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Bill Log Sheet

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES
179-32(COR) P.L. 32-113	B. J.F. Cruz T.R. Muña-Barnes J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D.	AN ACT TO AMEND P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.	9/6/13 11:44 a.m.	09/09/13	Committee on General Governmental Affairs and Cultural Affairs	10/7/13 10 a.m.	1/24/14 3:51 p.m.	**Fiscal Note Requested 09/24/13 Fiscal Note Waiver Received 10/17/13**
	DATE PASSED	**TITLE**	**TRANSMITTED**		**DUE DATE**	**DATE SIGNED BY I MAGA'LAHEN GUAHAN**	**PUBLIC LAW NO.**	**NOTES**
	2/1/2014	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 3 OF PUBLIC LAW 30-83, RELATIVE TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS TO BE HELD ON GUAM IN 2016.	02/01/14	10:50 p.m.	2/13/2014	2/10/2014	32-113	**As substituted by the Committee on General Governemnt Opertationas & Cultural Affairs.**

EDDIE BAZA CALVO
Governor

RAY TENORIO
Lieutenant Governor

Office of the Governor of Guam

FEB 13 2014

32-14-1294

Office of the Speaker
Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Date 2/14/14
Time 3:56PM
Received by

Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker
I Mina'trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
155 Hesler Street
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Madame Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 179-32 (COR) **"AN ACT TO *AMEND* SECTION 3 OF PUBLIC LAW 30-83, RELATIVE TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS TO BE HELD ON GUAM IN 2016"** which I signed into law on February 10, 2014 as **Public Law 32-113.**

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Senseramente,

EDDIE BAZA CALVO

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I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that **Substitute Bill No. 179-32 (COR), "AN ACT TO *AMEND* SECTION 3 OF PUBLIC LAW 30-83, RELATIVE TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS TO BE HELD ON GUAM IN 2016,"** was on the 1st day of February, 2014, duly and regularly passed.

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker

Attested:

Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'lahen Guåhan* this 1st day of FEB, 2014, at 10:50 o'clock P.M.

Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'lahi's Office

APPROVED:

EDWARD J.B. CALVO
I Maga'lahen Guåhan

Date: FEB 10 2014

Public Law No. 32-113

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
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Introduced by:

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(h) the Speaker of the Guam Youth Congress or his designee; and

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I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
THIRTY-SECOND GUAM LEGISLATURE
155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

February 1, 2014

The Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo
I Maga'lahen Guåhan
Ufisinan I Maga'lahi
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear *Maga'lahi* Calvo:

Transmitted herewith are Bill and Substitute Bill Nos. 61-32(COR), 70-32(COR), 71-32(COR), 130-32(COR), 146-32(COR), 169-32(COR), 179-32(COR), 180-32(COR), 190-32(COR), 192-32(COR), 197-32(COR), 201-32(COR), 202-32(COR), 204-32(COR), 206-32(COR), 214-32(COR), 221-32(COR), 225-32(COR), 226-32(COR), 231-32(COR), 232-32(COR), 235-32(COR), 236-32(COR), 237-32(COR), 242-32(COR), 245-32(COR), 247-32(COR), 248-32(COR) and 268-32(LS) which were passed by *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on February 1, 2014.

Sincerely,

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary

FEB 1, 2014
10:50 p.m.

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APPROVED:

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Date: _____

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LEGISLATIVE SESSION

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN

2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

Voting Sheet

Speaker Antonio R. Unipingco Legislative Session Hall
February 1, 2014

Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
As substituted by the Committee on General Government Operations & Cultural Affairs

NAME	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent
Senator Thomas "Tom" C. ADA	✓				
Senator V. Anthony "Tony" ADA	✓				
Senator Frank Blas AGUON Jr.	✓				
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. CRUZ	✓				
Senator Christopher M. DUENAS	✓				
Senator Michael LIMTIACO	✓				
Senator Brant McCREADIE	✓				
Senator Thomas "Tommy" MORRISON	✓				
Senator Tina Rose MUÑA BARNES	✓				
Senator Vicente (ben) Cabrera PANGELINAN	✓				
Senator Rory J. RESPICIO	✓				
Senator Dennis G. RODRIGUEZ, Jr.	✓				
Senator Michael F. Q.SAN NICOLAS	✓				
Speaker Judith T. WON PAT, Ed.D.	✓				
Senator Aline A. YAMASHITA, Ph.D.	✓				
TOTAL	15				
	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

Clerk of the Legislature

I = Pass

SENATOR BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ, VICE SPEAKER
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January 22, 2014

The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat
Speaker
I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
32nd Guam Legislature
155 Hesler Place
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

VIA: The Honorable Rory J Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

RE: Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted

Dear Speaker Won Pat:

Transmitted herewith is the Report of Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

Committee votes are as follows:

5 TO DO PASS
____ TO NOT PASS
2 TO REPORT OUT ONLY
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____ TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

Sincerely,

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Chairperson

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COMMITTEE REPORT

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January 22, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: **All Members**

FROM: **Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz**
Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

SUBJECT: **Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted**

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – "An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016."

This report includes the following:

- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest
- Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
- Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Copies of Submitted Testimony & Supporting Documents
- COR Referral of Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
- Fiscal Note Requirement
- Notices of Public Hearing
- Public Hearing Agenda
- Related News Reports

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ

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COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS	SIGNATURE	TO DO PASS	TO NOT PASS	TO REPORT OUT ONLY	TO ABSTAIN	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE
CRUZ, BENJAMIN J.F. Chairperson		✓				
MUÑA BARNES, TINA ROSE Vice-Chairperson						
WON PAT, JUDITH T. Speaker and Ex-Officio Member		✓				
ADA, THOMAS C. Member		✓				
PANGELINAN, C. VICENTE Member						
RESPICIO, RORY J. Member		1-22-14				
RODRIGUEZ, DENNIS G. JR. Member						
SAN NICOLAS, MICHAEL, F.Q. Member 1/22/14		✓		✓		
AGUON, Jr., FRANK B. Member 22JAN 14						
ADA, V. ANTHONY Member						
Morrison, Thomas Member				✓		
McCreadie, Brant Member						
YAMASHITA, ALINE Member						

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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

I. OVERVIEW

Bill No. 179-32 (COR) was introduced by B.J.F. Cruz, T.R. Muña Barnes, and J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. on **September 6, 2013**, and subsequently referred to the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs on **September 9, 2013**.

The **Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs** convened a public hearing on **Monday**, **October 7, 2013**, at **10:00AM** in the Public Hearing Room *of I Liheslatura.* Among the items on the agenda was Bill No. 179-32 (COR) – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

The public hearing for Bill No. 179-32 (COR) began at 10:27AM and ended at 11:17AM.

Public Notice Requirements

All legal requirements for public notices were met, with requests for publication sent to all media and all Senators on **September 30, 2013**, and **October 3, 2013**, via email. Copies of the hearing notices are appended to the report.

Senators Present

Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, *Chairperson*
Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., *Ex-Officio Member*
Senator Thomas C. Ada, *Member*
Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, *Member*
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr., *Member*
Senator Christopher M. Duenas, *Member*
Senator V. Anthony Ada, *Member*
Senator Michael Limtiaco, *Member*
Senator Thomas Morrison, *Member*
Senator Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D., *Member*

Oral Testimony

*Selina Onederas-Salas
*Joseph Artero-Cameron, *President, Department of Chamorro Affairs*
*Monica Okada Guzman, *Chairperson, Guam Council on the Arts & Humanities*
*Theresa C. Arriola, *Chairperson, 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee*
*Kie Susuico, *Board Member, Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru*

**Also provided written testimony.*

Additional Written Testimony

Andrea Nicole Grajek, *Artist/Illustrator*
Chamoru Nation (*provided by Mr. Susuico*)
Mayor June U. Blas and Vice Mayor Jessie P. Bautista, *Municipality of Barrigada*
Jonathan Guerrero
Cara Flores-Mays
Maria Cristobal

II. TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

Chairman Benjamin J.F Cruz announced Bill No. 179-32 (COR) then gave his comments as the sponsor of the bill:

> "As the community may know, Guam was awarded the honor of hosting the South Pacific Festival of the Arts (FestPac) in 2016—that's barely 30 months away. I know nobody likes to hear that number; it's scary. We're almost at the end of 2013. The Coordinating Committee bas been meeting and it was the Committee's recommendation that the legislation be amended to include the Chairperson of the Committee of Tourism of *I Lehislaturan Guahan* or its successor committee, the Chairperson of the Guam Commerce or his or her designee, the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or his or her designee, and the Commander of Joint Region Marianas (JRM) or his or her designee. So that bill is now up for hearing."

Chairman Cruz acknowledged individuals who signed up to testify and invited them to approach the panel.

Ms. Selina Onederas-Salas read her written testimony (*written testimony appended to this report*). She stated that she supports all inclusions in Bill No. 179-32 (COR) except for the addition of the Commander of JRM to the Coordinating Committee.

Mr. Joseph Artero-Cameron, President of the Department of Chamorro Affairs, began his testimony in Chamorro. Translated in summary, he expressed his support of the bill.

> "This measure is very important because it includes all people in this community. For more than two years I've watched this Committee work to get us where we are. My understanding is not the same as the woman who spoke before me. Our primary concern should be the entire community from wherever you may come. I would not like it if this Committee becomes political; the responsibility of this group is heavy. This is not an issue for politics; this is an issue for our community. The military is a part of the community and they can help us host delegates from 27 island nations. The discussion of excluding the military is distasteful. The intent of this measure is to bring more people in and that is very important. For example, I understand the limitations of the Executive branch but when we were getting ready to go to the Solomon Islands I was told at the airport that we could not bring some delegates because there was

no money. But we failed to understand how important transportation is and that's why we needed these people. More than 3,000 people will arrive on Guam. We went to the Solomon Islands to see how to transport and house FestPac delegates but those who were responsible for observing those aspects of the event were not able to attend the festival. Right now we have no plan as to how to bring in 6,500 pounds of starch and other food needed to feed the delegates. The event will require agencies to coordinate and share their resources. For example, without Public Works being fully involved the success of the whole event may be jeopardized. We need clearer lines of communication between stakeholders. At the last FestPac they had clear lines of communication and points of contact, and these are all things that can be implemented for the 2016 FestPac."

Speaking on behalf of the FestPac Taskforce Committee, **Mr. Artero-Cameron** continued his oral testimony, remarking that the Committee has been meeting for more than two years and its members "know what it takes to move forward." He said that the Committee has been receiving messages from the South Pacific Community that they "are doing great", which puts great pressure on Guam as a community. He stated that he does not concur with Ms. Onederas-Salas statement that this is "a political nightmare," and he welcomes the inclusion of the military in the Coordinating Committee. He supports all the inclusions proposed by Bill No. 179-32 (COR) but he wants to recommend four additional members: the Director of the Guam Department of Agriculture or his or her designee, the Director of the Department of Public Works or his or her designee, Guam's Point of Contact for the Secretariat of the Pacific Communities, and the General Manager of the Guam International Airport Authority or his or her designee.

Ms. Monica Okada Guzman, Chairperson of the Guam Council on the Arts & Humanities (CAHA), greeted the Committee members present and read her written testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR) (*written testimony appended to this report*). She recommends that the inclusion of the Executive Director of CAHA as a member of the Coordinating Committee, be changed to the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of CAHA. Currently, the Executive Director is also the President, who is already included in the Committee. She also recommended the addition of the First Lady as a voting member of the Committee as the Honorary Chairperson.

Chairman Cruz acknowledged that Ms. Guzman has been holding quarterly meetings and that she has been leading the Coordinating Committee. He thanked Ms. Guzman for her efforts.

Ms. Theresa C. Arriola, Chairperson of the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee, read her written testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR) (*written testimony appended to this report*). She stated that she looks forward to working with First Lady Calvo and the additional members proposed by the bill.

Mr. Kie Susuico, Board Member of *Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru* (Guardians of the Chamorro Culture), read his written testimony in opposition to Bill 179-32 (COR) regarding the inclusion of the Commander of JRM and the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce to the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee (*written testimony appended to this report*).

Chairman Cruz thanked Mr. Susuico and acknowledged that it was his motion during the Coordinating Committee meeting to expand the membership. He explained that FestPac is going to be a $13-million endeavor, adding that according to Ms. Arriola's initial estimate, they currently only have $5 million in cash. Chairman Cruz mentioned recent efforts to collect $2.5 million in unremitted Hotel Occupancy Taxes but FestPac might only be able to get $13 million. To provide an example of an expense related to hosting such a festival, he mentioned that a participant of the previous FestPac in the Solomon Islands reported that attendants were provided cellphones for the event. He questioned Mr. Susuico's opposition of the bill and his comprehension of the matter, asking him rhetorically how Guam will be able to raise money for the event without the help of the Guam Chamber of Commerce. Chairman Cruz admitted that his inclusion of the Commander of JRM was based on his experience during the 1999 South Pacific Games (SPG) as Chairperson of Protocol Committee. The SPG participants encountered visa problems and he anticipates similar challenges for the 2016 FestPac. He said that Hawaii, the host of the 2020 FestPac, is now looking at how Guam will handle the immigration issue. He remarked that the military has proven to be very valuable members of the Guam community, actively participating in foster home programs, Special Olympics events, and public school cleanups.

Mr. Susuico responded, comparing the participation of the U.S. military in FestPac planning activities to "having slave owners plan Black History Month." He mentioned that American Samoa did not need military assistance to host their FestPac event.

Chairman Cruz replied that he understands Mr. Susuico's opposition from the perspective of an indigenous member of the community. He reiterated that FestPac is a large and costly endeavor and while previous hosts were able to receive financial assistance from other countries, Guam, as a U.S. territory, is not able to avail of financial help from foreign states. He said that the Guam will have to shoulder all the costs of hosting the event, and the Coordinating Committee needs the Chamber's help to figure out how to raise the necessary funds. He added that the assistance that Guam will receive to host FestPac depends on the volunteer efforts of the entire Guam community.

Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. remarked that hosting FestPac is larger than individual issues and that the cost required is overwhelming. She said that the expansion of membership of the Coordinating Committee is necessary but she suggested a compromise of adding designations for voting, non-voting members, and ex-officio members. She said that inclusion of more members could make decision-making unruly without the membership designations. She acknowledges that culture

has eroded in Guam. She stated the importance of placing artist practitioners at the center and that all others should help in realizing the success of this event.

Senator Christopher M. Duenas suggested the addition of the Adjutant General of the National Guard, in lieu of the Commander of JRM, to the Coordinating Committee as a voting member. He stated that General has direct contact to the resources of the National Guard. He said that the Chairman's anxiety is warranted because FestPac will need all the help it can get. He concluded his statement in Chamorro, saying he's Chamorro and he respects the men and woman at war right now who are serving to protect Guam.

Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas stated that he never perceived inclusion to be antithetical to Chamorro identity or strength. He noted that many Chamorro values are not indigenous to Guam but they have become a part of Chamorro culture. He stated that including more stakeholders into the planning of FestPac would display the strength of the Chamorro culture and that the mentality of inclusion is the right direction for the next generation of Chamorros. He added that Chamorros have embraced many concepts of the colonizers, including capital markets, business, finance, and industry. He credits the specialness of the Chamorro people to their resilience and adaptation. He said he supports the views of the Chairman Cruz and he is not intimidated by the inclusion of the Commander of JRM; rather collaboration with the military would show the continued strength and confidence of the Chamorro people. He recommended that other groups, such as the Women's Chamber, should also be included.

Senator Michael Limtiaco highlighted Mr. Cameron's recommendation, specifically the Director of Department of Agriculture and the Director of the Department of Public Works, and how those additions to the Coordinating Committee would be beneficial to the FestPac event.

Chairman Cruz, on the account that there was no one else present to provide oral testimony, adjourned the public hearing for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on testimony provided at the measure's public hearing, Substitute Bill 179-32 (COR) reflects a single amendment: the addition of the Guam Legislature's Chairperson on Tourism as a member of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

The Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs to which was referred "Bill No. 179-32 (COR) – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016" hereby submits these findings to *I Mina' Trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan* and reports out Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted, with a recommendation TO PASS.

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2013 (First) Regular Session

2013 SEP -6 AM 11:44

Bill No. 79-30 (COR)

Introduced by:

B. J.F. Cruz
T.R. Muña-Barnes
J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

AN ACT TO *AMEND* P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.

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I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2014 (Second) Regular Session

Bill No. 179-32 (COR)

Introduced by: ***As Substituted**
By the Committee on General Government
Operations & Cultural Affairs

B. J.F. Cruz
T.R. Muña-Barnes
J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

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Selma Onedera-Salas	Self	Support/oppose	✓	✓	477-7415	
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Monica Guzman	CHHA	Support		✓	646-3448	
Mdresa Arriola	2016 FestPac	support	✓			

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KIE SUSUICO			✓			

Oga'an minagof giya hamyo. My name is Selina Onedera-Salas, and I am here to submit testimony on Bill 179-32.

According to the website for the South Pacific Community, the Festival of Pacific Arts was intended for Pacific Islanders from Melanesia, Micronesia, and Polynesia to come together to "attempt to combat the erosion of traditional customary practices" through the expression of cultural art. This quadrennial gathering was designed to provide an open and safe space for us to share and learn about the experiences of our island sisters and brothers and for us to learn more about ourselves as a Pacific community. It is through this exchange of cultural artistic expression that our people are able to gain a broader and deeper appreciation of what it is that we seek to preserve, no matter what discipline of art we practice in.

