I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES	NOTES
239-36 (COR) As amended by the Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, Labor, Procurement, and Statistics, Research, and Planning; and further amended on the Floor.	Telo T. Taitague Joanne Brown Therese M. Terlaje Sabina Flores Perez	AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 76206 TO CHAPTER 70 OF DIVISION 3, TITLE 11, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, AND TO *ADD* A NEW § 13510 TO ARTICLE 5 OF CHAPTER 13, TITLE 19, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO BUSINESS LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTITIES ENGAGING IN CHILD PLACEMENT SERVICES.	1/4/22 10:42 a.m.	1/21/22	Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, Labor, Procurement, and Statistics, Research, and Planning	2/9/22 9:00 a.m.	3/18/22 1:44 p.m. As amended by the Committee on Environment, Revenue and Taxation, Labor, Procurement, and Statistics, Research, and Planning	1/12/22	
SESSION DATE		**TITLE**	**DATE PASSED**	**TRANSMITTED**	**DUE DATE**	**NOTES**			
3/25/22		AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 76206 TO ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 76, DIVISION 3, TITLE 11, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; AND TO *ADD* A NEW § 13510 TO ARTICLE 5 OF CHAPTER 13, TITLE 19, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO BUSINESS LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTITIES ENGAGING IN CHILD PLACEMENT SERVICES.	4/1/22	4/1/22	4/13/22				

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I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
Thirty-Sixth Guam Legislature

April 1, 2022

The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan
Ufisinan I Maga'håga
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear *Maga'håga* Leon Guerrero:

Transmitted herewith are **Bill Nos. 68-36 (COR), 123-36 (COR), 158-36 (LS), 169-36 (LS), 224-36 (COR), 239-36 (COR)** and **247-36 (COR);** and **Substitute Bill Nos. 41-36 (COR), 213-36 (COR)** and **236-36 (COR)** which were passed by *I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on April 1, 2022.

Sincerely,

AMANDA L. SHELTON
Legislative Secretary

Enclosure (10)

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2022 (SECOND) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that **Bill No. 239-36 (COR), "AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 76206 TO ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 76, DIVISION 3, TITLE 11, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; AND TO *ADD* A NEW § 13510 TO ARTICLE 5 OF CHAPTER 13, TITLE 19, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO BUSINESS LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTITIES ENGAGING IN CHILD PLACEMENT SERVICES,"** was on the 1st day of April 2022, duly and regularly passed.

Therese M. Terlaje

Therese M. Terlaje
Speaker

Attested:

Amanda Shelton

Amanda L. Shelton
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 1 day of April, 2022, at 9:39 o'clock P .M.

Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'håga's Office

APPROVED:

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Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date:_____

Public Law No._____

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Bill No. 239-36 (COR)
As amended by the Committee on Environment,
Revenue and Taxation, Labor, Procurement, and Statistics,
Research and Planning; and further amended on the Floor.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that without licensure rules and regulations in place for the operation of independent adoption agencies it is conceivable that any business linked to local or international criminal enterprises, including human trafficking schemes, could position

themselves to apply for and successfully obtain a child adoption service business license from the Department of Revenue and Taxation.

It is, therefore, the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to protect against such criminal activity by requiring the Department of Revenue and Taxation to require each applicant, prior to the issuance of a business license and/or establishment of a Gross Receipts Tax or Employer Identification Number, to obtain an endorsement from the Department of Public Health and Social Services to place or arrange for the placement of a child in a proposed adoptive home.

Section 2. A new § 76206 is *added* to Article 2 of Chapter 76, Division 3, Title 11, Guam Code Annotated, to read:

"§ 76206. Businesses Engaged in Child Placement Services.

(a) An endorsement for operating an adoption service or adoption agency must be obtained by any person, corporation, partnership, voluntary association, or other identifiable group of entities, who engages in the business of placing a child in an adoptive home, to include planning for or assisting in the placement of any child in an adoptive home. Such required endorsement is an applicant's license issued by the Department of Public Health and Social Services under Public Law 36-68.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule, or regulation, the Department of Revenue and Taxation shall not issue a business license and/or establish a Gross Receipts Tax or Employer Identification Number for an applicant to operate an adoption service or agency without an endorsement from the Department of Public Health and Social Services."

Section 3. A new § 13510 is *added* to Article 5 of Chapter 13, Title 19, Guam Code Annotated, to read:

"§ 13510. Business License Endorsement.

A business license endorsement shall not be granted to any person, corporation, partnership, voluntary association, or other identifiable group of entities who engages in the business of placing a child in an adoptive home and who does not comply with applicable laws of this Chapter and duly adopted administrative rules and regulations."

Section 4. Effective Date. This Act shall be effective upon enactment.