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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. A new § 73157 is *added* to Article 1, Chapter 73, Title 5, Guam Code Annotated to read as follows:

"**§ 73157. Reporting Customs Officer Violations.**

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any person may file a written complaint with any customs officer or the Guam Customs and Quarantine agency or the Guam Police Agency alleging the commission of a crime or misconduct on the part of a customs officer or employee of the Agency. A customs officer shall, upon receipt of any credible information alleging the commission of a crime by any customs officer or Agency employee, forward within forty-eight (48) hours the information so received to the Chief of Customs. The Chief of Customs shall forward the alleged violations to the Internal Affairs unit of the Agency and to the Commission, and shall further forward a copy of the alleged violations to the Attorney General.

(b) The Chief of Customs shall, within thirty (30) working days of receipt of the information described in Subsection (a) of this Section, prepare

a statement open to the public indicating the preliminary disposition of the allegation. The Chief of Customs shall prepare a summary of all allegations filed and their final disposition in the Agency's annual report.

(c) Upon receipt of the report the Attorney General shall review all records and other information submitted and may initiate an independent investigation of the alleged violation.

(d) Any customs officer or Agency employee who fails to forward the information or fails to make reports required by this Section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars ($1,000.00) or by imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, or both."