Although I do not agree that hosting the festival should be viewed as a commercial opportunity or should be commercially-driven, I understand why we may feel compelled to call on the Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce and the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association. I fully support the inclusion of the Chairperson of the Legislative Committee on Tourism. What I am most concerned with, however, is the intent to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas.

The inclusion of this position will effectively demonstrate and perpetuate the idea that Guam is incapable of hosting an event of this magnitude without the assistance and employment of the military community in an official, decision-making capacity.

I have been told that the purpose of adding the Commander as a member of the Coordinating Committee is to ensure **inclusivity** in planning and hosting this festival as well as for the JRM's support with logistics. I believe that if we wish to convey a message of being inclusive, we can invite our friends from the military community to volunteer to assist us, in the very same manner and fashion that every other civilian volunteer will.

Perhaps the government of Guam may enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the JRM and its Commander to provide the support that is solicited. This gesture would be welcomed, but as a private citizen and one who is interested in participating as a delegate, I do not agree that the Commander should have a decision-making role in the coordination of the festival.

I'd like to add that inclusivity goes both ways—if we are to be inclusive of the military community, I'm curious to know whether or not we may freely avail ourselves of facilities that are located on military installations around the island during the festival.

In the meantime, I'd like to refresh the idea of recruiting volunteers from among our high school, college, and university students; various clubs and organizations around the island; and all other law-abiding citizens who pose no threat to the public. Just like our service members, these individuals deserve a chance to participate in providing logistical support so they may learn about the importance of this gathering.

FestPac 2016 is one of very few opportunities for us to be able to tell our stories as the indigenous people of Guam. This is our chance to come together as CHamorus to be able to share our culture through the creativity of our people.

If we really pay attention to why this festival was conceived of in 1972, my statements today should spark more discussions of how Subsection (l) defeats what the great minds of the SPC were considering.

Lastly, I would like to recommend to replace Subsection (l) with the Executive Director or Administrator of the Serve Guam! Commission so that she or he may be tasked with recruiting volunteers from around the island.

I hope that we can maintain the integrity of the festival in solidarity.

Saina ma'åse'

12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS
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what we share – United Voice of the Pacific"

October 3, 2013

The Honorable Benjamin J. F. Cruz
Chairman
Committee on General Government Operations & Cultural Affairs
I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guahan
32nd Guam Legislature
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SUBJECT: Bill No. 179-32 (COR), an act to amend P. L. 30-83 Relative to the Coordinating Committee of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts of 2016.

Buenas & Hafa Adai Chairman Cruz and distinguished members of the Committee on General Government Operations & Cultural Affairs. Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in support of Bill 179 with regards to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

Before proceeding, please allow me on behalf of the Coordinating Committee to take this time to extend our deepest appreciation to the members of the 32nd Guam Legislature for voting on SBill 1 (4-S) now P. L. 32-68, commonly referred to as the FY '14 Budget Act. The appropriation in the Budget Act to the Guam Festpac Trust account in the amount of $200,000 and a potential collection of an estimated $2 Million of all delinquent Hotel Occupancy Tax revenue due to the Government will definitely assist the Festpac Committee in achieving its $13 Million Operating Budget, of which $5 Million cash support is being requested from the Government of Guam.

Currently, the eleven members of the Festpac Committee as outlined in PL 30-83 have been meeting regularly since April 2011 and I can proudly report that plans for 12th Festival on Guam in 2016 are progressing well. At the Committee's regular meeting held on July 24, it was discussed and passed unanimously that the addition of the Chairperson of the Committee on Tourism of I Liheslaturan Guahan or its successor; the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or designee; the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or designee; and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or designee be added to the Committee composition. The current Committee feels strongly that the additions will only enhance our ability to put forth the best plan to host 27 Island Nations from the Pacific which will bring to our shores an estimated 3,500 delegates. The talent and resources of these proposed members will be most welcome.

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Continuing in this spirit, we recently met with First Lady Christine Calvo who graciously accepted the Committee's request to be Honorary Chairperson for the 2016 Festival. We are pleased and look forward to working with First Lady Calvo and the additional members outlined in this bill.

In closing, it is my experience when executing regional and international events with high protocol demands, success and smooth implementation of Guam's hosting could not be possible without the involvement and cooperation of all sectors of our island. Bill 179 will assist in accomplishing this goal. We ask that the 32nd Guam Legislature support Bill 179 and immediately seek passage at the next regularly scheduled Legislative Session.

Thank you for your time. Please feel free to contact me directly at 482-9231 or by email if you or any member of your Committee require more information.

Un Dankalu Na Saina Ma'ase,

THERESA C. ARRIOLA
Chairperson

Cc: Members, 2016 Festpac Coordinating Committee

Testimony In Support of Bill 179-32

Submitted by Monica Guzman, Chair, Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities (CAHA)

Hafa Adai and Good Morning!

Håfa Iyo-ta, Håfa Guinahå-ta, Håfa Ta Påtte, Dinanña' Sunidon Bos Siha Gi Iya Pasifiku
What We Own, What We Have, What We Share, United Voices of the Pacific

This is the theme of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts in Guam. It is very inclusive and speaks to the intent of Bill 179-32; bringing all sectors of the community together to plan and welcome our Pacific Island neighbors to Guam. I am in support of Bill 179-32, which expands the membership of the Coordinating Committee. In 2016, Guam will welcome up to 3500 delegates for the Festival of Pacific Arts from 27 island nations to participate in over 40 different art forms and cultural events over a 14 day period. It will be one of the largest events that Guam will host, second only to the South Pacific Games which Guam hosted in 1975 and again in 1999.

Annually, GVB is tasked with coordinating the Guam Micronesia Island Fair, which includes 20 delegates from 9 island nations for a 3-day event. This effort requires coordination among the government departments and agencies, cooperation and support from the business community and collaboration with our cultural practitioners, entrepreneurs and non-profit organizations. This same effort, multiplied 10x is required for the Festival in 2016.

The inclusion of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Chairperson of the Legislative Committee on Tourism and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas ensures that ALL sectors of our community are engaged in this celebration of culture.

I would like to request that as with the Guam Visitors Bureau, the language in Bill 179-32, Item B, be changed to read:

(b) the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities or his designee;

Currently the bill identifies the Executive Director of CAHA as a member of the Coordinating Committee. Since the reorganization of the Department of Chamorro Affairs (DCA), the Executive Director is the President of DCA, who is already a member of the Committee.

For the past 2 years, as Chair of CAHA, I have been attending the Committee meetings. CAHA has been leading the efforts in gathering our cultural practitioners and artists together in meetings since November 2012, to determine the programming that will be offered during the Festival. The 5 subcommittees formed include the Visual Arts, Literary Arts, Performing Arts, Traditional Arts and Seminars, Workshops and Forums. CAHA is also the lead agency that sits on the Council of Pacific Arts and Culture that oversees the Festival of Pacific Arts. Additionally, we have regular dialogue with the Council, giving them updates on the planning efforts in Guam. For your information, they are very pleased with our progress and look forward to receiving more information as it becomes available.

Additionally, I would like to suggest that in this legislation, the First Lady be included as a voting member of the Coordinating Committee as the Honorary Chair.

Since 1972, Guam has participated in all previous Festivals and many island nations have hosted, housed and welcomed our delegates. It is now our opportunity to welcome our Pacific Island brothers and sisters to our island home. Let us do it in true Chamorro hospitality. Thank you very much and Si Yu'os Ma'ase!



Guam Festival of the Pacific Arts 2016
Programming Committee

Theme

What We Own, What We Have, What We Share,
United Voices of the Pacific

Håfa Iyo-ta, Håfa Guinahå-ta, Håfa Ta Påtte,
Dinanña' Sunidon Bos Siha Gi Iya Pasifiku

Hafa adai!

My name is Kie Susuico. I am an indigenous cultural artist here on Guåhan. I am here to submit my testimony in opposition to Bill 179-32, regarding the inclusion of the Commander of Joint Region Marianas or his designee and the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his designee to the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee.

Bill 179-32 seems like an attempt to showcase a homogenized Guamanian culture rather than truly represent our indigenous Chamoru culture at the 2016 FestPac to be held here on Guåhan. I believe the involvement of the Joint Region Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce will present an image of a Chamoru Nation that is forever dependent on the US and its military forces, rather than Chamorus as a strong Oceanic people.

Throughout Guåhan's history, we can see and feel the devastating impact the US and its military has had on our culture and language. For example, in 1918, the US prohibited Chamoru language and culture in public institutions and government offices. So how can we today allow them to have a say in what Chamorro culture is? I cannot imagine why they would be a part of our cultural celebration.

To me, FestPac is a celebration and sharing of indigenous cultures. As cultural producers and artists of Guåhan, we give our people the ability to imagine our history and identity as the foundation for moving us toward Chamoru self-determination.

I believe that Guåhan can host this cultural event without military involvement, just as Palau did in 2004 and American Samoa in 2008. If they were able to host 27 countries with the humble resources they had, why can't we? Why can't we imagine a more grassroots approach that brings together our community as a whole, including our high school and university students, local businesses and non-governmental organizations to make FestPac 2016 a TRUE success?

Saina ma'åse',



Kie Susuico
Board member, Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru (Guardians of the Chamoru culture)

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October 7, 2013

Hafa adai,

I am writing to you today to submit testimony for Bill 179-32.

While I do support the other choices for Committee Members, I do not understand why the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas would be added. I feel like our hosting this festival for our brothers and sisters of the Pacific is a great honor and is a way to showcase our Chamorro spirit, culture, and artistry. By having the JRM in a decision making position, it will give the impression, to our guests and our own people, that we can't even do this without the military. Are we not getting tired of that? So much of our lives, as indigenous and locals, is affected by military decisions and this festival does not have to be another one of those times.

I understand wanting to be inclusive. So invite the men and women serving in the military to join us as volunteers, participants, not as soldiers, but as individuals living on Guam, as community members. I think that would be a warmer and more natural way to include them.

Please reconsider.

Thank you for your time and work,

Andrea Nicole Grajek
Artist / Illustrator

Chairperson, The Festival of Pacific Arts
Human Development Programme – SPC Headquarters
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October 6, 2013

Hafa adai Honorable Chairperson of The Festival of Pacific Arts,

We are writing to ask for a letter of support from the Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Human Development Programme – Festival of Pacific Arts (FestPac) Committee to ensure that as host of the 2016 FestPac, Guam upholds the intent of FestPac, to "combat the erosion of traditional customary practices" (1972 SPC Governing Conference).

Chamoru Nation, part of a collective of non-profit organizations and NGO's committed to perpetuating and protecting the rights and culture of indigenous Chamorus, humbly requests your Committee shed some light on the politics, history and struggle of the cultural effort of FestPac.

Recently, Bill 179-32 (see attached) was introduced in the 32nd Guam Legislature. This bill proposes to add four additional members to the 2016 Guam FestPac Coordinating Committee. We are deeply concerned that two of the proposed additional members—primarily, the US Commander of the Joint Region Marianas, and secondly, a representative of the Guam Chamber of Commerce—have been and continue to be proponents to increase US military presence in Guam.

As you may know, Guam continues to be a colony of the United States, making it a non-self governing territory under the auspices of the United Nations awaiting decolonization through the act of self-determination. The influence of the US military on our island is so pervasive such that it has become a natural tendency for our "political officials of Guam" to involve the US military in numerous government functions. Bill 179-32 is an example of this.

We are submitting this appeal to SPC FestPac in hopes that you support our opposition to the inclusion of colonial representatives who will be a part of determining what is indigenous Chamoru culture. We would greatly appreciate your support, and ask that you submit your letter of support no later than Monday, October 21, 2013, addressed to Office of Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F Cruz, 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña Guam 96910. It may also be sent via facsimile to (671) 477-2522, or via email to carlo.branch@senatorbjcruz.com.

Dangkolo na Saina ma'åse' (Thank you).

Sincerely,
Chamoru Nation (NGO) et al.
c/o Kie Susuico (kie.as.in.key@gmail.com)

cc: The Honorable Vice Speaker Benjamin J. Cruz, 32nd Guam Legislature

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September 25, 2013

Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Chairperson, Committee on General Government
Operations and Cultural Affairs
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Hagåtña, Guåhan 96910

Re: Bill No. 179-32 (COR), An act to *amend* P.L. 30-83 relative to the Coordinating Committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

Dear *Senadot* Cruz:

Buenas yan Hafa Adai ginen taotao Barrigada! Vice Mayor Jessie P. Bautista and I, together with members of the Barrigada Municipal Planning Council, hereby submit testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR). FestPac is the largest cultural event in the Pacific held every four years rotating host countries and territories from Polynesia, Melanesia and Micronesia. As we all know, hosting the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts is a major undertaking for Guam that requires communitywide support and participation.

We will encourage all our residents to attend and participate during the activities so they can be accustomed and open minded to the Chamorro language and culture, and be knowledgeable of its history and evolution. *Hami giya Barrigada, bi en eppok todu I taotao mame ya u fanpattesipa gi todu I aktededat siha kosaki u fanyinama I tiningo'-ñiha mas put I haga'-ta yan tumaimanu hit na taotaogues.*

Therefore, passage and enactment of Bill 179-32 (COR) only serves to ensure and bring Guam's plan to host the festival to fruition. More importantly, our visitors and guests will have the opportunity to view Chamorro Arts and Culture at its finest as it is expressed trough song, dance chant, storytelling, and through the skills of our traditional and visual arts. We are confident that through your leadership all participating countries and territories in the Pacific will showcase their cultures for over visitors.

Sinseramente,

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Vice Mayor

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Goodmorning Senators,

My name is Jonathan Guerrero and I am here to submit testimony on Bill 179-32.

Last year a friend of mine shared her experiences with me when she attended the 2012 Festival of Pacific Arts. I must say I was envious of her as I listened to her stories. With passion she described the many people she connected with and the amount of learning and growth she felt after. My envy didn't last long because I found out that Guam would be hosting the Festival here in 2016. I was happy I would have the chance to experience what she experienced. I was also filled with pride. I believe Guam has many valuable things to share with our brothers and sisters throughout the pacific.

I look forward to participating in the Festival and also volunteering. I am disappointed however about **a section in Bill 179-32 which proposes to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas** to the coordinating committee of the Festival. I do not see the logic for having a U.S. Military Commander help coordinate a Festival that was created by Pacific communities to re-claim a sense of "self" separate from military and political interventions.

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Hafa Adai Senators,

A short portion of Bill 179-32 proposes to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas to the Coordinating Committee of the Festival. This seems a minor detail in the grand scheme of planning but I do hope that you'll reconsider for the following reasons.

1. It is locally divisive and completely unnecessary.
2. It is controversial, not just here in Guam, but across the Pacific. Many islanders have suffered and continue to suffer from military activities - the nuclear testing in the Marshalls, contamination of land, taking of land, etc. Whether one is compassionate towards those experiences or not, we have invited and will be hosting people who continue to suffer. It is insensitive and unnecessary.
3. FESTPAC was created ***as a means to stem erosion of traditional cultural practices.*** Even if you want to argue that the military administration has not voluntarily/involuntarily contributed to the erosion of our cultural practices, it does not make sense to include an entity whose goals are completely disaligned with the intentions of FESTPAC.
4. It is disempowering to our cultural community. I believe in the abilities of our people to present and preserve our culture to the rest of the Pacific.
5. If Guam really can't host FESTPAC without the help of the military administration, then, perhaps, we shouldn't host FESTPAC at all!
6. It prevents our service men and women from truly connecting to the culture of FESTPAC. If its in any way related to their job to be there, then it isn't a volunteer experience. Our service men and women should be allowed to volunteer for something related to culture and community without it having any connection to their job.
7. It perpetuates the hegemony that as a community, we aren't smart enough or able enough to do it on our own. We need someone from the Continental United States to show us how because they can always do it better.
8. FESTPAC is inclusive. Everyone is invited to attend. But the indigenous communities represented at FESTPAC are responsible for protecting and guarding our culture and traditions. The committee should be composed of members who are highly familiar with our culture and traditions and are clearly committed to those things, above all else.
9. We can be inclusive without giving away committee seats. Is the military community more important than the filipino community? than the LGBT community? than the korean and palauan and yapese and japanese communities? If we are giving away committee seats to be inclusive than we must be very careful to be inclusive of EVERYONE.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Hafa Adai Senators,
I am submitting testimony against the inclusion of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his Designee in the Festival of Pacific Arts 2014. It is disheartening to have such military presence involved in what should be a venue that promotes cultural revival and decolonization of mind and heart. It is contradictory to me to host a peaceful celebration of Pacific nations, peoples and their independant cultures and then to invite the very country that perpetrates injustice on our Chamoru people (because of their military strategy in some future or current war) – the country that heads our colonization. Why would they need to be involved? To squelch our exuberance in the freedom of expressing ourselves culturally? To protect us from the countries that will come to participate? It sends the wrong message completely. This is not an event for subjugation or war or war-like thinking or war-like logistics. This is a peaceful event to foster our relationship with our Pacific brothers and sisters and to showcase the resilience of our culture (resilient despite hundreds of years of colonization, currently under the U.S.). Please consider the message that is being sent with the participation of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his Designee in FESTPAC 2014. Let our people be proud of what they can accomplish without a "military escort".

