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BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	FISCAL NOTES	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
268-37 (COR) As amended by the Committee on General Government Operations and Appropriations; and further amended in the Committee of the Whole	Telo T. Taitague Joanne M. Brown	AN ACT TO ADD NEW SECTIONS 67111, 67112, AND 67113 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 67 OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.	4/12/24 12:37 p.m.	4/16/24	Committee on General Government Operations and Appropriations	Request: 4/16/24 4/29/24	5/8/24 2:00 p.m.	5/15/24 3:44 p.m.	As amended by the Committee on General Government Operations and Appropriations
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	5/28/24	AN ACT TO <i>ADD</i> NEW §§ 67111, 67112, AND 67113 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 67, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE GUAM OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.	5/31/24	5/31/24	6/12/24	37-101	6/5/24	Received: 6/5/24 Messages and Communications Doc. No. 37GL-24-2173	

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June 5, 2024

THE HON. AMANDA SHELTON, *Acting Speaker*
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OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
THERESE M. TERLAJE

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Re: Bill No. 268-37 (COR) – AN ACT TO ADD NEW §§ 67111, 67112, AND 67113 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 67, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE GUAM OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Bill No. 285-37 (LS) – AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) FROM FISCAL YEAR 2024 GENERAL FUND REVENUES COLLECTED IN EXCESS OF THE ADOPTED LEVELS ENUMERATED IN PUBLIC LAW 37-42, AS AMENDED, TO THE GUAM OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS RELATIVE TO INCREASING SERVICES AND OPERATIONS

Håfa Adai Acting Speaker,

Bill Nos. 268-37 (COR) and 285-37 (LS) respond to the evolving needs of our veteran community by expanding and enhancing support systems available through the Guam Office of Veterans Affairs.

Bill 268 appropriates Three Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$340,000) from Fiscal Year 2024 General Fund revenues to the Guam Office of Veterans Affairs to hire personnel to assist veterans with appointments and to purchase a vehicle to take veterans to and from medical appointments and pharmacies. Bill 285 allocates One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) from Fiscal Year 2024 General Fund revenues to hire six (6) veteran service representatives and six (6) veterans cemetery workers.

Our administration values the sacrifice of those who have dedicated their lives in service to our island and our nation. For this reason, we are committed to providing high standards of care to our veterans, including our plans to build a dedicated veteran's clinic in our future medical

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received
6/5/24 6:25 pm
Legislative Secretary
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To: The Hon. Amanda Shelton, Acting Speaker
Fr: The Hon. Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, Governor of Guam
Date: June 5, 2024
Re: Bill No. 268-37 (COR) and Bill No. 285-37 (LS)

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campus. Bill Nos. 268-37 and 285-37 will further these goals, and ensure that our veterans have access to medical facilities and pharmacies, and receive the best available medical care.

For these reasons, I sign Bill Nos. 268-37 (COR) and 285-37 (LS) into **Public Law No. 37-101 and Public Law No. 37-102**, respectively.

Senseramente,



LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO

I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Governor of Guam

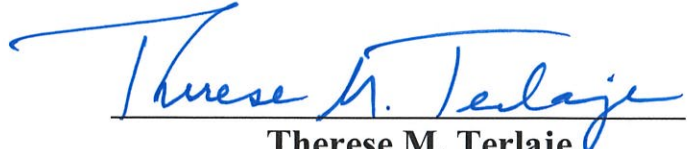
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Bill No. 285-37 (LS) nka P.L. 37-102

cc via email: *Honorable* Joshua F. Tenorio, *Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Lt. Governor of Guam
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I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2024 (SECOND) Regular Session

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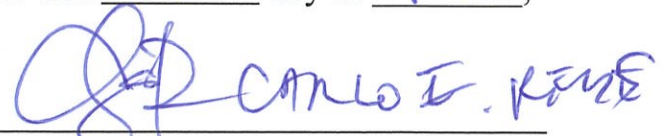
This is to certify that **Bill No. 268-37 (COR)**, "AN ACT TO ADD NEW §§ 67111, 67112, AND 67113 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 67, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE GUAM OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS," was on the 31st day of May 2024, duly and regularly passed.


Therese M. Terlaje
Speaker

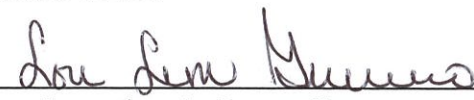
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Amanda L. Shelton
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 31ST day of MAY,
2024, at 5:22 o'clock P.M.

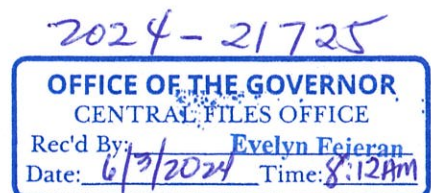

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APPROVED:


Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: 6/5/2024

Public Law No. 37-101



I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
2024 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 268-37 (COR)

As amended by the Committee on General Government Operations and Appropriations; and further amended in the Committee of the Whole.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO *ADD* NEW §§ 67111, 67112, AND 67113 TO ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 67, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE GUAM OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.

1 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

2 **Section 1.** New §§ 67111, 67112 and 67113 are *added* to Article 1 of
3 Chapter 67, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated to read:

4 **“§ 67111. Veterans Healthcare Assistance.**

1 The Guam Office of Veterans Affairs shall provide information on various
2 programs available to veterans in the area of healthcare. The Office shall:

3 (a) provide assistance to disabled and elderly veterans in the
4 scheduling of patient appointments, tracking, reviewing, and responding to
5 electronic orders and consultations;

6 (b) provide assistance to eligible veterans in the filling of
7 prescriptions, coordination of their appointments, creation and maintenance
8 of medical documentation files, and other services that would enhance the
9 patient-healthcare provider relationship; and

10 (c) provide non-emergency transportation for eligible veterans to
11 and from medical appointments and pharmacies.

12 Employment positions may be created, if necessary, and filled in accordance
13 with established administrative rules and regulations; however, nothing herein is to
14 be construed or interpreted as to limit the office from implementing the services and
15 provisions of this Section prior to the establishment of positions and the creation and
16 adjudication of administrative rules and regulations.

17 **§ 67112. Administrative Rules and Regulations.**

18 The Director shall develop rules and regulations, consistent with the
19 provisions of Chapter 9, 5 GCA, for the implementation and operation of veterans'
20 medical support services.

21 **§ 67113. Funding.**

22 Initial funding for the implementation of § 67111, *supra*, in the amount of
23 Three Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (**\$340,000**) is appropriated from the General
24 Fund from excess Fiscal Year 2024 revenues. Thereafter, the Director shall include
25 needed funding in the Office's annual budget request. This appropriation shall be
26 available until fully expended. The appropriations from this Act shall be transferred
27 to the Guam Office of Veterans Affairs no later than the enactment of this Act. The

- 1 funds allocated and authorized in this Section are not subject to *I Maga'hågan*
- 2 *Guåhan*'s transfer authority.”