Request for Fiscal Notes– Bill Nos. 131–140(COR)

Hafa Adai Mr. Rios:

Transmitted herewith is a listing of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan's* most recently introduced bills. Pursuant to 2 GCA §9103, I respectfully request the preparation of fiscal notes for the referenced bills.

Si Yu'os ma'åse' for your attention to this matter.

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Very Truly Yours,

Rory J. Respicio

Senator Rory J. Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Attachments (1)

Cc: Clerk of the Legislature

Bill Nos.	Sponsor	Title
131-32 (COR)	T. C. Ada	AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION (f) AND ADD A NEW SUBSECTION (g) TO §3301 AND OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING SPEEDLIMITS.
132-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez,Jr.	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 11 TO PUBLIC LAW 30-200 RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE BORROWING ABILITY OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BY INCLUDING THE AUTHORIZATION TO ALSO ENTER INTO REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS, AND DIRECT LOAN FUNDS.
133-32 (COR)	v.c. pangelinan B.J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD SUBSECTION 6206(c) AND TO AMEND SUBSECTION 6210(a) AND TO ADD SUBSECTION 6210(c) TO TITLE 5 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED CHAPTER 6 ARTICLE 2; TO AMEND SUBSECTION 6401(b) TO TITLE 5 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 4; TO AMEND SUBSECTION 10102(d) AND SECTION 10113 TO TITLE 5 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE 1; AND TO AMEND SECTION 1820 TO TITLE 1 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE 2 RELATIVE TO PROHIBIT THE SEALING OF SETTLEMENTS OF CLAIM AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT
134-32 (COR)	Frank B. Aguon,Jr	AN ACT RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING THE OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AS THE OFFICIAL LOCAL AGENCY FOR ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING THE "GUAM VETERANS REGISTRY" WHICH SHALL BE UTILIZED FOR ENUMERATING THE POPULATION OF VETERANS ON GUAM, AND FOR THE USE OF SUCH INFORMATION FOR INCREASING OR ACQUIRING NECESSARY HEALTHCARE AND OTHER RELEVANT SERVICES TO BENEFIT VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES; THROUGH ADDING A NEW §67110 TO CHAPTER 67, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.
135-32 (COR)	Frank B. Aguon, Jr.	AN ACT RELATIVE TO INCREASING THE REPRESENTATION OF THE NUMBER OF VETERANS SERVING ON THE GUAM VETERANS COMMISSION, TO INITIATE EFFORTS TOWARD THE EVENTUAL ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "SENGSONG BETERANUN GUAHAN - GUAM VETERANS VILLAGE", WHICH SHALL SERVE AS A ONE-STOP VETERANS SERVICES CENTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; THROUGH THE REPEAL AND RE-ENACTMENT §67107 OF CHAPTER 67, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.
136-32 (COR)	T. R. Muña Barnes R.J. Respicio	AN ACT TO REZONE LOT NO. 2174, LOCATED IN TIYAN IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BARRIGADA, FROM AGRICULTURAL ZONE (A) TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL ZONE (M1).
137-32 (COR)	B.J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §1115 TO CHAPTER 1 OF TITLE 12 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; RELATIVE TO PROVIDING NO COST SPACE TO THE GUAM CUSTOMS AND QUARANTINE AGENCY IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL LAW.
138-32(COR)	Vicente (ben) C. Pangelinan	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 1515(i)(2)(G), ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 1, TITLE 5 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE GUAM FISHERMEN'S COOPERATIVE.

139-32 (COR)	Frank B. Aguon,Jr	AN ACT RELATIVE TO REMOVING ANY REFERENCE OF SLOT MACHINES IN THE DEFINITION OF GAMING DEVICES; THROUGH DELETING SUB-ITEM "(1)" OF SUBSECTION "(N)" OF §7102, CHAPTER 7, TITLE 3 OF THE GUAM ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND REGULATIONS
140-32 (COR)	Tommy Morrison	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 1515(i)(2)(G), ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 1, TITLE 5 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE GUAM FISHERMEN'S COOPERATIVE.

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MEMORANDUM

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

Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Re-Referral of Bill No. 132-32(COR)**

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my re referral of **Bill No. 132-32(COR)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is re referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan.*

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

Attachment

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Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 132-32(COR)**

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MINA' TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 132-32 (COR)

Introduced by: **D.G. RODRIGUEZ, JR.**
Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.
V. ANTHONY ADA

AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 11 TO PUBLIC LAW 30-200 RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE BORROWING ABILITY OF THE GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BY INCLUDING THE AUTHORIZATION TO ALSO ENTER INTO REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS, AND DIRECT LOAN FUNDS.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent: *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority is seriously underfunded, resulting in consistent, chronic shortages in all operational areas that jeopardize the ability of Guam Memorial Hospital to adequately fulfill its mission.

The full scope and negative impact of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority's outstanding debts, in excess of $23,000,000 dollars, came to light during the *Joint Status Hearing* conducted by the Committee on Health & Human Services and the Committee on Finance, on April 18, 2012. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan further* finds that in 2012, the federally approved discount provider for medical supplies intercepted approximately $500,000.00 (taken from Medicare reimbursements through the U.S. Treasury), for non-payment of GMHA's debt. In March 2013, GMHA, through the efforts of Governor Eddie Calvo paid $5,000,000 of its outstanding obligations using Compact-Impact funds, thus

reducing its obligation to approximately $18,000,000 as of March 31, 2013. The retirement of GMHA's debt is essential to its ability to focus on patient care and its preventive programs. The provision of medical care should be the core of the hospital's mission, not the burden placed on operations by its debt. For the past seven (7) months in FY 2013, GMHA has accumulated approximately over half a million dollars in interest charges from vendors. This added burden further exacerbates GMHA's financial condition.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that Public Law 30-200, as amended by Public Law 30-235 authorized the GMHA to enter into a line of credit, revolving fund, or direct loan not to exceed Twenty-Five Million Dollars ($25,000,000). However, only Twelve Million Dollars ($12,000,000) has been borrowed to date.

It is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to allow the financing of GMHA's debt using *I Magalahen Guahan's* pledge of Compact Impact funds as the repayment source for the additional Thirteen Million Dollars ($13,000,000) balance.

Section 2. A new section 11 is hereby added to Public Law 30-200, as amended by P.L. 30-235, to read as follows:

(11) I *Maga'lahen Guahan*, The Governor of Guam, at his discretion and with his consent, may pledge Compact Impact Funds received from the Department of Interior as a source of funding to secure the balance of the $25 Million Dollar line of credit, revolving loan fund and/or a direct loan

authorized in this Act to be used for the reduction of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority's vendor payables.