Si Yu'os Ma'ase,

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32nd Guam Legislature

From: President
Department of Chamorro Affairs

Date: October 7, 2013
Subject: **Testimony on Bill No. 179-32 (COR)**

Håfa Adai Mr. Chairman and Members to the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs.

I am here today in full support of **Bill No. 179-32 (COR), AN ACT TO AMEND P.L. 30-38 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF THE PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.**

The full membership of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee has been meeting for a little over two (2) years now. Mr. Chairman, you and the rest of our current membership have continued to fully participate in these developmental meetings; and, your oversight committee has made specific recommendations for additional stakeholder participation to our existing makeup of Committee membership.

The proposed addition of four (4) organizations is very much reflective of the need to further collaborate with our communities and organizations, thus ensuring the inclusion of partnerships. The eventual success of Guam's sponsoring the 2016 Festival of the Pacific Arts is best postured with the right mix of Individials and organizations within our Coordinating Committee.

I would like to further propose by way of recommendation four (4) additional members: *(m) the Director of the Guam Department of Agriculture or his/her designee; (n) the Director of the Department of Public Works or his/her designee; (o); Guam's Point of Contact for the Secretariat of the Pacific Communities and (p) the General Manager of the Antonio Borja Wonpat Guam International Airport Authority or his/her designee.*

These additional members recommended, although are clearly from the Executive Branch, nonetheless are major stakeholders to the 2016 Festival of the Pacific Arts, and must be engaged formally in our committee. The tantamount responsibilities of providing produce and food items for our thousands of guests, the capital improvement projects that may be involved in creating venues, the communiqué and essential protocol of the SPC, and the robust activities entailing transportation…will all require immediate attention and tasking within our Committee. Having these four additional members postures immediate attention and action as we continue to deliberate and plan for successes of Guam's FESTPAC 2016. I kindly urge your Committee to consider the inclusion of these four additional members, representing vital entities with the Government of Guam, to the Coordinating Committee.

JOSEPH ARTERO-CAMERON

COMMITTEE ON RULES

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January 28, 2014

MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**

Subject: **Supplement to Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

Hafa Adai!

Transmitted herewith is a memo from Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Chairperson, Committee on General Governmental Operations and Cultural Affairs, forwarding Attachments for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Please include this memo and the attachment as a "Supplemental" to the Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Please make the appropriate indication in your records; and forward to MIS for posting on our website. I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan.*

Si Yu'os Ma'ase'!

cc: Legal Counsel
Clerk of the Legislature
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January 28, 2014

Memorandum

To: Senator Respicio Committee on Rules, Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, Human & Natural Resources, and Election Reform

From: Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Chairman, Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

Subject: ***Supplemental Testimony for Bill No. 179-32 (COR)***

Hafa Adai! Please be advised that I have received supplemental testimony for Bill No. 179-32 (COR) attached herewith. It would be greatly appreciated if the documents were included as a supplement to the committee report for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Thank you for your time and kind consideration of this request.

Fanohge Guåhan

Recipient:

Letter: Greetings,

I say, "NO," to the addition of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas and the Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce (who lobbies for the hypermilitarization of Guam) as official, decision-making members of the Guam 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

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Comments

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Jonathan Diaz	Tot Barrigada, GU	2013-10-21	Pot hafa Na reason? Maolekña at Decolonize fineness
Joseph Certeza	Agana, Guam	2013-10-21	It protects the the true nature of our indigenous culture on Guam.
Lucas Storts	Tamuning, GU	2013-10-21	The military has no business being involved in the planning nor execution of this event. Neither do the business interests of Tourism... If they have their say this event will be rampant with cheap chinese made goods that have no bearing or significance to any cultures represented.
Micky Huihui	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-21	Hasn't the US military done enough damage to the Spirit of Te Moana Nui?!!!
Lani Bordallo	Guam, Guam	2013-10-21	This event has nothing to do with the military and everything to do with "sharing" of cultural traditions of the indegenous peoples of Oceania... of which they know nothing about. "Taking" is the only thing they know.
cecily bishop	Kent, WA	2013-10-21	Keep the military and their assigns OUT of local celebrations! They've done more harm than good and are not welcomed!
dakota camacho	Madison, WI	2013-10-21	The Festival of the Pacific Arts is a response to the Military's destruction of our cultures, languages, and lands. If the military wants to participate in the festival planning, they can clean up the over a hundred toxic dumpsites on they have put on our Island, so we don't have to welcome our Oceanic family to a land of pollution.
Leonard Leon	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-21	Because I believe that a Cultural aevent, or any affair for that matter, is not a place for the u.s. military to hold a Voice. This is an Indigenous space to VOICE themselves through art and every decisions made should be by the cultures hosting the event, or participating in the events. Being american is not a cultural identity. This event is not about being an american, it's about the Pacific.
Erwin Bordallo	Tamuning, Guam	2013-10-21	So that the Arts can expand in a more open and free way.
Ronald T. Laguana	Mangilao, Guam	2013-10-21	INDIGENOUS RIGHTS IS STRAIGHT AND CLEAR. COLONIZERS ARE WHY WE FIGHT FOR POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE AND OUR CULTURAL FREEDOM!
Yuji Ankei	Yamaguchi-shi, Japan	2013-10-21	As an inhabitant of the Japonesia, we share the sea with these Peace-making peoples.
Hannah Middleton	Sydney, Australia	2013-10-22	Arts are life affirming; the military is death-dealing. Violence and war do not solve problems or help build a civilised and sustainable future. THERE MUST BE NO INTRUSION OF THE MILITARY INTO ARTISTIC ENDEAVOURS OF ANY KIND. Guahan is already an overmilitarised island with massive contamination, water and sewage disposal problems. It should not be further militarised.
Vani Catanasiga	Suva, Fiji	2013-10-22	Presence of military affects Pacific islanders ability to participate in a safe sapce
Patricia Blair	Hawaii, AL	2013-10-22	I support freedom for these Islands.
Kie Susuico	Guahan, Guam	2013-10-22	FestPac is a celebration of indigenous cultures in Oceania. Why would we let people who deny us our freedom have a say in who we are and what our culture is. Since 1895 the u.s. has been practicing cultural terrorism against CHamorus through radical dispossession. FREE GUAHAN and Free FestPac 2016.
Sus Shawhan	Waimanalo, HI	2013-10-22	Art and Pacific Islanders deserve respect! No military control; no global corporate control.

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Jacqueline Cruz	Dededo, GU	2013-10-22	preservation of culture and history
Vincent Camacho	Sedro Woolley, WA	2013-10-22	this has NOTHING to do with the military of ANY nation.....it is about OUR nations.....OUR Culture.....
sinahi sinahi	Hafatna, Gu, Guam	2013-10-22	It is a time to GO INDIGENOUS SUPPORT INDIGENOUS!
George Lujan	Dededo, Guam	2013-10-22	Militarism's creeping footprint should NOT be allowed any more space in any land, ocean, sky, 'space', heart or mind. It should 'stay within its current footprint' and work more on returning everything it claims to own back to their indigenous owners. Demilitarize EVERYTHING. Start with Bill 179-32.
Raphael Unpingco	Sinajana, Guam	2013-10-22	the military wasn't there with us in any prior fest pac, nor do they need to be at any future Fest. Pac.. it was a life choice for many on Guam yes, but they are as much members of the community as Spain was in the 1600's. I fail to see how we can even consider sharing with our guests the art of killing for conquering. Dispensa.
Lynyrd Puyat	Seattle, WA	2013-10-22	I don't support the militarization of the Marianas. There are many local concerns that need to be resolved. Pagan is a huge concern.
Moneka de Oro	Mangilao, GU	2013-10-22	The festival was created to celebrate our pacific heritage. Military forces on Guahan have historically and presently degraded Chamoru culture. (from banning the speaking of our language, discouraging the use of native traditional healing and denying access to sacred lands.) As islanders who at a drop of a dime can plan a party/bbq and are renowned for our hospitality we must have pride and faith in ourselves to host FestPac independent of the world's most deliberate force of hegemony. f
baltazar bell	Tamuning, Guam	2013-10-22	I am concerned about my culture.
Daylon Cottingham	Tianjin, China	2013-10-22	An injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. Not to mention the fact that the destruction of indigenous cultures will be the destruction of the preservation of the human race.
Anthony J.P. Ada	ILIG, Yona, Guam	2013-10-22	This amendment is defective in that it allows for a designee. And it doesn't apply the litmus test of being ACTIVE in the promotion of our culture through the arts. You allow for a designee and you will get a long roll of red tape to get any support. They will only attend to show face and make lame excuses like "I need to check with my boss" or "I have to bring it before my group". They don't need to be part of the planning to support the main reason for this event. This event will mean nothing to them unless it will bring a faster warship of a overflowing cash register.
Anthony J.P. Ada	ILIG, Yona, Guam	2013-10-22	Are they ACTIVE in the promotion of the Arts on Guam? The bill is defective because it allows for a designee. Of course, the designee will be sent because the heads would be too busy for something as trivial as culture. Unless it means getting a faster ship or larger cash register.
Nick Deane	Sydney, Australia	2013-10-23	Keep the military at bay!
Bob Bordallo	New York, NY	2013-10-23	As often as "art" is experimental and seemingly distasteful and blasphemous to some observers, "art" usually points to issues that involve the human condition. Oftentimes, "art" exposes the brokenness of the political status quo, which in our world increasingly involves militarization. How free is the artist to comment on the military state when s/he is being monitored by that military state?
Vanessa Warheit	san francisco, CA	2013-10-23	The US military has nothing to do with Pacific art & culture and should have no authority over this important, peaceful gathering.

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Donna Hutchinson	Seattle, WA	2013-10-23	The indigenous people have a right to a peaceful festival without the interference of the military.
Denis Doherty	Surry Hills, Australia	2013-10-23	We need a demilitarise pacific not a pivot!
Joe Babauta	Hagat, Guam	2013-10-23	When was " CULTURE " added in any oath?
Paul O'toko	Weno, Chuuk FSM, Micronesia, Federated States of	2013-10-23	We dont have any enemies that need killing nor defending our selves from. We had histories of destructions by Foreign Bullies & Intruders who came and did their childish problem solving, in our homes, feeding grounds n boundaries, by killing and destroying our people and habitats, indiscriminately. We are still poisoned and made poor by the past wars USA had in our boundaries...and the Atomic Bombs USA Detonate in our habitats...which USA is not willing to take responsibility for, even today. We are looked down upon coming to USA claimed territories, after being destroyed and poisoned by USA Military Strategic Activities in our Moana Nui...Micronesian, in particular. .
Noelani Goodyear-Kaopua	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-24	The Festival of Pacific Arts should be a safe space for artists of Oceania to come together and share. Given the violence that militarization and tourism have often caused in our islands, the inclusion of military leadership in particular does not foster a sense of free and safe expression for artists. What the heck does the military have to do with arts anyway?
Mary Baker	Waimanalo, HI	2013-10-24	The Pacific Festival of the Arts is about peace and sharing not military and commerce.
Dawn Perez	Yona, Guam	2013-10-26	The Festival of Pacific Arts is a celebration of our native cultures....we are here to gather as pacific brothers and sisters, not enemies....there is no threat, just a gathering of our cultural families....the military does not need to be present. We don't need to be dictated to when we're simply celebrating who we are as Pacific Islanders.
Kathy Ferguson	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-26	Despite years of pretending to the contrary, the military is not "just another neighbor" - it is the representative and the instrument of dispossession. I do not think that the Festival's purpose is to either legitimate or celebrate dispossession.
Manuel Deguzman	Barrigada, Guam, Guam	2013-10-27	FREE GUAHAN and Free FestPac 2016
Abraham Eldads	Vanuatu, Vanuatu	2013-10-31	I believe introduction of other cultures to this invaluable event can negatively affect our cultures over the coming years.
David Palaita	San Francisco, CA	2013-11-01	KEEP OCEAN IN OCEAN HANDS!
Andrew Grahaam	Sydney, Australia	2013-11-05	Militarism, particularly in its US interventionist form, threatens everyone's peace and prosperity in the Asia/Pacific.

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Jacob Perez	Tumon, Guam	2013-11-06	Indigenous Peoples and Cultures are what makes this world thrive with all their healing from (non-GMO) organic foods, water and medicines known to cure any and all illnesses. I stand for the everlasting growth of Indigenous Cultures/Peoples' knowledge, wisdom and healing which militarization of any kind destroys and controls/enslaves. We are the 'minority' but don't forget the 'minority' of all Indigenous Peoples is the "Majority" and "Majority Rules" again and again. I stand peacefully and assertively to keep my and all Indigenous Heritages alive and thriving without militarization or political propaganda. Decolonization and demilitarizaton of our '12th Festival of Pacific Arts' is and will always be possible as long as the descendants of these beautiful and 'powerful-beyond-belief' Indigenous Cultures/Peoples AND our Allies continue to breathe, eat, drink, teach, dance, sing, chant, share, heal, protect, respect and love ourselves, each other and the world for as long as we are alive in body but, most importantly, in spirit which will always be eternal. "We are jungle-generations reaching through the concrete. Every species that we save, saves our own from being extinct." JMP (for "MINA")
Brian San Nicolas	lakewood, WA	2013-12-11	Equality
David Topasna	Mangilao, Guam	2014-01-07	Preservation
Luis Mesngon Jr	Toto, Guam	2014-01-07	I believe it will be disrespectful to my culture, ancestors, families, friends, even further generations to come. There's so of the past glued to this site that it shouldn't be removed or changed.
Teresia Teaiwa	Wellington, New Zealand	2014-01-08	Hafa adai! I have signed this petition because I believe the U.S. military has no constructive role to play in organizing the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts to be held in Guam in 2016 since it has been a negative force in the continuation and revitalization of indigenous Chamorro cultural and economic practices in Guam as a result of its occupation of 1/3 of the island and its recent attempts to expand its territory, proposing to destroy vital terrestrial and marine sites of ecological and cultural significance in the process. Any organization that prioritizes military expansion over the long-term health and well-being of indigenous Chamorros has no business organizing the Festival of Pacific Arts either. As an academic who has studied the militarization of the Pacific Islands region, I encourage US military troops based on Guam and the Guam Chamber of Commerce to participate in the Festival as active learners. Pacific people have much to teach the world about sustainable living and the value of respect for both people and the environment in the age of climate change. Saina ma'ase.
Mokalagi Tamapeau	Wellington, New Zealand	2014-01-08	demiiiaitarize and decolonise the Pacific to restore guardianship to the indigenous.
Danny Butt	Auckland, New Zealand	2014-01-08	Despite the English-language saying, war is not an art worth the name.
susanne dr. kuehling	regina, Canada	2014-01-08	The military doesn't deserve being part of this festival.
Maria Rova	Nadi, Fiji	2014-01-09	The Festival needs to retain it's grassroots nature and remain free of agendas other than promoting the indigenous arts and cultures of the Pacific!
Maria Baza	Yona, Guam	2014-01-09	I am from Guam and Palau. I am against anyone who wishes to sacrifice our culture at the expense of the dollar. Who's with me?

