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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
276-37 (LS) As amended on the Floor	Chris Barnett Sabina Flores Perez Joanne M. Brown Tina Rose Muña Barnes Therese M. Terlaje Telo T. Taitague Frank Blas, Jr. Christopher M. Dueñas	AN ACT TO <i>ADD</i> A NEW PARAGRAPH (c) TO § 3103 OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO REQUIRING ALL REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION TO THE GUAM EDUCATION BOARD BE POSTED ON THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WEBSITE.	4/19/24 3:42 p.m.	4/23/24	Committee on Education, Public Safety and the Arts	Request: 4/23/24 Waiver: 4/30/24	5/22/24 2:00 p.m.	6/12/24 8:16 a.m.	
	SESSION DATE	TITLE	DATE PASSED	TRANSMITTED	DUE DATE	PUBLIC LAW NO.	LAPSED	NOTES	
12/5/24	AN ACT TO <i>ADD</i> A NEW SUBSECTION (c) TO § 3103 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING THAT ALL REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION TO THE GUAM EDUCATION BOARD BE POSTED ON THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WEBSITE.	12/16/24	12/17/24	12/28/24	37-139	12/28/24	Received: 12/28/24 Messages and Communications Doc. No. 37GL-24-3159		

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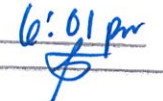
Transmitted via Email to: speaker@guamlegislature.org

December 28, 2024

THE HON. THERESE M. TERLAJE, *Speaker*
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Time: 6:01 pm
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RE: Bill No. 276-37 (LS), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION (r) TO § 3103 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING THAT ALL REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION TO THE GUAM EDUCATION BOARD BE POSTED ON THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WEBSITE"

Håfa Adai Madam Speaker,

Bill No. 276-37 (LS) requires that all reports by the Superintendent of Education to the Guam Education Board (GEB) be posted on the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) website.

During testimony on this bill, Superintendent of Education Dr. Kenneth Swanson made it clear: "The posting of the subject reports is already enshrined in GEB policy and has been in place for several years. The subject documents are already uploaded and indexed from 2020 forward. The proposed change is redundant to the practice already in place." This testimony highlights a glaring truth—the bill's author and education oversight chair has chosen to spend valuable time formalizing a process that has been functioning effectively for years instead of addressing more pressing challenges faced by our island's education system.

While I appreciate the education oversight chair's zeal for transparency, it is disappointing that his efforts result in a law that mirrors what is already standard practice. While codifying existing practices may feel productive, it does little to advance the issues that truly matter to our public school system.

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RECEIVED
12/25/24
10:27 a.m.

To: The Hon. Therese M. Terlaje, Speaker
Fr: The Hon. Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, Governor of Guam
Date: December 28, 2024
Re: Bill No. 276-37 (LS)

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For these reasons, Bill No. 276-37 (LS) will lapse into law without my signature as **Public Law No. 37-139**.

Senseramente,



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Governor of Guam

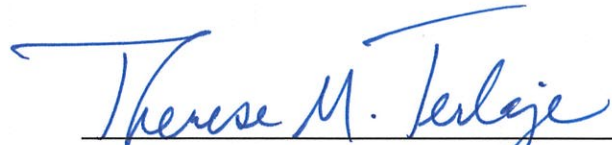
Enclosure(s): Bill No. 276-37 (LS) nka P.L. 37-139.

cc via email: *Honorable* Joshua F. Tenorio, *Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Lt. Governor of Guam
Compiler of Laws

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

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

This is to certify that **Bill No. 276-37 (LS)**, "AN ACT TO *ADD A NEW SUBSECTION (r) TO § 3103 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING THAT ALL REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION TO THE GUAM EDUCATION BOARD BE POSTED ON THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WEBSITE,*" was on the 16th day of December 2024, duly and regularly passed.



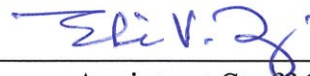
Therese M. Terlaje
Speaker

Attested:



Chris Barnett
Acting Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 17th day of Dec.,
2024, at 3:52 o'clock P.M.



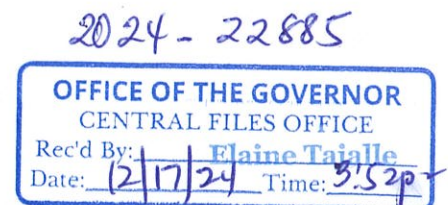
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APPROVED:

Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: 12/28/2024

Public Law No. 37-139



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Bill No. 276-37 (LS)

As amended on the Floor.

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

2 **Section 1.** A new Subsection (r) is *added* to § 3103 of Article 1, Chapter 3,
3 Title 17, Guam Code Annotated, to read as follows:

4 “(r) All reports of the Superintendent of Education to the Guam Education
5 Board that are required by public law, the Guam Administrative Rules and

1 Regulations, or Guam Education Board Policy, as a condition of receipt of grants-
2 in-aid, as a condition of contract, or at the request of the Guam Education Board,
3 shall be posted on the Guam Department of Education website within five (5) days
4 after the report is officially transmitted to the Board, except for those reports that are
5 confidential pursuant to public law. Board packets from each board meeting shall
6 also be posted on the Guam Department of Education website within five (5) days
7 after each board meeting. Confidential information contained in any report or board
8 packet that contains public information shall be redacted prior to the report being
9 posted on the website.”