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12/29/20	6:11 PM	12/29/20	Bill No. 415-35 (COR), signed into law as Public Law No. 35-125.	Office of the Governor of Guam	35GL-20-2552
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Sinseru yan Minagåhet,

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Gumai pribilehu yan konfedensia este siha na mensåhi. Solo espesiåtmente para hågu ma entensioña pat ma aturisa para unrisibi. Sen prubidu kumu ti un ma aturisa para manribisa, na'setbe, pat mandespåtcha. Yanggen lachi rinisibu-mu nu este na mensåhi , put fabot ago' guatu gi I numa'huyong gi as speaker@guamlegislature.org yan despues destrosa todu siha I kopian mensåhi. Si Yu'os ma'åse'.

13 attachments

- **GoG-Bill No. 415-35 (COR), nka PL. 35-125.pdf** 875K
- **GoG-Bill No. 353-35 (COR), nka PL. 35-126.pdf** 757K
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December 29, 2020

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Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes
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Time 6:11 (AM) PM
Received By:

HONORABLE TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Speaker
I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
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Re: **Bill No. 353-35 (COR) – An Act to Authorize the Guam Visitors Bureau to Expend All Funds Available in the Guam Visitors Bureau Rainy Day Fund through the End of Fiscal Year 2021**

Dear Madame Speaker:

The COVID-19 global pandemic has caused serious distress to our tourism industry, which has served as the primary driver of our island's economy for decades. Bill No. 353-35, which is now ***Public Law No. 35-126***, gives the Guam Visitors Bureau access to all of the funds contained in its Rainy Day Fund while also ensuring that relevant safeguards are in place to ensure that such funds are properly utilized. I can think of no other circumstances under which use of a Rainy Day Fund would be more appropriate.

Senseramente,

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
I Maga'hågan Guåhan
Governor of Guam

Enclosure: Bill No. 353-35 (COR) *nka P.L. 35-126*

cc via email: *Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan*
Compiler of Laws

I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2020 (SECOND) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that **Bill No. 353-35 (COR), "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GUAM VISITORS BUREAU TO EXPEND ALL FUNDS AVAILABLE IN THE GUAM VISITORS BUREAU RAINY DAY FUND THROUGH THE END OF FISCAL YEAR 2021,"** was on the 17th day of December 2020, duly and regularly passed.

Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Speaker

Attested:

Amanda L. Shelton
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 17th day of Dec., 2020, at 10:26 o'clock P.M.

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Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'håga's Office

APPROVED:

Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: 12/29/2020

Public Law No. 35-126

I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2020 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 353-35 (COR)
As amended by the Committee on General Government Operations, Appropriations and Housing; and substituted in the Committee of the Whole.

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AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GUAM VISITORS BUREAU TO EXPEND ALL FUNDS AVAILABLE IN THE GUAM VISITORS BUREAU RAINY DAY FUND THROUGH THE END OF FISCAL YEAR 2021.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that pursuant to 12 GCA § 9304, the Guam Visitors Bureau has access to fifty percent (50%) of its Rainy Day Fund balance in the event of a disaster; and, access to the remaining fifty percent (50%) is subject to legislative approval. In recognition

of the devastation wrought on the visitor industry as a result of the world-wide COVID-19 pandemic emergency, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* intends to allow access to all funds available in the Rainy Day Fund through the end of Fiscal Year 2021.

Access to the first fifty percent (50%) of the Rainy Day Fund was contingent on the approval of a resolution by the Board of Directors of the Guam Visitors Bureau containing:

(a) statement of facts that a natural or man-made disaster has occurred on Guam, or certain external economic conditions have been experienced;

(b) a recitation of the activities to be undertaken to mitigate the potential harm to Guam's tourism industry; and

(c) insufficient funds are available for such activities within the current fiscal year's operating budget.

Access to the remaining fifty percent (50%) shall also require a detailed plan and recitation of the activities to be undertaken to mitigate the harm to the tourism industry.

Section 2. Authorization to Expend the Balance of the Rainy Day Fund. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Guam Visitors Bureau is authorized to expend on a continuing basis the balance of the Guam Visitors Bureau Rainy Day Fund, created pursuant to 12 GCA § 9301, throughout FY 2021 to mitigate the harm and rebuild the tourism industry in the aftermath of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency declared by the Governor of Guam on March 16, 2020. To avail of these funds, the Board of Directors of the Guam Visitors Bureau shall approve a detailed plan for use of the funds or approve the specific use prior to expenditure. This authorization shall continue until all funds in the Guam Visitors Bureau Rainy Day Fund, as of September 30, 2021, are expended.