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Robert Hunter	Staten Island, NY	2014-01-10	Why would you want to have the catalyst (the US military and its bases on Guam) responsible for the denial of the rights of the indigenous people of Guam, in particular the denial of a long overdue plebiscite to determine their political status and destiny, play any role at all in the planning of a festival celebrating and honoring Pacific people, and their heritage, culture, traditional knowledge, art and craft? Why would you want an entity that operates on Guam without the permission of the indigenous people of Guam, that use Guam soil and resources and propagates and enforces rules that deny Chamorros and other Guam residents access to resources, and that continues to move to take further resources, playing any role whatsoever in a festival whose purpose is to honor Pacific heritage, culture and art? Why on Earth would one want to denigrate themselves and the spirit of the Festival of Pacific Arts and Cultures (FESTPAC) like that? There are the larger Pacific issues as well, like the state of the people of the Marshalls who were taken advantage of to accommodate atomic testing and continue to get the sharp end of the federal shaft, and issues with the threat to marine life posed by military vessels, the use of islands for bomb practice and current moves to destroy further islands (like Pagan) with more bombing ranges, etc. I take this personally as I am an artist. I am also a Micronesian, an artist-delegate, a delegation organizer and delegation leader for previous FESTPACs, a former member of the Pacific Arts Council, a former president of what was the CNMI's largest visual arts guild Arts Inc., the Vice-Chair of the Consortium of Pacific Arts and Cultures, the former Executive Director of the Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, and as a former art teacher and Arts Program Coordinator for the CNMI Public School System. While I am not opposed to the Guam Chamber playing a role on the organizing committee, as local business surely has a role in facilitating the festival, I am wholly opposed to the participation of military representation on a coordinating committee of a Pacific cultural and arts festival. Of course we all want every segment of the community including military personnel and their families to be included and feel welcome, as is the Pacific way… you do that by sending them a schedule of the events and activities along with a kind invitation to attend.
Guillaume Colombani	French Polynesia	2014-01-10	Army has no place at all in a Festival dedicated to Arts !
Jenny Fraser	Brisbane, Australia	2014-01-13	doesnt have to be a culture war
Jeannette Hereniko	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-13	I am well aware of the uniqueness of the Festival of Pacific Arts to empower indigenous Pacific Islanders. Although I am not one, my world is enriched by knowing that they are free of military pressures in organizing the Festival. Pacific Islanders from Guam have made it clear that they do not want a military representative, and I feel strongly they should be listened to and prevail in this issue. Thank you for your attention to this important issue of representation and empowerment.
Yvonne Undehill-Sem	Auckland, New Zealand	2014-01-19	The tentacles of the military industrial complex cannot be left to wander into spaces which fundamentally work for high levels of humanity

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Recipient: Honorable Senators and Coordinating Committee Members - 12th Festival of Pacific Arts

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Jonathan Diaz	Barrigada, Guam	2013-10-21
Helen Onedera	Sinajana, , Guam	2013-10-21
Jessica Nangauta	Malesso,	2013-10-21
Raymond Tenorio	Barrigada, , Guam	2013-10-21
Pauline Onedera	Sinajana, Guam	2013-10-21
Charissa Aguon	Talofofo, Guam,	2013-10-21
desiree ventura	Yigo, , Guam	2013-10-21
Kisha Borja-Quichocho	Mangilao, Guam	2013-10-21
Joseph Certeza	Yona, , Guam	2013-10-21
Peter San Nicolas	tumon, Guam	2013-10-21
Maria Barcinas	Malesso, GU, United States	2013-10-21
Jesi Lujan Bennett	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-21
Lucas Storts	Barrigada, , Guam	2013-10-21
Kateri Rosanne Cruz	Barrigada,	2013-10-21
Lesley Huihui	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-21
Gwendolyn Taimanglo	barrigada, GU, United States	2013-10-21
Josh Dunn	Hagtana, Guam	2013-10-21
Adam Paul Diego	Barrigada, Guam	2013-10-21
Shane Root	Ordot, Guam	2013-10-21
nathalie pereda	barrigada guam,	2013-10-21
John Meta Sarmiento	Yigo,	2013-10-21
Anthony Santos	Sinajana,	2013-10-21
Stacie Ayala	Rushden, Eng, United Kingdom	2013-10-21
Lani Bordallo	Guam,	2013-10-21
Jimmy Camacho	Yigo, GU, United States	2013-10-21
Danielle Ceribo	Brighton, MA, United States	2013-10-21
Bernard Punzalan	Spanaway, WA, United States	2013-10-21
f. castro	chinahan-na,	2013-10-21
cecily bishop	Kent, WA, United States	2013-10-21

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dakota alcantara-camacho	Seattle, WA, United States	2013-10-21
cs perez	honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-21
Jeremy Cruz	Bethesda, MD, United States	2013-10-21
Dan Taulapapa McMullin	Los Angeles, CA, United States	2013-10-21
Christine Lipat	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-21
Chantal T. Spitz	Huahine, , French Polynesia	2013-10-21
Darlene Rodrigues	Mililani, HI, United States	2013-10-21
Monique Baza	Barrigada, , Guam	2013-10-21
Rita Cruz	Barrigada, CA, United States	2013-10-21
Mechelins Iechad	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-21
Teamio Tuarau	UTUROA, , French Polynesia	2013-10-21
Dave Lotz	Yigo,	2013-10-21
Victoria-Lola Leon Guerrero	Yona, , Guam	2013-10-21
marcia mendiola	Tamuning, Guam	2013-10-21
Robin Navarro	San Francisco, CA, United States	2013-10-21
yasukatsu matsushima	Japan	2013-10-21
Maria Cristobal	Tamuning, Guam	2013-10-21
noriko heller	blairstown, NJ, United States	2013-10-21
Leonard Leon	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-21
Lulu DeBoer	United States	2013-10-21
L C	Suva, Cen, Fiji	2013-10-21
Erwin Bordallo	Tamuning,	2013-10-21
Adrian Cruz	Hagåtña, , Guam	2013-10-21
Terilynn Francisco	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-21
Hope Cristobal	Tamuning, GU, MP, United States	2013-10-21
Robbie Thorpe	Crimes against the people, Australia	2013-10-21
Alexander San Nicolas	Santa Rita, GU, United States	2013-10-21
Selena Bonnett	San Jose, CA, United States	2013-10-21
Dr. Hope Cristobal	Tamuning, , Guam	2013-10-21
Ronald T. Laguana	Mangilao, , Guam	2013-10-21
Yuji Ankei	Japan	2013-10-21
gerard Champion	Hagatna,	2013-10-21

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Arlene Diaz	Hagåtña, , Guam	2013-10-21
Cathy SN Flores	Merizo, , Guam	2013-10-22
Ishikawa Kiyoe	高松, Japan	2013-10-22
Hannah Dr Middleton	Australia	2013-10-22
Ann Cunningham	Australia	2013-10-22
Father Claude Mostowik msc	Australia	2013-10-22
Patricia Taimanglo	Yigo, Guam	2013-10-22
Kyle Kajihiro	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-22
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Kozue Akibayashi	Japan	2013-10-22
Anjelica Okada	Santa Rita, , Guam	2013-10-22
Leiana Naholowa'a	Dededo, , Guam	2013-10-22
lisa baza	Yona, , Guam	2013-10-22
Joseph Borja	Barrigada, Guam,	2013-10-22
Kealii Pang	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-22
Lisa Natividad	Guam,	2013-10-22
Daniela Bazan	Yountville, CA, United States	2013-10-22
Gabriel Sablan	Asan, Guam	2013-10-22
Vani Catanasiga	Suva, Cen, Fiji	2013-10-22
Patricia Blair	Hawaii, AL, United States	2013-10-22
Kathleen Lujan Vestevich	Chula Vista, CA, United States	2013-10-22
Kie Susuico	Hagat, Guahan,	2013-10-22
Sus Shawhan	Waimanalo, HI, United States	2013-10-22
Catherine Lutz	Providence, RI, United States	2013-10-22
Erisa Cristobal	Hagatna, Guam	2013-10-22
Eva Cruz	Mangilao, , Guam	2013-10-22
Jacqueline Cruz	Dededo, GU, United States	2013-10-22
Filomena Tuivanualevu	Suva,	2013-10-22
bronwyn marks	Australia	2013-10-22
Darlene LeonGuerrero	Medical Lake, WA, United States	2013-10-22
nicole delisle duenas	Yigo, , Guam	2013-10-22
Vincent Camacho	Sedro Woolley, WA, United States	2013-10-22

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Matua Ånghet Salas	Sinajana, , Guam	2013-10-22
Reo Nagashima	Japan	2013-10-22
Martha Baum	Santa Cruz, CA, United States	2013-10-22
sinahi sinahi	Hafatna, Gu,	2013-10-22
Erin Grajek	Hagåtña, Guam	2013-10-22
paul brown	new zealand,	2013-10-22
Colleen Weller	Yigo, , Guam	2013-10-22
George Lujan	Tumon, Guam,	2013-10-22
Gill Burrows	Australia	2013-10-22
Raphael Unpingco	Sinajana,	2013-10-22
Lynyrd Puyat	Seattle, WA, United States	2013-10-22
Razan A.R.	vancouver, Canada	2013-10-22
Melvin Won Pat-Borja	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-22
Camarin Quitugua	Barrigada, GU, United States	2013-10-22
Amber Benavente-Sanchez	Ewa Beach, HI, United States	2013-10-22
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Anna Pha	Australia	2013-10-22
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Tine Lhoest	Ostend, Fla, Belgium	2013-10-22
Phillip Sablan	Yigo, Guam	2013-10-22
Jam Santos	mangilao,	2013-10-22
Jon Blas	Eugene, OR, United States	2013-10-22
Pyxie Castillo	San Francisco, CA, United States	2013-10-22
Asaeli Matelau	Salt Lake City, UT, United States	2013-10-22
Sasha Davis	Hilo, HI, United States	2013-10-22
Anthony J.P. Ada	ILIG, Yona,	2013-10-22
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Valerae Limtiaco	Chula Vista, CA, United States	2013-10-22

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Tano Lizama	Barrigada, , Guam	2013-10-22
Jesse Villagomez	Toto, Guam,	2013-10-22
Angela Carrier	San Francisco, CA, United States	2013-10-22
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Bob Bordallo	New York, NY, United States	2013-10-23
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Loren Cruz	Chula Vista, CA, United States	2013-10-23
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Salesi Kauvaka	Suva, Cen, Fiji	2013-10-23
Danny Blas	San Diego, CA, United States	2013-10-23
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Ursula Herrera	Tumon, Guam,	2013-10-23
Terence Aflague	Yona, , Guam	2013-10-23
Vanessa Warheit	Palo Alto, CA, United States	2013-10-23
Jeannette Griffin	San Diego, CA, United States	2013-10-23
Leilani Nelson	Yigo,	2013-10-23
Lyndsey Miller	Tamuning, Guam	2013-10-23
Donna Hutchinson	Seattle, WA, United States	2013-10-23
Ramon Diaz	Boulder, CO, United States	2013-10-23
Jess Schoultz	Australia	2013-10-23
Darice Thomas	Newark, CA, United States	2013-10-23
Andrea Nicole Grajek	Tamuning, , Guam	2013-10-23
Faith Duenas	APO, AE, United States	2013-10-23
Alfred Flores	Buena Park, CA, United States	2013-10-23
Daniel Robertson	Talofofo, , Guam	2013-10-23
Rachel Lizama	Yona, Guam	2013-10-23
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Peter Toves	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-23
Marina Aigamaua	Dededo, Guam	2013-10-23

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Audrey Hurtado	Livermore, CA, United States	2013-10-23
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Susan Justice	Hilo, HI, United States	2013-10-23
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Kerry Long	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-24
Jenelle Babauta	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-24
Iokepa Casumbal-Salazar	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-24
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Mary Baker	Waimanalo, HI, United States	2013-10-24
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Francine Naputi	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-24
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Therese Ridgell	Talofofo, Guam	2013-10-24
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Bettina Brown	Kailua, HI, United States	2013-10-25
Antonia Salas	Hagatna,	2013-10-25
Jonathan Perez	Santa Rita, Guam	2013-10-25
Maxine Bigler	Santa Rita, Guam	2013-10-25
Alea Rosario Dugan	Mangilao, Guam	2013-10-26
Rufae Inina Santos	Mongmong, , Guam	2013-10-26
Anthony Ray Mantanona	Inarajan, GU, United States	2013-10-26
Dawn Perez	Yona, , Guam	2013-10-26
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Kathy Ferguson	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-26
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Norita Charfauros	Hagatna, Guam	2013-10-27
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Manuel Deguzman	Barrigada, Guam,	2013-10-27
Ashley Hofschneider	Mangilao,	2013-10-27
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Joleen Aguon	Hagatna, Guam	2013-10-28
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Bernadette Matthews	Inarajan, Guam	2013-10-28
Jackie Ramirez	Lakewood, WA, United States	2013-10-28
Sarah Smith	Mangilao, , Guam	2013-10-28
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Kenneth Gofigan Kuper	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-28
Jaynina Smith-Prince	Spanaway, WA, United States	2013-10-30
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David Palaita	Richmond, CA, United States	2013-11-01
Andrew Graham	Australia	2013-11-05
Tressa Diaz	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-11-05
Jacob Perez	Tumon, , Guam	2013-11-06
david delacalzada	chula vista, CA, United States	2013-11-10
Jeanna Pangelinan	Chalan Pago Ordot, , Guam	2013-11-11
Ivanna Nuno	Chula Vista, CA, United States	2013-11-11
Jared Catahay	mangilao, , Guam	2013-11-11
RON AFLLEJE	Yigo, , Guam	2013-11-11
Sandy Stilwell	guam,	2013-11-13

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Nina Peck	Tamuning, Guam	2013-11-14
Gabriel Ramirez	San Luis Obispo, CA, United States	2013-11-14
Russell Powell	Tumon,	2013-11-15
Monaeka Flores	Hagatna, GU, United States	2013-11-29
Juliana Bridgman	Dayton, OH, United States	2013-11-29
Betty Rose	Seattle, WA, United States	2013-12-10
Brianna Barcinas	Merizo, Guam	2013-12-11
Brian San Nicolas	lakewood, WA, United States	2013-12-11
Chasmon Tarimel	Seattle, WA, United States	2013-12-11
Christina Illarmo	mangilao, GU, United States	2014-01-07
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Sina Brown-Davis	melbourne, Australia	2014-01-08
Jodi Devine	Port Vila, She, Vanuatu	2014-01-08
Seini Nabou	Suva, Cen, Fiji	2014-01-08
Ian Banner	Australia	2014-01-08
Maria Bargh	Wellington, New Zealand,	2014-01-08
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David Oradesky	San Francisco, CA, United States	2014-01-08
catherine menzies	Australia	2014-01-08
Shigeyuki Kihara	Auckland, NY, New Zealand	2014-01-08
Moana Haimona	Auckland,	2014-01-08
Lisiate Wolfgramm	Salt Lake City, UT, United States	2014-01-08
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Lea Cowley	Auckland,	2014-01-08
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susanne kuehling	Regina, Canada	2014-01-08
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Christine DeLisle	Champaign, IL, United States	2014-01-09
Stephanie Balagot	Tamuning, , Guam	2014-01-09
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derek glaskin	Kalaheo, HI, United States Minor Outlying Islands	2014-01-09
Therese Daga	San Antonio, TX, United States	2014-01-09
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mervin maharaj	suva,	2014-01-10
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Arnie Saiki	Honolulu, HI, United States	2014-01-17
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Yvonne Undehill-Sem	Auckland, , New Zealand	2014-01-19
Joana Ruas	Portugal	2014-01-22
Carlos Oliveira	Portugal	2014-01-22
Carlos Oliveira	Portugal	2014-01-22
Markus Hagenauer	Germany	2014-01-23
Suzanne Menzies-Culling	Dunedin, , New Zealand	2014-01-23
Barbara Menzies	Auckland,	2014-01-24
Janie Nolan	Dunedin, , New Zealand	2014-01-24
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October 17, 2013

Memorandum

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Fiscal Notes /Waivers**

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Hafa Adai!

Attached please find the waiver for the bill numbers listed below. Please note that the fiscal notes, or waivers, are issued on the bills as introduced.

FISCAL NOTES:
Bill No. 167-32(LS)
Bill No. 186-32(COR)
Bill No. 192-32(COR)
Bill No. 205-32(COR)

WAIVERS:
Bill No. 179-32(COR)
Bill No. 198-32(COR)

Please forward the same to MIS for posting on our website. Please contact our office should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Si Yu'os ma'åse'!

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Senator Rory J. Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules
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The 31st Guam Legislature
155 Hesler Place
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Hafa Adai Senator Respicio:

Transmitted herewith is Fiscal Note on the following Bill Nos.: **167-32(LS), 186-32(COR), 192-32(COR), 205-32(COR) and** Fiscal Note Waiver on the following Bill Nos.: **179-32(COR), and 138-32(COR).**

If you have any question(s), please do not hesitate to call the office at 475-9412/9106.

JOHN A. RIOS
Director

Enclosures
cc: Senator Vicente (ben) Pangelinan



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The Bureau requests that Bill No. 179-32 (COR) be granted a waiver pursuant to Public Law 12-229 as amended for the following reason(s):

The Bill is administrative in nature in that it proposes to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts' Coordinating Committee. The proposed legislation seeks to add four (4) additional designees to the aforementioned Committee to include one (1) additional member each from the Guam Legislature, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association and the Joint Region Marianas.

Based on the foregoing, there is no fiscal impact posed by the subject legislation.

JOHN A. RIOS

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September 6, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 179-32(COR)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

Attachment

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September 30, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members/All Senators

From: Chairman, Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

Re: First Notice of Public Hearing – Five Day Notice – October 7, 2013

Hafa Adai! Please be advised that the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday, October 7, 2013, beginning at 10:00AM in I Liheslatura's Public Hearing Room with the following agenda:

Bill No. 175-32 (COR) - M.F.Q. San Nicolas / F.B. Aguon, Jr. / B.J.F. Cruz / T.A. Morrison - An act to allow non-commissioned officers to have their service recognized for management positions of the government of Guam, by adding a new §4129 to Article 1, Chapter 4, Title 4, Guam Code Annotated.

Bill No. 179-32 (COR) - B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. - An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

Bill No. 180-32 (COR) - B.J.F. Cruz / T.C. Ada - An act to amend Section 30102(a) of Chapter 30, Title 5 Guam Code Annotated, to require agencies permitted to retain councel other than the Attorney General, to hire unclassified, in-house counsel.

Bill No. 189-32 (COR) - D.G. Rodriguez, Jr. - An act to facilitate the recruitment of hard-to-fill allied health professional positions, by amending §6229.14 of Chapter 6, 4 GCA, and subsection (a) of § 12805, Article 8, Chapter 12, Part 1, 10 GCA.

Bill No. 200-32 (COR) - R.J. Respicio, T.C. Ada, B J.F. Cruz - An act to amend Title 10 Guam Code Annotated §77135 Relative to Police Clearances, to be known as the "Police Clearance Clarity Act of 2013."

Please provide written testimonies at least one day prior to the hearing to the Office of Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F Cruz, 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña Guam 96910. They may be sent via facsimile to 477-2522, or via email to carlo.branch@senatorbjcruz.com.

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Senseramente,

Mike Lidia
Committee Director
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Second Notice of Public Hearing – Two Day Notice – October 7, 2013

Mike Lidia <mike.lidia@senatorbjcruz.com> Thu, Oct 3, 2013 at 8:22 AM
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October 3, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members/All Senators

From: Chairman, Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

Re: Second Notice of Public Hearing – Two Day Notice – October 7, 2013

Hafa Adai! Please be advised that the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday, October 7, 2013, beginning at 10:00AM in I Liheslatura's Public Hearing Room with the following agenda:

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Please provide written testimonies at least one day prior to the hearing to the Office of Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F Cruz, 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña Guam 96910. They may be sent via facsimile to 477-2522, or via email to carlo.branch@senatorbjcruz.com.

