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Vice Speaker Therese M. Terlaje
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Received by:

Honorable Therese M. Terlaje
Acting Speaker
I Mina'trentai Kuåttro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Guam Congress Building
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Dear Madam Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 272-34 (COR), **"AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 6303(e) TO ARTICLE 3 OF CHAPTER 6, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING REPORTING OF AMENDED GOVERNMENT POSITIONS AND DEFERRING THE FILLING OF AMENDED POSITIONS,"** which was signed on October 17, 2018, as **Public Law 34-131.**

Senseramente,

EDDIE BAZA CALVO

I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2018 (SECOND) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that **Bill No. 272-34 (COR), "AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 6303(e) TO ARTICLE 3 OF CHAPTER 6, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING REPORTING OF AMENDED GOVERNMENT POSITIONS AND DEFERRING THE FILLING OF AMENDED POSITIONS,"** was on the 4th day of October 2018, duly and regularly passed.

Therese M. Terlaje
Acting Speaker

Attested:

Régine Biscoe Lee
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'låhen Guåhan* this 5th day of OCTOBER, 2018, at 1:09 o'clock P .M.

Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'låhi's Office

APPROVED:

EDWARD J.B. CALVO
I Maga'låhen Guåhan

Date: OCT 17 2018

Public Law No. 34-131

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Bill No. 272-34 (COR)

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Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds and recognizes that job positions may require amendments thereto in order to select the candidates most qualified for a civil government job or a promotion. However, amendments to such positions may cause an otherwise qualified candidate to lose the job or promotion opportunity. No candidate who was initially qualified prior to an amendment should be impacted by such amendment if they were not given ample time to comply with the amendment.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan, therefore, intends that amendments to a job position go through the same approval process as that set out for the creation of jobs, and that the filing of those newly amended jobs must be updated with the Department of Administration and the Legislative Secretary of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* for transparency of the recruitment process for all government agencies.

Section 2. A new § 6303(e) is hereby *added* to Article 3 of Chapter 6, Title 4, Guam Code Annotated, to read:

"(e) (1) If a position created pursuant to § 6303 is amended in pay range, position description, or qualifications, the amendment *shall* be subject to a petition of the head of a line agency, department, autonomous agency, or public corporation (or, in the case of the Judiciary, the Administrator of the Courts) listed in 4 GCA § 4105(a). Said petition *shall* include:

(A) the justification for the amendment of the position;

(B) the essential details concerning the amendment of the position;

(C) the amended pay range and position description; and

(D) any other pertinent information.

(2) The petition for the amendment *shall* be posted on the line agency, department, autonomous agency, or public corporation's website (or, in the case of the Judiciary, the Judiciary's website) for ten (10) days (Saturdays, Sundays, and government of Guam holidays excepted), and must comply with § 6303.1(a) of this Article.

(A) The Judiciary. The Administrator of the Courts *shall* submit to the Judicial Council the petition, who, if it approves the petition, *shall* do so by resolution. The Judicial Council *shall* file the approved petition and resolution for record with the Legislative Secretary.

(B) Line Agencies and Departments. The petition of the head of a line agency or department (department head) and the Director of Administration *shall* post the petition on their respective websites for ten (10) days (Saturdays, Sundays ,and government of Guam holidays excepted). After the posting, the Director of Administration *shall* forward the petition with his recommendation to *I Maga'låhi* who, if he approves the same, *shall* so indicate and file it for record with the Director of Administration and the Legislative Secretary.

(C) Autonomous Agencies and Public Corporations. The head of an autonomous agency or public corporation *shall* forward the petition, along with evidence of his compliance with § 6303.1(a), to the governing board or commission, who, if it approves the same, *shall* approve the petition by resolution and file the petition and resolution for record with the Director of Administration and the Legislative Secretary.

(3) No amended position may be filled until after compliance with the provisions of this Section, and one hundred eighty (180) days have elapsed from the date of filing with the Legislative Secretary.

(4) If a position's qualifications were amended and the position must be filled prior to the one hundred eighty (180) day period, the last approved position qualification *shall* be used for selection. No penalty shall be applied to any applicant who does not meet requirements from an amended position description that did not complete the one hundred eighty (180) day period."