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Nasion CHamoru questions inclusion of JRM in FestPac committee

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SHARE

THE activist group Nasion CHamoru yesterday questioned the inclusion of the Commander of Joint Region Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce in the coordinating committee for the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts during a public hearing held yesterday.

The Legislature's committee on general government operations chaired by Vice Speaker Benjamin Cruz convened a public hearing on several bills including Bill 179, which expands the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts to be held in 2016.

Speaker Judith Won Pat and Sen. Tina Muña-Barnes co-sponsored the bill.

Cruz, who authored Bill 179, said the coordinating committee has recommended that the legislation setting the composition of the committee be amended to include the chairpersons of the Legislative Committee on Tourism, the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his/her designee, Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association, and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his/her designee.



The Festival of Pacific Arts is a traveling festival hosted every four years by a different country in Oceania and the Pacific, including Guam. Variety file photo

Kie Susuico, an indigenous artist who spoke on behalf of Nasion CHamoru, said Bill 179 "seems like an attempt to showcase a homogenized Guamanian culture rather than truly represent our indigenous Chamorro culture at the 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts."

"I believe that the involvement of Joint Regional Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce would present an image of a Chamorro nation that is forever dependent on the U.S. and its military forces rather than Chamorros as a strong Oceanic people," he said in his testimony.

Impact

Susuico said the devastating impact of the U.S. and the military on Chamorro culture and language can be seen throughout Guam's history, questioning, "How can we today, allow them to have a say on what Chamorro culture is?"

He said Guam can host the event without military involvement, citing Palau in 2004 and American Samoa in 2008 as examples.

"Why can't we imagine a more grassroots approach that will bring our community as a whole, including our high school and university students, local businesses, and non-government organizations to make FestPact 2016 a true success," he said.

Meanwhile, Selina Onedera-Salas also offered oral testimony, emphasizing that the Festival of Pacific Arts was intended for Pacific Islanders from Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia to come together to attempt to combat the erosion of traditional customary practices through the expression of culture and arts.

"The gathering was designed to provide an open and safe space to share and learn about the experiences of our island sisters and brothers as well as for us to learn more about ourselves as a Pacific community," she said.

Although she does not agree that hosting the festival should be viewed as a commercially driven opportunity or should be commercially advertised, she said she understands why the chairpersons of the Chambers of Commerce as well as the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association would be added to the coordinating committee.

"What I am most concerned with is the intent to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas. The inclusion of this position will demonstrate and perpetuate the idea that Guam is incapable of hosting the event of this magnitude without the assistance and employment of the military personnel in an official decision-making capacity," she said.

Support

Monica Okada Guzman, chairperson of the Guam Council of the Arts and Humanities, said the theme of the festival: "What We Own, What We Have, What We Share, United Voices of the Pacific," is very inclusive and speaks to the intent of Bill 179, which is to bring all sectors of the community together to plan and welcome Pacific island neighbors to Guam.

Expressing her support for the bill, she said in 2016 Guam will welcome up to 3,500 delegates from 27 island nations to participate in more than 40 different art forms and cultural events over a 14-day period.

"It will be the largest event Guam will host second only to the South Pacific Games which Guam hosted in 1975 and again in 1999," she said, stressing that the inclusion of the commander of Joint Region Marianas and other representatives will ensure all sectors of the community are engaged in the celebration of culture.

Theresa Cruz Arriola, FestPac 2016 chairwoman, also expressed support for the measure, saying the committee feels strongly that the current additions would enhance Guam's ability to put forth the best plan to host the delegates who will be coming over for the festival.

"It is my experience that with executing regional and international events with high protocol demands, success and the smooth implementation of Guam's hosting could not be possible without the involvement and cooperation of all sectors of our island. The measure would assist in accomplishing this goal," she said.

Guam is preparing to host the 12th festival, which has been held every four years since 1972. The festival brings together artists and cultural practitioners from around the Pacific region for two weeks of festivity.

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Memorandum

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Fiscal Notes /Waivers**

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Hafa Adai!

Attached please find the waiver for the bill numbers listed below. Please note that the fiscal notes, or waivers, are issued on the bills as introduced.

FISCAL NOTES:
Bill No. 167-32(LS)
Bill No. 186-32(COR)
Bill No. 192-32(COR)
Bill No. 205-32(COR)

WAIVERS:
Bill No. 179-32(COR)
Bill No. 198-32(COR)

Please forward the same to MIS for posting on our website. Please contact our office should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Si Yu'os ma'åse'!

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Hafa Adai Senator Respicio:

Transmitted herewith is Fiscal Note on the following Bill Nos.: **167-32(LS), 186-32(COR), 192-32(COR), 205-32(COR) and** Fiscal Note Waiver on the following Bill Nos.: **179-32(COR), and 138-32(COR).**

If you have any question(s), please do not hesitate to call the office at 475-9412/9106.

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Enclosures
cc: Senator Vicente (ben) Pangelinan

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The Bureau requests that Bill No. 179-32 (COR) be granted a waiver pursuant to Public Law 12-229 as amended for the following reason(s):

The Bill is administrative in nature in that it proposes to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts' Coordinating Committee. The proposed legislation seeks to add four (4) additional designees to the aforementioned Committee to include one (1) additional member each from the Guam Legislature, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association and the Joint Region Marianas.

Based on the foregoing, there is no fiscal impact posed by the subject legislation.

JOHN A. RIOS

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RE: Request for Fiscal Notes– Bill Nos. 177-32(COR) through 180-32(COR); 184-32(COR) through 186-32(COR); and 188-32(COR) through 193-32(COR)

Hafa Adai Mr. Rios:

Transmitted herewith is a listing of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan's* most recently introduced bills. Pursuant to 2 GCA §9103, I respectfully request the preparation of fiscal notes for the referenced bills.

Si Yu'os ma'åse' for your attention to this matter.

Very Truly Yours,

Rory J. Respicio

Senator Rory J. Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Attachments (1)

Cc: Clerk of the Legislature

Bill Nos.	Sponsor	Title
177-32 (COR)	Vicente (ben) C. Pangelinan, Michael F.Q. SanNicolas, Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., T. R. Muña Barnes, Frank B. Aguon, Jr., B.J.F. Cruz, R.J. Respicio	AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATIONSOF THE EXECUTIVE, LEGISLATIVE, AND JUDICIAL BRANCHES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014; MAKING OTHER APPROPRIATIONS; AND ESTABLISHING MISCELLANEOUS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.
178-32 (COR)	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Tina R. Muna Barnes D.G. Rodriguez, Jr., Rory J. Respicio, Michael F.Q. San Nicolas Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Tommy Morrison	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE REMAINING FUNDS ESCHEATED TO THE GENERAL FUND PRIOR TO END OF FISCAL YEAR 2013, PURSUANT TO §21116 OF CHAPTER 21, DIVISION 2, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZED TO USE AS A LOCAL REQUIREMENT FOR THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.
179-32 (COR)	B.J.F. Cruz T.R. Muña-Barnes J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D	AN ACT TO AMEND P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12THFESTIVALOF PACIFIC ARTSOF 2016.
180-32 (COR)	B.J.F. Cruz T. C. Ada	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 30102(a) OF CHAPTER 30, TITLE 5 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO REQUIRE AGENCIES PERMITTED TO RETAIN COUNSEL OTHER THAN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, TO HIRE UNCLASSIFIED, IN-HOUSE COUNSEL.
184-32 (COR)	Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D., V. Anthony Ada, Brant T. McCreadie, Tommy Morrison, Michael T. Limtiaco, Chris M.Dueñas	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS ($3,000,000) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 31-29.
185-32 (COR)	Michael T. Limtiaco, Brant T. McCreadie, V. Anthony Ada, Chris M.Dueñas, Tommy Morrison, Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.,	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF FOUR HUNDRED FORTY NINE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN DOLLARS ($449,119) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO PURCHASE VEHICLES FOR THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT.
186-32 (COR)	Tommy Morrison, Brant T. McCreadie, V. Anthony Ada, Chris M.Dueñas, Michael T. Limtiaco, Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.,	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS ($3,000,000) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE GUAM FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.

188-32 (COR)	T.R. MUÑA Barnes, B. J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 80.50 TO ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 80, TITLE 9 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED KNOWN AS THE JUSTICE SAFETY VALVE ACT OF 2013 RELATIVE TO EMPOWERING THE COURTS OF GUAM TO DEPART FROM APPLICABLE MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES UNDER SPECIFIC CONDITIONS, ANDFOROTHER PURPOSES.
189-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	AN ACT TO FACILITATE THE RECRUITMENT OF HARD-TO-FILL ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS, BY AMENDING §6229.14 OF CHAPTER 6, 4 GCA, AND SUBSECTION (a) OF § 12805, ARTICLE 8, CHAPTER 12, PART 1, 10 GCA.
190-32 (COR)	B J.F. Cruz, Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 28 TO DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE RESEARCH CORPORATION, UNIVERSITY OF GUAM (RCUOG).
191-32 (COR)	Frank B. Aguon, Jr.	AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW 31-235, RELATIVE TO THE WOMEN'S REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH INFORMATION ACT OF 2012.
192-32 (COR)	B J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 64.15, § 64.16, AND § 64.17 TO CHAPTER 64 OF TITLE 9 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; RELATIVE TO THE PROHIBITION AND FORFEITURE OF ELECTRONIC MACHINES OR DEVICES TO CONDUCT SWEEPSTAKES GAMBLING.
193-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW 31-235 TO DELETE THE PROVISION REQUIRING THE "PRINTED MATERIALS" AND THE "CHECKLIST CERTIFICATION" TO UNDERGO THE RULE MAKING PROCESS PURSUANT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION LAW.

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From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 179-32(COR)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan.*

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

Attachment

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2013 (First) Regular Session

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Bill No. 79-32 (COR)

Introduced by:

B. J.F. Cruz
T.R. Muña-Barnes
J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

AN ACT TO *AMEND* P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.

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LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

Voting Sheet

Speaker Antonio R. Unipingco Legislative Session Hall
February 1, 2014

Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
As substituted by the Committee on General Government Operations & Cultural Affairs

NAME	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent
Senator Thomas "Tom" C. ADA	✓				
Senator V. Anthony "Tony" ADA	✓				
Senator Frank Blas AGUON Jr.	✓				
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. CRUZ	✓				
Senator Christopher M. DUENAS	✓				
Senator Michael LIMTIACO	✓				
Senator Brant McCREADIE	✓				
Senator Thomas "Tommy" MORRISON	✓				
Senator Tina Rose MUÑA BARNES	✓				
Senator Vicente (ben) Cabrera PANGELINAN	✓				
Senator Rory J. RESPICIO	✓				
Senator Dennis G. RODRIGUEZ, Jr.	✓				
Senator Michael F. Q.SAN NICOLAS	✓				
Speaker Judith T. WON PAT, Ed.D.	✓				
Senator Aline A. YAMASHITA, Ph.D.	✓				
TOTAL	15				
	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

Clerk of the Legislature

I = Pass

SENATOR BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ, VICE SPEAKER
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January 22, 2014

The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat
Speaker
I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
32nd Guam Legislature
155 Hesler Place
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VIA: The Honorable Rory J Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

RE: Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted

Dear Speaker Won Pat:

Transmitted herewith is the Report of Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

Committee votes are as follows:

5 TO DO PASS
____ TO NOT PASS
2 TO REPORT OUT ONLY
____ TO ABSTAIN
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Sincerely,

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Chairperson

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COMMITTEE REPORT

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January 22, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: **All Members**

FROM: **Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz**
Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

SUBJECT: **Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted**

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – "An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016."

This report includes the following:

- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest
- Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
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- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Copies of Submitted Testimony & Supporting Documents
- COR Referral of Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
- Fiscal Note Requirement
- Notices of Public Hearing
- Public Hearing Agenda
- Related News Reports

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS	SIGNATURE	TO DO PASS	TO NOT PASS	TO REPORT OUT ONLY	TO ABSTAIN	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE
CRUZ, BENJAMIN J.F. Chairperson		✓				
MUÑA BARNES, TINA ROSE Vice-Chairperson						
WON PAT, JUDITH T. Speaker and Ex-Officio Member		✓				
ADA, THOMAS C. Member		✓				
PANGELINAN, C. VICENTE Member						
RESPICIO, RORY J. Member		1-22-14				
RODRIGUEZ, DENNIS G. JR. Member						
SAN NICOLAS, MICHAEL, F.Q. Member 1/22/14		✓		✓		
AGUON, Jr., FRANK B. Member 22JAN 14						
ADA, V. ANTHONY Member						
Morrison, Thomas Member				✓		
McCreadie, Brant Member						
YAMASHITA, ALINE Member						

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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

I. OVERVIEW

Bill No. 179-32 (COR) was introduced by B.J.F. Cruz, T.R. Muña Barnes, and J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. on **September 6, 2013**, and subsequently referred to the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs on **September 9, 2013**.

The **Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs** convened a public hearing on **Monday**, **October 7, 2013**, at **10:00AM** in the Public Hearing Room *of I Liheslatura.* Among the items on the agenda was Bill No. 179-32 (COR) – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

The public hearing for Bill No. 179-32 (COR) began at 10:27AM and ended at 11:17AM.

Public Notice Requirements

All legal requirements for public notices were met, with requests for publication sent to all media and all Senators on **September 30, 2013**, and **October 3, 2013**, via email. Copies of the hearing notices are appended to the report.

Senators Present

Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, *Chairperson*
Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., *Ex-Officio Member*
Senator Thomas C. Ada, *Member*
Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, *Member*
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr., *Member*
Senator Christopher M. Duenas, *Member*
Senator V. Anthony Ada, *Member*
Senator Michael Limtiaco, *Member*
Senator Thomas Morrison, *Member*
Senator Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D., *Member*

Oral Testimony

*Selina Onederas-Salas
*Joseph Artero-Cameron, *President, Department of Chamorro Affairs*
*Monica Okada Guzman, *Chairperson, Guam Council on the Arts & Humanities*
*Theresa C. Arriola, *Chairperson, 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee*
*Kie Susuico, *Board Member, Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru*

**Also provided written testimony.*

Additional Written Testimony

Andrea Nicole Grajek, *Artist/Illustrator*
Chamoru Nation (*provided by Mr. Susuico*)
Mayor June U. Blas and Vice Mayor Jessie P. Bautista, *Municipality of Barrigada*
Jonathan Guerrero
Cara Flores-Mays
Maria Cristobal

II. TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

Chairman Benjamin J.F Cruz announced Bill No. 179-32 (COR) then gave his comments as the sponsor of the bill:

> "As the community may know, Guam was awarded the honor of hosting the South Pacific Festival of the Arts (FestPac) in 2016—that's barely 30 months away. I know nobody likes to hear that number; it's scary. We're almost at the end of 2013. The Coordinating Committee bas been meeting and it was the Committee's recommendation that the legislation be amended to include the Chairperson of the Committee of Tourism of *I Lehislaturan Guahan* or its successor committee, the Chairperson of the Guam Commerce or his or her designee, the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or his or her designee, and the Commander of Joint Region Marianas (JRM) or his or her designee. So that bill is now up for hearing."

Chairman Cruz acknowledged individuals who signed up to testify and invited them to approach the panel.

Ms. Selina Onederas-Salas read her written testimony (*written testimony appended to this report*). She stated that she supports all inclusions in Bill No. 179-32 (COR) except for the addition of the Commander of JRM to the Coordinating Committee.

Mr. Joseph Artero-Cameron, President of the Department of Chamorro Affairs, began his testimony in Chamorro. Translated in summary, he expressed his support of the bill.

> "This measure is very important because it includes all people in this community. For more than two years I've watched this Committee work to get us where we are. My understanding is not the same as the woman who spoke before me. Our primary concern should be the entire community from wherever you may come. I would not like it if this Committee becomes political; the responsibility of this group is heavy. This is not an issue for politics; this is an issue for our community. The military is a part of the community and they can help us host delegates from 27 island nations. The discussion of excluding the military is distasteful. The intent of this measure is to bring more people in and that is very important. For example, I understand the limitations of the Executive branch but when we were getting ready to go to the Solomon Islands I was told at the airport that we could not bring some delegates because there was

no money. But we failed to understand how important transportation is and that's why we needed these people. More than 3,000 people will arrive on Guam. We went to the Solomon Islands to see how to transport and house FestPac delegates but those who were responsible for observing those aspects of the event were not able to attend the festival. Right now we have no plan as to how to bring in 6,500 pounds of starch and other food needed to feed the delegates. The event will require agencies to coordinate and share their resources. For example, without Public Works being fully involved the success of the whole event may be jeopardized. We need clearer lines of communication between stakeholders. At the last FestPac they had clear lines of communication and points of contact, and these are all things that can be implemented for the 2016 FestPac."

Speaking on behalf of the FestPac Taskforce Committee, **Mr. Artero-Cameron** continued his oral testimony, remarking that the Committee has been meeting for more than two years and its members "know what it takes to move forward." He said that the Committee has been receiving messages from the South Pacific Community that they "are doing great", which puts great pressure on Guam as a community. He stated that he does not concur with Ms. Onederas-Salas statement that this is "a political nightmare," and he welcomes the inclusion of the military in the Coordinating Committee. He supports all the inclusions proposed by Bill No. 179-32 (COR) but he wants to recommend four additional members: the Director of the Guam Department of Agriculture or his or her designee, the Director of the Department of Public Works or his or her designee, Guam's Point of Contact for the Secretariat of the Pacific Communities, and the General Manager of the Guam International Airport Authority or his or her designee.

Ms. Monica Okada Guzman, Chairperson of the Guam Council on the Arts & Humanities (CAHA), greeted the Committee members present and read her written testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR) (*written testimony appended to this report*). She recommends that the inclusion of the Executive Director of CAHA as a member of the Coordinating Committee, be changed to the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of CAHA. Currently, the Executive Director is also the President, who is already included in the Committee. She also recommended the addition of the First Lady as a voting member of the Committee as the Honorary Chairperson.

Chairman Cruz acknowledged that Ms. Guzman has been holding quarterly meetings and that she has been leading the Coordinating Committee. He thanked Ms. Guzman for her efforts.

Ms. Theresa C. Arriola, Chairperson of the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee, read her written testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR) (*written testimony appended to this report*). She stated that she looks forward to working with First Lady Calvo and the additional members proposed by the bill.

Mr. Kie Susuico, Board Member of *Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru* (Guardians of the Chamorro Culture), read his written testimony in opposition to Bill 179-32 (COR) regarding the inclusion of the Commander of JRM and the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce to the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee (*written testimony appended to this report*).

Chairman Cruz thanked Mr. Susuico and acknowledged that it was his motion during the Coordinating Committee meeting to expand the membership. He explained that FestPac is going to be a $13-million endeavor, adding that according to Ms. Arriola's initial estimate, they currently only have $5 million in cash. Chairman Cruz mentioned recent efforts to collect $2.5 million in unremitted Hotel Occupancy Taxes but FestPac might only be able to get $13 million. To provide an example of an expense related to hosting such a festival, he mentioned that a participant of the previous FestPac in the Solomon Islands reported that attendants were provided cellphones for the event. He questioned Mr. Susuico's opposition of the bill and his comprehension of the matter, asking him rhetorically how Guam will be able to raise money for the event without the help of the Guam Chamber of Commerce. Chairman Cruz admitted that his inclusion of the Commander of JRM was based on his experience during the 1999 South Pacific Games (SPG) as Chairperson of Protocol Committee. The SPG participants encountered visa problems and he anticipates similar challenges for the 2016 FestPac. He said that Hawaii, the host of the 2020 FestPac, is now looking at how Guam will handle the immigration issue. He remarked that the military has proven to be very valuable members of the Guam community, actively participating in foster home programs, Special Olympics events, and public school cleanups.

Mr. Susuico responded, comparing the participation of the U.S. military in FestPac planning activities to "having slave owners plan Black History Month." He mentioned that American Samoa did not need military assistance to host their FestPac event.

Chairman Cruz replied that he understands Mr. Susuico's opposition from the perspective of an indigenous member of the community. He reiterated that FestPac is a large and costly endeavor and while previous hosts were able to receive financial assistance from other countries, Guam, as a U.S. territory, is not able to avail of financial help from foreign states. He said that the Guam will have to shoulder all the costs of hosting the event, and the Coordinating Committee needs the Chamber's help to figure out how to raise the necessary funds. He added that the assistance that Guam will receive to host FestPac depends on the volunteer efforts of the entire Guam community.

Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. remarked that hosting FestPac is larger than individual issues and that the cost required is overwhelming. She said that the expansion of membership of the Coordinating Committee is necessary but she suggested a compromise of adding designations for voting, non-voting members, and ex-officio members. She said that inclusion of more members could make decision-making unruly without the membership designations. She acknowledges that culture

has eroded in Guam. She stated the importance of placing artist practitioners at the center and that all others should help in realizing the success of this event.

Senator Christopher M. Duenas suggested the addition of the Adjutant General of the National Guard, in lieu of the Commander of JRM, to the Coordinating Committee as a voting member. He stated that General has direct contact to the resources of the National Guard. He said that the Chairman's anxiety is warranted because FestPac will need all the help it can get. He concluded his statement in Chamorro, saying he's Chamorro and he respects the men and woman at war right now who are serving to protect Guam.

Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas stated that he never perceived inclusion to be antithetical to Chamorro identity or strength. He noted that many Chamorro values are not indigenous to Guam but they have become a part of Chamorro culture. He stated that including more stakeholders into the planning of FestPac would display the strength of the Chamorro culture and that the mentality of inclusion is the right direction for the next generation of Chamorros. He added that Chamorros have embraced many concepts of the colonizers, including capital markets, business, finance, and industry. He credits the specialness of the Chamorro people to their resilience and adaptation. He said he supports the views of the Chairman Cruz and he is not intimidated by the inclusion of the Commander of JRM; rather collaboration with the military would show the continued strength and confidence of the Chamorro people. He recommended that other groups, such as the Women's Chamber, should also be included.

Senator Michael Limtiaco highlighted Mr. Cameron's recommendation, specifically the Director of Department of Agriculture and the Director of the Department of Public Works, and how those additions to the Coordinating Committee would be beneficial to the FestPac event.

Chairman Cruz, on the account that there was no one else present to provide oral testimony, adjourned the public hearing for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on testimony provided at the measure's public hearing, Substitute Bill 179-32 (COR) reflects a single amendment: the addition of the Guam Legislature's Chairperson on Tourism as a member of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

The Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs to which was referred "Bill No. 179-32 (COR) – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016" hereby submits these findings to *I Mina' Trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan* and reports out Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted, with a recommendation TO PASS.

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Bill No. 79-30 (COR)

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NAME	AGENCY OR ORGANIZATION (IF ANY)	SUPPORT? OPPOSE?	WRITTEN TESTIMONY	ORAL TESTIMONY	CONTACT NUMBER	EMAIL ADDRESS
Selma Onedera-Salas	Self	Support/oppose	✓	✓	477-7415	
JOSEPH A. CAMACHO	GHS	Support	✓	✓	777-5900	
Monica Guzman	CHHA	Support		✓	646-3448	
Mdresa Arriola	2016 FestPac	support	✓			

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KIE SUSUICO			✓			

Oga'an minagof giya hamyo. My name is Selina Onedera-Salas, and I am here to submit testimony on Bill 179-32.

According to the website for the South Pacific Community, the Festival of Pacific Arts was intended for Pacific Islanders from Melanesia, Micronesia, and Polynesia to come together to "attempt to combat the erosion of traditional customary practices" through the expression of cultural art. This quadrennial gathering was designed to provide an open and safe space for us to share and learn about the experiences of our island sisters and brothers and for us to learn more about ourselves as a Pacific community. It is through this exchange of cultural artistic expression that our people are able to gain a broader and deeper appreciation of what it is that we seek to preserve, no matter what discipline of art we practice in.

Although I do not agree that hosting the festival should be viewed as a commercial opportunity or should be commercially-driven, I understand why we may feel compelled to call on the Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce and the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association. I fully support the inclusion of the Chairperson of the Legislative Committee on Tourism. What I am most concerned with, however, is the intent to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas.

The inclusion of this position will effectively demonstrate and perpetuate the idea that Guam is incapable of hosting an event of this magnitude without the assistance and employment of the military community in an official, decision-making capacity.

I have been told that the purpose of adding the Commander as a member of the Coordinating Committee is to ensure **inclusivity** in planning and hosting this festival as well as for the JRM's support with logistics. I believe that if we wish to convey a message of being inclusive, we can invite our friends from the military community to volunteer to assist us, in the very same manner and fashion that every other civilian volunteer will.

Perhaps the government of Guam may enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the JRM and its Commander to provide the support that is solicited. This gesture would be welcomed, but as a private citizen and one who is interested in participating as a delegate, I do not agree that the Commander should have a decision-making role in the coordination of the festival.

I'd like to add that inclusivity goes both ways—if we are to be inclusive of the military community, I'm curious to know whether or not we may freely avail ourselves of facilities that are located on military installations around the island during the festival.

In the meantime, I'd like to refresh the idea of recruiting volunteers from among our high school, college, and university students; various clubs and organizations around the island; and all other law-abiding citizens who pose no threat to the public. Just like our service members, these individuals deserve a chance to participate in providing logistical support so they may learn about the importance of this gathering.

FestPac 2016 is one of very few opportunities for us to be able to tell our stories as the indigenous people of Guam. This is our chance to come together as CHamorus to be able to share our culture through the creativity of our people.

If we really pay attention to why this festival was conceived of in 1972, my statements today should spark more discussions of how Subsection (l) defeats what the great minds of the SPC were considering.

Lastly, I would like to recommend to replace Subsection (l) with the Executive Director or Administrator of the Serve Guam! Commission so that she or he may be tasked with recruiting volunteers from around the island.

I hope that we can maintain the integrity of the festival in solidarity.

Saina ma'åse'

12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS
GUAM 2016
"What we own, what we have,
what we share – United Voice of the Pacific"

October 3, 2013

The Honorable Benjamin J. F. Cruz
Chairman
Committee on General Government Operations & Cultural Affairs
I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guahan
32nd Guam Legislature
155 Hesler St.
Hagatna, Guam 96910

SUBJECT: Bill No. 179-32 (COR), an act to amend P. L. 30-83 Relative to the Coordinating Committee of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts of 2016.

Buenas & Hafa Adai Chairman Cruz and distinguished members of the Committee on General Government Operations & Cultural Affairs. Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in support of Bill 179 with regards to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

Before proceeding, please allow me on behalf of the Coordinating Committee to take this time to extend our deepest appreciation to the members of the 32nd Guam Legislature for voting on SBill 1 (4-S) now P. L. 32-68, commonly referred to as the FY '14 Budget Act. The appropriation in the Budget Act to the Guam Festpac Trust account in the amount of $200,000 and a potential collection of an estimated $2 Million of all delinquent Hotel Occupancy Tax revenue due to the Government will definitely assist the Festpac Committee in achieving its $13 Million Operating Budget, of which $5 Million cash support is being requested from the Government of Guam.

Currently, the eleven members of the Festpac Committee as outlined in PL 30-83 have been meeting regularly since April 2011 and I can proudly report that plans for 12th Festival on Guam in 2016 are progressing well. At the Committee's regular meeting held on July 24, it was discussed and passed unanimously that the addition of the Chairperson of the Committee on Tourism of I Liheslaturan Guahan or its successor; the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or designee; the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or designee; and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or designee be added to the Committee composition. The current Committee feels strongly that the additions will only enhance our ability to put forth the best plan to host 27 Island Nations from the Pacific which will bring to our shores an estimated 3,500 delegates. The talent and resources of these proposed members will be most welcome.

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Continuing in this spirit, we recently met with First Lady Christine Calvo who graciously accepted the Committee's request to be Honorary Chairperson for the 2016 Festival. We are pleased and look forward to working with First Lady Calvo and the additional members outlined in this bill.

In closing, it is my experience when executing regional and international events with high protocol demands, success and smooth implementation of Guam's hosting could not be possible without the involvement and cooperation of all sectors of our island. Bill 179 will assist in accomplishing this goal. We ask that the 32nd Guam Legislature support Bill 179 and immediately seek passage at the next regularly scheduled Legislative Session.

Thank you for your time. Please feel free to contact me directly at 482-9231 or by email if you or any member of your Committee require more information.

Un Dankalu Na Saina Ma'ase,

THERESA C. ARRIOLA
Chairperson

Cc: Members, 2016 Festpac Coordinating Committee

Testimony In Support of Bill 179-32

Submitted by Monica Guzman, Chair, Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities (CAHA)

Hafa Adai and Good Morning!

Håfa Iyo-ta, Håfa Guinahå-ta, Håfa Ta Påtte, Dinanña' Sunidon Bos Siha Gi Iya Pasifiku
What We Own, What We Have, What We Share, United Voices of the Pacific

This is the theme of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts in Guam. It is very inclusive and speaks to the intent of Bill 179-32; bringing all sectors of the community together to plan and welcome our Pacific Island neighbors to Guam. I am in support of Bill 179-32, which expands the membership of the Coordinating Committee. In 2016, Guam will welcome up to 3500 delegates for the Festival of Pacific Arts from 27 island nations to participate in over 40 different art forms and cultural events over a 14 day period. It will be one of the largest events that Guam will host, second only to the South Pacific Games which Guam hosted in 1975 and again in 1999.

Annually, GVB is tasked with coordinating the Guam Micronesia Island Fair, which includes 20 delegates from 9 island nations for a 3-day event. This effort requires coordination among the government departments and agencies, cooperation and support from the business community and collaboration with our cultural practitioners, entrepreneurs and non-profit organizations. This same effort, multiplied 10x is required for the Festival in 2016.

The inclusion of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Chairperson of the Legislative Committee on Tourism and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas ensures that ALL sectors of our community are engaged in this celebration of culture.

I would like to request that as with the Guam Visitors Bureau, the language in Bill 179-32, Item B, be changed to read:

(b) the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities or his designee;

Currently the bill identifies the Executive Director of CAHA as a member of the Coordinating Committee. Since the reorganization of the Department of Chamorro Affairs (DCA), the Executive Director is the President of DCA, who is already a member of the Committee.

For the past 2 years, as Chair of CAHA, I have been attending the Committee meetings. CAHA has been leading the efforts in gathering our cultural practitioners and artists together in meetings since November 2012, to determine the programming that will be offered during the Festival. The 5 subcommittees formed include the Visual Arts, Literary Arts, Performing Arts, Traditional Arts and Seminars, Workshops and Forums. CAHA is also the lead agency that sits on the Council of Pacific Arts and Culture that oversees the Festival of Pacific Arts. Additionally, we have regular dialogue with the Council, giving them updates on the planning efforts in Guam. For your information, they are very pleased with our progress and look forward to receiving more information as it becomes available.

Additionally, I would like to suggest that in this legislation, the First Lady be included as a voting member of the Coordinating Committee as the Honorary Chair.

Since 1972, Guam has participated in all previous Festivals and many island nations have hosted, housed and welcomed our delegates. It is now our opportunity to welcome our Pacific Island brothers and sisters to our island home. Let us do it in true Chamorro hospitality. Thank you very much and Si Yu'os Ma'ase!



Guam Festival of the Pacific Arts 2016
Programming Committee

Theme

What We Own, What We Have, What We Share,
United Voices of the Pacific

Håfa Iyo-ta, Håfa Guinahå-ta, Håfa Ta Påtte,
Dinanña' Sunidon Bos Siha Gi Iya Pasifiku

Hafa adai!

My name is Kie Susuico. I am an indigenous cultural artist here on Guåhan. I am here to submit my testimony in opposition to Bill 179-32, regarding the inclusion of the Commander of Joint Region Marianas or his designee and the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his designee to the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee.

Bill 179-32 seems like an attempt to showcase a homogenized Guamanian culture rather than truly represent our indigenous Chamoru culture at the 2016 FestPac to be held here on Guåhan. I believe the involvement of the Joint Region Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce will present an image of a Chamoru Nation that is forever dependent on the US and its military forces, rather than Chamorus as a strong Oceanic people.

Throughout Guåhan's history, we can see and feel the devastating impact the US and its military has had on our culture and language. For example, in 1918, the US prohibited Chamoru language and culture in public institutions and government offices. So how can we today allow them to have a say in what Chamorro culture is? I cannot imagine why they would be a part of our cultural celebration.

To me, FestPac is a celebration and sharing of indigenous cultures. As cultural producers and artists of Guåhan, we give our people the ability to imagine our history and identity as the foundation for moving us toward Chamoru self-determination.

I believe that Guåhan can host this cultural event without military involvement, just as Palau did in 2004 and American Samoa in 2008. If they were able to host 27 countries with the humble resources they had, why can't we? Why can't we imagine a more grassroots approach that brings together our community as a whole, including our high school and university students, local businesses and non-governmental organizations to make FestPac 2016 a TRUE success?

Saina ma'åse',



Kie Susuico
Board member, Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru (Guardians of the Chamoru culture)

From: drea Nicole <drea_nicole@yahoo.com>
Date: October 7, 2013, 8:38:02 AM GMT+10:00
To: Senator Cruz <senadotbjcruz@gmail.com>
Subject: Bill 179-32
Reply-To: drea Nicole <drea_nicole@yahoo.com>

October 7, 2013

Hafa adai,

I am writing to you today to submit testimony for Bill 179-32.

While I do support the other choices for Committee Members, I do not understand why the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas would be added. I feel like our hosting this festival for our brothers and sisters of the Pacific is a great honor and is a way to showcase our Chamorro spirit, culture, and artistry. By having the JRM in a decision making position, it will give the impression, to our guests and our own people, that we can't even do this without the military. Are we not getting tired of that? So much of our lives, as indigenous and locals, is affected by military decisions and this festival does not have to be another one of those times.

I understand wanting to be inclusive. So invite the men and women serving in the military to join us as volunteers, participants, not as soldiers, but as individuals living on Guam, as community members. I think that would be a warmer and more natural way to include them.

Please reconsider.

Thank you for your time and work,

Andrea Nicole Grajek
Artist / Illustrator

Chairperson, The Festival of Pacific Arts
Human Development Programme – SPC Headquarters
c/o Ms. Linda Peterson, HDP Manager
Secretariat of the Pacific Community
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October 6, 2013

Hafa adai Honorable Chairperson of The Festival of Pacific Arts,

We are writing to ask for a letter of support from the Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Human Development Programme – Festival of Pacific Arts (FestPac) Committee to ensure that as host of the 2016 FestPac, Guam upholds the intent of FestPac, to "combat the erosion of traditional customary practices" (1972 SPC Governing Conference).

Chamoru Nation, part of a collective of non-profit organizations and NGO's committed to perpetuating and protecting the rights and culture of indigenous Chamorus, humbly requests your Committee shed some light on the politics, history and struggle of the cultural effort of FestPac.

Recently, Bill 179-32 (see attached) was introduced in the 32nd Guam Legislature. This bill proposes to add four additional members to the 2016 Guam FestPac Coordinating Committee. We are deeply concerned that two of the proposed additional members—primarily, the US Commander of the Joint Region Marianas, and secondly, a representative of the Guam Chamber of Commerce—have been and continue to be proponents to increase US military presence in Guam.

As you may know, Guam continues to be a colony of the United States, making it a non-self governing territory under the auspices of the United Nations awaiting decolonization through the act of self-determination. The influence of the US military on our island is so pervasive such that it has become a natural tendency for our "political officials of Guam" to involve the US military in numerous government functions. Bill 179-32 is an example of this.

We are submitting this appeal to SPC FestPac in hopes that you support our opposition to the inclusion of colonial representatives who will be a part of determining what is indigenous Chamoru culture. We would greatly appreciate your support, and ask that you submit your letter of support no later than Monday, October 21, 2013, addressed to Office of Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F Cruz, 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña Guam 96910. It may also be sent via facsimile to (671) 477-2522, or via email to carlo.branch@senatorbjcruz.com.

Dangkolo na Saina ma'åse' (Thank you).

Sincerely,
Chamoru Nation (NGO) et al.
c/o Kie Susuico (kie.as.in.key@gmail.com)

cc: The Honorable Vice Speaker Benjamin J. Cruz, 32nd Guam Legislature

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JESSIE P. BAUTISTA
VICE MAYOR

September 25, 2013

Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Chairperson, Committee on General Government
Operations and Cultural Affairs
I Mina'Trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Hagåtña, Guåhan 96910

Re: Bill No. 179-32 (COR), An act to *amend* P.L. 30-83 relative to the Coordinating Committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

Dear *Senadot* Cruz:

Buenas yan Hafa Adai ginen taotao Barrigada! Vice Mayor Jessie P. Bautista and I, together with members of the Barrigada Municipal Planning Council, hereby submit testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR). FestPac is the largest cultural event in the Pacific held every four years rotating host countries and territories from Polynesia, Melanesia and Micronesia. As we all know, hosting the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts is a major undertaking for Guam that requires communitywide support and participation.

We will encourage all our residents to attend and participate during the activities so they can be accustomed and open minded to the Chamorro language and culture, and be knowledgeable of its history and evolution. *Hami giya Barrigada, bi en eppok todu I taotao mame ya u fanpattesipa gi todu I aktededat siha kosaki u fanyinama I tiningo'-ñiha mas put I haga'-ta yan tumaimanu hit na taotaogues.*

Therefore, passage and enactment of Bill 179-32 (COR) only serves to ensure and bring Guam's plan to host the festival to fruition. More importantly, our visitors and guests will have the opportunity to view Chamorro Arts and Culture at its finest as it is expressed trough song, dance chant, storytelling, and through the skills of our traditional and visual arts. We are confident that through your leadership all participating countries and territories in the Pacific will showcase their cultures for over visitors.

Sinseramente,

JUNE U. BLAS
Mayor

JESSIE P. BAUITISTA
Vice Mayor

cc: Senator Tina R. Muña Barnes
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Subject: Testimony on Bill 179-32
Reply-To: jong671@yahoo.com

Goodmorning Senators,

My name is Jonathan Guerrero and I am here to submit testimony on Bill 179-32.

Last year a friend of mine shared her experiences with me when she attended the 2012 Festival of Pacific Arts. I must say I was envious of her as I listened to her stories. With passion she described the many people she connected with and the amount of learning and growth she felt after. My envy didn't last long because I found out that Guam would be hosting the Festival here in 2016. I was happy I would have the chance to experience what she experienced. I was also filled with pride. I believe Guam has many valuable things to share with our brothers and sisters throughout the pacific.

I look forward to participating in the Festival and also volunteering. I am disappointed however about **a section in Bill 179-32 which proposes to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas** to the coordinating committee of the Festival. I do not see the logic for having a U.S. Military Commander help coordinate a Festival that was created by Pacific communities to re-claim a sense of "self" separate from military and political interventions.

From: Cara Flores-Mays <flores.cara@gmail.com>
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Subject: testimony on Bill 179-32

Hafa Adai Senators,

A short portion of Bill 179-32 proposes to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas to the Coordinating Committee of the Festival. This seems a minor detail in the grand scheme of planning but I do hope that you'll reconsider for the following reasons.

1. It is locally divisive and completely unnecessary.
2. It is controversial, not just here in Guam, but across the Pacific. Many islanders have suffered and continue to suffer from military activities - the nuclear testing in the Marshalls, contamination of land, taking of land, etc. Whether one is compassionate towards those experiences or not, we have invited and will be hosting people who continue to suffer. It is insensitive and unnecessary.
3. FESTPAC was created ***as a means to stem erosion of traditional cultural practices.*** Even if you want to argue that the military administration has not voluntarily/involuntarily contributed to the erosion of our cultural practices, it does not make sense to include an entity whose goals are completely disaligned with the intentions of FESTPAC.
4. It is disempowering to our cultural community. I believe in the abilities of our people to present and preserve our culture to the rest of the Pacific.
5. If Guam really can't host FESTPAC without the help of the military administration, then, perhaps, we shouldn't host FESTPAC at all!
6. It prevents our service men and women from truly connecting to the culture of FESTPAC. If its in any way related to their job to be there, then it isn't a volunteer experience. Our service men and women should be allowed to volunteer for something related to culture and community without it having any connection to their job.
7. It perpetuates the hegemony that as a community, we aren't smart enough or able enough to do it on our own. We need someone from the Continental United States to show us how because they can always do it better.
8. FESTPAC is inclusive. Everyone is invited to attend. But the indigenous communities represented at FESTPAC are responsible for protecting and guarding our culture and traditions. The committee should be composed of members who are highly familiar with our culture and traditions and are clearly committed to those things, above all else.
9. We can be inclusive without giving away committee seats. Is the military community more important than the filipino community? than the LGBT community? than the korean and palauan and yapese and japanese communities? If we are giving away committee seats to be inclusive than we must be very careful to be inclusive of EVERYONE.

Thank you for your consideration.

Cara

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Tessa Weidenbacher <tessa@senatorbjcruz.com>

Fwd: Regarding Bill 179-32

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Subject: Regarding Bill 179-32

Hafa Adai Senators,
I am submitting testimony against the inclusion of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his Designee in the Festival of Pacific Arts 2014. It is disheartening to have such military presence involved in what should be a venue that promotes cultural revival and decolonization of mind and heart. It is contradictory to me to host a peaceful celebration of Pacific nations, peoples and their independant cultures and then to invite the very country that perpetrates injustice on our Chamoru people (because of their military strategy in some future or current war) – the country that heads our colonization. Why would they need to be involved? To squelch our exuberance in the freedom of expressing ourselves culturally? To protect us from the countries that will come to participate? It sends the wrong message completely. This is not an event for subjugation or war or war-like thinking or war-like logistics. This is a peaceful event to foster our relationship with our Pacific brothers and sisters and to showcase the resilience of our culture (resilient despite hundreds of years of colonization, currently under the U.S.). Please consider the message that is being sent with the participation of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his Designee in FESTPAC 2014. Let our people be proud of what they can accomplish without a "military escort".

Si Yu'os Ma'ase,

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To: Honorable Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Chairman
Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs
32nd Guam Legislature

From: President
Department of Chamorro Affairs

Date: October 7, 2013
Subject: **Testimony on Bill No. 179-32 (COR)**

Håfa Adai Mr. Chairman and Members to the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs.

I am here today in full support of **Bill No. 179-32 (COR), AN ACT TO AMEND P.L. 30-38 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF THE PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.**

The full membership of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee has been meeting for a little over two (2) years now. Mr. Chairman, you and the rest of our current membership have continued to fully participate in these developmental meetings; and, your oversight committee has made specific recommendations for additional stakeholder participation to our existing makeup of Committee membership.

The proposed addition of four (4) organizations is very much reflective of the need to further collaborate with our communities and organizations, thus ensuring the inclusion of partnerships. The eventual success of Guam's sponsoring the 2016 Festival of the Pacific Arts is best postured with the right mix of Individials and organizations within our Coordinating Committee.

I would like to further propose by way of recommendation four (4) additional members: *(m) the Director of the Guam Department of Agriculture or his/her designee; (n) the Director of the Department of Public Works or his/her designee; (o); Guam's Point of Contact for the Secretariat of the Pacific Communities and (p) the General Manager of the Antonio Borja Wonpat Guam International Airport Authority or his/her designee.*

These additional members recommended, although are clearly from the Executive Branch, nonetheless are major stakeholders to the 2016 Festival of the Pacific Arts, and must be engaged formally in our committee. The tantamount responsibilities of providing produce and food items for our thousands of guests, the capital improvement projects that may be involved in creating venues, the communiqué and essential protocol of the SPC, and the robust activities entailing transportation…will all require immediate attention and tasking within our Committee. Having these four additional members postures immediate attention and action as we continue to deliberate and plan for successes of Guam's FESTPAC 2016. I kindly urge your Committee to consider the inclusion of these four additional members, representing vital entities with the Government of Guam, to the Coordinating Committee.

JOSEPH ARTERO-CAMERON

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January 28, 2014

MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**

Subject: **Supplement to Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

Hafa Adai!

Transmitted herewith is a memo from Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Chairperson, Committee on General Governmental Operations and Cultural Affairs, forwarding Attachments for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Please include this memo and the attachment as a "Supplemental" to the Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Please make the appropriate indication in your records; and forward to MIS for posting on our website. I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan.*

Si Yu'os Ma'ase'!

cc: Legal Counsel
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January 28, 2014

Memorandum

To: Senator Respicio Committee on Rules, Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, Human & Natural Resources, and Election Reform

From: Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Chairman, Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

Subject: ***Supplemental Testimony for Bill No. 179-32 (COR)***

Hafa Adai! Please be advised that I have received supplemental testimony for Bill No. 179-32 (COR) attached herewith. It would be greatly appreciated if the documents were included as a supplement to the committee report for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Thank you for your time and kind consideration of this request.

Fanohge Guåhan

Recipient:

Letter: Greetings,

I say, "NO," to the addition of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas and the Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce (who lobbies for the hypermilitarization of Guam) as official, decision-making members of the Guam 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

Demilitarize and decolonize the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts.

Comments

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Jonathan Diaz	Tot Barrigada, GU	2013-10-21	Pot hafa Na reason? Maolekña at Decolonize fineness
Joseph Certeza	Agana, Guam	2013-10-21	It protects the the true nature of our indigenous culture on Guam.
Lucas Storts	Tamuning, GU	2013-10-21	The military has no business being involved in the planning nor execution of this event. Neither do the business interests of Tourism... If they have their say this event will be rampant with cheap chinese made goods that have no bearing or significance to any cultures represented.
Micky Huihui	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-21	Hasn't the US military done enough damage to the Spirit of Te Moana Nui?!!!
Lani Bordallo	Guam, Guam	2013-10-21	This event has nothing to do with the military and everything to do with "sharing" of cultural traditions of the indegenous peoples of Oceania... of which they know nothing about. "Taking" is the only thing they know.
cecily bishop	Kent, WA	2013-10-21	Keep the military and their assigns OUT of local celebrations! They've done more harm than good and are not welcomed!
dakota camacho	Madison, WI	2013-10-21	The Festival of the Pacific Arts is a response to the Military's destruction of our cultures, languages, and lands. If the military wants to participate in the festival planning, they can clean up the over a hundred toxic dumpsites on they have put on our Island, so we don't have to welcome our Oceanic family to a land of pollution.
Leonard Leon	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-21	Because I believe that a Cultural aevent, or any affair for that matter, is not a place for the u.s. military to hold a Voice. This is an Indigenous space to VOICE themselves through art and every decisions made should be by the cultures hosting the event, or participating in the events. Being american is not a cultural identity. This event is not about being an american, it's about the Pacific.
Erwin Bordallo	Tamuning, Guam	2013-10-21	So that the Arts can expand in a more open and free way.
Ronald T. Laguana	Mangilao, Guam	2013-10-21	INDIGENOUS RIGHTS IS STRAIGHT AND CLEAR. COLONIZERS ARE WHY WE FIGHT FOR POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE AND OUR CULTURAL FREEDOM!
Yuji Ankei	Yamaguchi-shi, Japan	2013-10-21	As an inhabitant of the Japonesia, we share the sea with these Peace-making peoples.
Hannah Middleton	Sydney, Australia	2013-10-22	Arts are life affirming; the military is death-dealing. Violence and war do not solve problems or help build a civilised and sustainable future. THERE MUST BE NO INTRUSION OF THE MILITARY INTO ARTISTIC ENDEAVOURS OF ANY KIND. Guahan is already an overmilitarised island with massive contamination, water and sewage disposal problems. It should not be further militarised.
Vani Catanasiga	Suva, Fiji	2013-10-22	Presence of military affects Pacific islanders ability to participate in a safe sapce
Patricia Blair	Hawaii, AL	2013-10-22	I support freedom for these Islands.
Kie Susuico	Guahan, Guam	2013-10-22	FestPac is a celebration of indigenous cultures in Oceania. Why would we let people who deny us our freedom have a say in who we are and what our culture is. Since 1895 the u.s. has been practicing cultural terrorism against CHamorus through radical dispossession. FREE GUAHAN and Free FestPac 2016.
Sus Shawhan	Waimanalo, HI	2013-10-22	Art and Pacific Islanders deserve respect! No military control; no global corporate control.

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Jacqueline Cruz	Dededo, GU	2013-10-22	preservation of culture and history
Vincent Camacho	Sedro Woolley, WA	2013-10-22	this has NOTHING to do with the military of ANY nation.....it is about OUR nations.....OUR Culture.....
sinahi sinahi	Hafatna, Gu, Guam	2013-10-22	It is a time to GO INDIGENOUS SUPPORT INDIGENOUS!
George Lujan	Dededo, Guam	2013-10-22	Militarism's creeping footprint should NOT be allowed any more space in any land, ocean, sky, 'space', heart or mind. It should 'stay within its current footprint' and work more on returning everything it claims to own back to their indigenous owners. Demilitarize EVERYTHING. Start with Bill 179-32.
Raphael Unpingco	Sinajana, Guam	2013-10-22	the military wasn't there with us in any prior fest pac, nor do they need to be at any future Fest. Pac.. it was a life choice for many on Guam yes, but they are as much members of the community as Spain was in the 1600's. I fail to see how we can even consider sharing with our guests the art of killing for conquering. Dispensa.
Lynyrd Puyat	Seattle, WA	2013-10-22	I don't support the militarization of the Marianas. There are many local concerns that need to be resolved. Pagan is a huge concern.
Moneka de Oro	Mangilao, GU	2013-10-22	The festival was created to celebrate our pacific heritage. Military forces on Guahan have historically and presently degraded Chamoru culture. (from banning the speaking of our language, discouraging the use of native traditional healing and denying access to sacred lands.) As islanders who at a drop of a dime can plan a party/bbq and are renowned for our hospitality we must have pride and faith in ourselves to host FestPac independent of the world's most deliberate force of hegemony. f
baltazar bell	Tamuning, Guam	2013-10-22	I am concerned about my culture.
Daylon Cottingham	Tianjin, China	2013-10-22	An injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. Not to mention the fact that the destruction of indigenous cultures will be the destruction of the preservation of the human race.
Anthony J.P. Ada	ILIG, Yona, Guam	2013-10-22	This amendment is defective in that it allows for a designee. And it doesn't apply the litmus test of being ACTIVE in the promotion of our culture through the arts. You allow for a designee and you will get a long roll of red tape to get any support. They will only attend to show face and make lame excuses like "I need to check with my boss" or "I have to bring it before my group". They don't need to be part of the planning to support the main reason for this event. This event will mean nothing to them unless it will bring a faster warship of a overflowing cash register.
Anthony J.P. Ada	ILIG, Yona, Guam	2013-10-22	Are they ACTIVE in the promotion of the Arts on Guam? The bill is defective because it allows for a designee. Of course, the designee will be sent because the heads would be too busy for something as trivial as culture. Unless it means getting a faster ship or larger cash register.
Nick Deane	Sydney, Australia	2013-10-23	Keep the military at bay!
Bob Bordallo	New York, NY	2013-10-23	As often as "art" is experimental and seemingly distasteful and blasphemous to some observers, "art" usually points to issues that involve the human condition. Oftentimes, "art" exposes the brokenness of the political status quo, which in our world increasingly involves militarization. How free is the artist to comment on the military state when s/he is being monitored by that military state?
Vanessa Warheit	san francisco, CA	2013-10-23	The US military has nothing to do with Pacific art & culture and should have no authority over this important, peaceful gathering.

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Donna Hutchinson	Seattle, WA	2013-10-23	The indigenous people have a right to a peaceful festival without the interference of the military.
Denis Doherty	Surry Hills, Australia	2013-10-23	We need a demilitarise pacific not a pivot!
Joe Babauta	Hagat, Guam	2013-10-23	When was " CULTURE " added in any oath?
Paul O'toko	Weno, Chuuk FSM, Micronesia, Federated States of	2013-10-23	We dont have any enemies that need killing nor defending our selves from. We had histories of destructions by Foreign Bullies & Intruders who came and did their childish problem solving, in our homes, feeding grounds n boundaries, by killing and destroying our people and habitats, indiscriminately. We are still poisoned and made poor by the past wars USA had in our boundaries...and the Atomic Bombs USA Detonate in our habitats...which USA is not willing to take responsibility for, even today. We are looked down upon coming to USA claimed territories, after being destroyed and poisoned by USA Military Strategic Activities in our Moana Nui...Micronesian, in particular. .
Noelani Goodyear-Kaopua	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-24	The Festival of Pacific Arts should be a safe space for artists of Oceania to come together and share. Given the violence that militarization and tourism have often caused in our islands, the inclusion of military leadership in particular does not foster a sense of free and safe expression for artists. What the heck does the military have to do with arts anyway?
Mary Baker	Waimanalo, HI	2013-10-24	The Pacific Festival of the Arts is about peace and sharing not military and commerce.
Dawn Perez	Yona, Guam	2013-10-26	The Festival of Pacific Arts is a celebration of our native cultures....we are here to gather as pacific brothers and sisters, not enemies....there is no threat, just a gathering of our cultural families....the military does not need to be present. We don't need to be dictated to when we're simply celebrating who we are as Pacific Islanders.
Kathy Ferguson	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-26	Despite years of pretending to the contrary, the military is not "just another neighbor" - it is the representative and the instrument of dispossession. I do not think that the Festival's purpose is to either legitimate or celebrate dispossession.
Manuel Deguzman	Barrigada, Guam, Guam	2013-10-27	FREE GUAHAN and Free FestPac 2016
Abraham Eldads	Vanuatu, Vanuatu	2013-10-31	I believe introduction of other cultures to this invaluable event can negatively affect our cultures over the coming years.
David Palaita	San Francisco, CA	2013-11-01	KEEP OCEAN IN OCEAN HANDS!
Andrew Grahaam	Sydney, Australia	2013-11-05	Militarism, particularly in its US interventionist form, threatens everyone's peace and prosperity in the Asia/Pacific.

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Jacob Perez	Tumon, Guam	2013-11-06	Indigenous Peoples and Cultures are what makes this world thrive with all their healing from (non-GMO) organic foods, water and medicines known to cure any and all illnesses. I stand for the everlasting growth of Indigenous Cultures/Peoples' knowledge, wisdom and healing which militarization of any kind destroys and controls/enslaves. We are the 'minority' but don't forget the 'minority' of all Indigenous Peoples is the "Majority" and "Majority Rules" again and again. I stand peacefully and assertively to keep my and all Indigenous Heritages alive and thriving without militarization or political propaganda. Decolonization and demilitarizaton of our '12th Festival of Pacific Arts' is and will always be possible as long as the descendants of these beautiful and 'powerful-beyond-belief' Indigenous Cultures/Peoples AND our Allies continue to breathe, eat, drink, teach, dance, sing, chant, share, heal, protect, respect and love ourselves, each other and the world for as long as we are alive in body but, most importantly, in spirit which will always be eternal. "We are jungle-generations reaching through the concrete. Every species that we save, saves our own from being extinct." JMP (for "MINA")
Brian San Nicolas	lakewood, WA	2013-12-11	Equality
David Topasna	Mangilao, Guam	2014-01-07	Preservation
Luis Mesngon Jr	Toto, Guam	2014-01-07	I believe it will be disrespectful to my culture, ancestors, families, friends, even further generations to come. There's so of the past glued to this site that it shouldn't be removed or changed.
Teresia Teaiwa	Wellington, New Zealand	2014-01-08	Hafa adai! I have signed this petition because I believe the U.S. military has no constructive role to play in organizing the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts to be held in Guam in 2016 since it has been a negative force in the continuation and revitalization of indigenous Chamorro cultural and economic practices in Guam as a result of its occupation of 1/3 of the island and its recent attempts to expand its territory, proposing to destroy vital terrestrial and marine sites of ecological and cultural significance in the process. Any organization that prioritizes military expansion over the long-term health and well-being of indigenous Chamorros has no business organizing the Festival of Pacific Arts either. As an academic who has studied the militarization of the Pacific Islands region, I encourage US military troops based on Guam and the Guam Chamber of Commerce to participate in the Festival as active learners. Pacific people have much to teach the world about sustainable living and the value of respect for both people and the environment in the age of climate change. Saina ma'ase.
Mokalagi Tamapeau	Wellington, New Zealand	2014-01-08	demiiiaitarize and decolonise the Pacific to restore guardianship to the indigenous.
Danny Butt	Auckland, New Zealand	2014-01-08	Despite the English-language saying, war is not an art worth the name.
susanne dr. kuehling	regina, Canada	2014-01-08	The military doesn't deserve being part of this festival.
Maria Rova	Nadi, Fiji	2014-01-09	The Festival needs to retain it's grassroots nature and remain free of agendas other than promoting the indigenous arts and cultures of the Pacific!
Maria Baza	Yona, Guam	2014-01-09	I am from Guam and Palau. I am against anyone who wishes to sacrifice our culture at the expense of the dollar. Who's with me?

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Robert Hunter	Staten Island, NY	2014-01-10	Why would you want to have the catalyst (the US military and its bases on Guam) responsible for the denial of the rights of the indigenous people of Guam, in particular the denial of a long overdue plebiscite to determine their political status and destiny, play any role at all in the planning of a festival celebrating and honoring Pacific people, and their heritage, culture, traditional knowledge, art and craft? Why would you want an entity that operates on Guam without the permission of the indigenous people of Guam, that use Guam soil and resources and propagates and enforces rules that deny Chamorros and other Guam residents access to resources, and that continues to move to take further resources, playing any role whatsoever in a festival whose purpose is to honor Pacific heritage, culture and art? Why on Earth would one want to denigrate themselves and the spirit of the Festival of Pacific Arts and Cultures (FESTPAC) like that? There are the larger Pacific issues as well, like the state of the people of the Marshalls who were taken advantage of to accommodate atomic testing and continue to get the sharp end of the federal shaft, and issues with the threat to marine life posed by military vessels, the use of islands for bomb practice and current moves to destroy further islands (like Pagan) with more bombing ranges, etc. I take this personally as I am an artist. I am also a Micronesian, an artist-delegate, a delegation organizer and delegation leader for previous FESTPACs, a former member of the Pacific Arts Council, a former president of what was the CNMI's largest visual arts guild Arts Inc., the Vice-Chair of the Consortium of Pacific Arts and Cultures, the former Executive Director of the Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, and as a former art teacher and Arts Program Coordinator for the CNMI Public School System. While I am not opposed to the Guam Chamber playing a role on the organizing committee, as local business surely has a role in facilitating the festival, I am wholly opposed to the participation of military representation on a coordinating committee of a Pacific cultural and arts festival. Of course we all want every segment of the community including military personnel and their families to be included and feel welcome, as is the Pacific way… you do that by sending them a schedule of the events and activities along with a kind invitation to attend.
Guillaume Colombani	French Polynesia	2014-01-10	Army has no place at all in a Festival dedicated to Arts !
Jenny Fraser	Brisbane, Australia	2014-01-13	doesnt have to be a culture war
Jeannette Hereniko	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-13	I am well aware of the uniqueness of the Festival of Pacific Arts to empower indigenous Pacific Islanders. Although I am not one, my world is enriched by knowing that they are free of military pressures in organizing the Festival. Pacific Islanders from Guam have made it clear that they do not want a military representative, and I feel strongly they should be listened to and prevail in this issue. Thank you for your attention to this important issue of representation and empowerment.
Yvonne Undehill-Sem	Auckland, New Zealand	2014-01-19	The tentacles of the military industrial complex cannot be left to wander into spaces which fundamentally work for high levels of humanity

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Recipient: Honorable Senators and Coordinating Committee Members - 12th Festival of Pacific Arts

Letter: Greetings,

I say, "NO," to the addition of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas and the Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce (who lobbies for the hypermilitarization of Guam) as official, decision-making members of the Guam 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

Demilitarize and decolonize the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts.

Signatures

Name	Location	Date
Jonathan Diaz	Tot Barrigada, GU, United States	2013-10-21
Jonathan Diaz	Barrigada, Guam	2013-10-21
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Stacie Ayala	Rushden, Eng, United Kingdom	2013-10-21
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Alexander San Nicolas	Santa Rita, GU, United States	2013-10-21
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Dr. Hope Cristobal	Tamuning, , Guam	2013-10-21
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Vincent Camacho	Sedro Woolley, WA, United States	2013-10-22

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Matua Ånghet Salas	Sinajana, , Guam	2013-10-22
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Nick Deane	Australia	2013-10-23
Bob Bordallo	New York, NY, United States	2013-10-23
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Terence Aflague	Yona, , Guam	2013-10-23
Vanessa Warheit	Palo Alto, CA, United States	2013-10-23
Jeannette Griffin	San Diego, CA, United States	2013-10-23
Leilani Nelson	Yigo,	2013-10-23
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Donna Hutchinson	Seattle, WA, United States	2013-10-23
Ramon Diaz	Boulder, CO, United States	2013-10-23
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Rachel Lizama	Yona, Guam	2013-10-23
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Susan Justice	Hilo, HI, United States	2013-10-23
Paul O'toko	Chuuk, Micronesia,	2013-10-23
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Concerned Citizen	New City, NY, United States	2013-10-25
Bettina Brown	Kailua, HI, United States	2013-10-25
Antonia Salas	Hagatna,	2013-10-25
Jonathan Perez	Santa Rita, Guam	2013-10-25
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Rufae Inina Santos	Mongmong, , Guam	2013-10-26
Anthony Ray Mantanona	Inarajan, GU, United States	2013-10-26
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Ariana Villaverde	Sinajana, GU,	2013-10-26
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Marilyn Chaco	Agat, GU, United States	2013-10-27
Manuel Deguzman	Barrigada, Guam,	2013-10-27
Ashley Hofschneider	Mangilao,	2013-10-27
Peter JS Constantino	guam,	2013-10-27
Naomi Taitingfong	Chalan Pago Ordot, , Guam	2013-10-27
Joleen Aguon	Hagatna, Guam	2013-10-28
Aiko Yamashiro	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-28
Maria Teresa Aguon	Chalan Pago,	2013-10-28
Howard A. Hemsing	Yigo, Guam	2013-10-28
Bernadette Matthews	Inarajan, Guam	2013-10-28
Jackie Ramirez	Lakewood, WA, United States	2013-10-28
Sarah Smith	Mangilao, , Guam	2013-10-28
josi Aguon	chaplain pago, Guam	2013-10-28
Kenneth Gofigan Kuper	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-28
Jaynina Smith-Prince	Spanaway, WA, United States	2013-10-30
Abraham Eldads	Vanuatu,	2013-10-31
David Palaita	Richmond, CA, United States	2013-11-01
Andrew Graham	Australia	2013-11-05
Tressa Diaz	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-11-05
Jacob Perez	Tumon, , Guam	2013-11-06
david delacalzada	chula vista, CA, United States	2013-11-10
Jeanna Pangelinan	Chalan Pago Ordot, , Guam	2013-11-11
Ivanna Nuno	Chula Vista, CA, United States	2013-11-11
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Sandy Stilwell	guam,	2013-11-13

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Gabriel Ramirez	San Luis Obispo, CA, United States	2013-11-14
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Tai Paitai	Auckland, New Zealand,	2014-01-08
Sina Brown-Davis	melbourne, Australia	2014-01-08
Jodi Devine	Port Vila, She, Vanuatu	2014-01-08
Seini Nabou	Suva, Cen, Fiji	2014-01-08
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Maria Bargh	Wellington, New Zealand,	2014-01-08
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David Oradesky	San Francisco, CA, United States	2014-01-08
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October 17, 2013

Memorandum

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Fiscal Notes /Waivers**

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Hafa Adai!

Attached please find the waiver for the bill numbers listed below. Please note that the fiscal notes, or waivers, are issued on the bills as introduced.

FISCAL NOTES:
Bill No. 167-32(LS)
Bill No. 186-32(COR)
Bill No. 192-32(COR)
Bill No. 205-32(COR)

WAIVERS:
Bill No. 179-32(COR)
Bill No. 198-32(COR)

Please forward the same to MIS for posting on our website. Please contact our office should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Si Yu'os ma'åse'!

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Chairperson, Committee on Rules
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The 31st Guam Legislature
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Hafa Adai Senator Respicio:

Transmitted herewith is Fiscal Note on the following Bill Nos.: **167-32(LS), 186-32(COR), 192-32(COR), 205-32(COR) and** Fiscal Note Waiver on the following Bill Nos.: **179-32(COR), and 138-32(COR).**

If you have any question(s), please do not hesitate to call the office at 475-9412/9106.

JOHN A. RIOS
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Enclosures
cc: Senator Vicente (ben) Pangelinan



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OCT 11 2013

The Bureau requests that Bill No. 179-32 (COR) be granted a waiver pursuant to Public Law 12-229 as amended for the following reason(s):

The Bill is administrative in nature in that it proposes to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts' Coordinating Committee. The proposed legislation seeks to add four (4) additional designees to the aforementioned Committee to include one (1) additional member each from the Guam Legislature, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association and the Joint Region Marianas.

Based on the foregoing, there is no fiscal impact posed by the subject legislation.

JOHN A. RIOS

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September 6, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 179-32(COR)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

Attachment

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September 30, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members/All Senators

From: Chairman, Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

Re: First Notice of Public Hearing – Five Day Notice – October 7, 2013

Hafa Adai! Please be advised that the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday, October 7, 2013, beginning at 10:00AM in I Liheslatura's Public Hearing Room with the following agenda:

Bill No. 175-32 (COR) - M.F.Q. San Nicolas / F.B. Aguon, Jr. / B.J.F. Cruz / T.A. Morrison - An act to allow non-commissioned officers to have their service recognized for management positions of the government of Guam, by adding a new §4129 to Article 1, Chapter 4, Title 4, Guam Code Annotated.

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Senseramente,

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Second Notice of Public Hearing – Two Day Notice – October 7, 2013

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October 3, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members/All Senators

From: Chairman, Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

Re: Second Notice of Public Hearing – Two Day Notice – October 7, 2013

Hafa Adai! Please be advised that the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday, October 7, 2013, beginning at 10:00AM in I Liheslatura's Public Hearing Room with the following agenda:

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Public Hearing
AGENDA
Monday, October 7, 2013 – 10:00AM

Bill No. 175-32 (COR) - M.F.Q. San Nicolas / F.B. Aguon, Jr. / B.J.F. Cruz / T.A. Morrison - An act to allow non-commissioned officers to have their service recognized for management positions of the government of Guam, by adding a new §4129 to Article 1, Chapter 4, Title 4, Guam Code Annotated.

Bill No. 179-32 (COR) - B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. - An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

Bill No. 180-32 (COR) - B.J.F. Cruz / T.C. Ada - An act to amend Section 30102(a) of Chapter 30, Title 5 Guam Code Annotated, to require agencies permitted to retain counsel other than the Attorney General, to hire unclassified, in-house counsel.

Bill No. 189-32 (COR) - D.G. Rodriguez, Jr. - An act to facilitate the recruitment of hard-to-fill allied health professional positions, by amending §6229.14 of Chapter 6, 4 GCA, and subsection (a) of § 12805, Article 8, Chapter 12, Part 1, 10 GCA.

Bill No. 200-32 (COR) - R.J. Respicio, T.C. Ada, B J.F. Cruz - An act to amend Title 10 Guam Code Annotated §77135 Relative to Police Clearances, to be known as the "Police Clearance Clarity Act of 2013."

Nasion CHamoru questions inclusion of JRM in FestPac committee

TUESDAY, 08 OCT 2013 03:00AM BY LOUELLA LOSINIO | VARIETY NEWS STAFF HITS: 451

SHARE

THE activist group Nasion CHamoru yesterday questioned the inclusion of the Commander of Joint Region Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce in the coordinating committee for the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts during a public hearing held yesterday.

The Legislature's committee on general government operations chaired by Vice Speaker Benjamin Cruz convened a public hearing on several bills including Bill 179, which expands the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts to be held in 2016.

Speaker Judith Won Pat and Sen. Tina Muña-Barnes co-sponsored the bill.

Cruz, who authored Bill 179, said the coordinating committee has recommended that the legislation setting the composition of the committee be amended to include the chairpersons of the Legislative Committee on Tourism, the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his/her designee, Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association, and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his/her designee.



The Festival of Pacific Arts is a traveling festival hosted every four years by a different country in Oceania and the Pacific, including Guam. Variety file photo

Kie Susuico, an indigenous artist who spoke on behalf of Nasion CHamoru, said Bill 179 "seems like an attempt to showcase a homogenized Guamanian culture rather than truly represent our indigenous Chamorro culture at the 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts."

"I believe that the involvement of Joint Regional Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce would present an image of a Chamorro nation that is forever dependent on the U.S. and its military forces rather than Chamorros as a strong Oceanic people," he said in his testimony.

Impact

Susuico said the devastating impact of the U.S. and the military on Chamorro culture and language can be seen throughout Guam's history, questioning, "How can we today, allow them to have a say on what Chamorro culture is?"

He said Guam can host the event without military involvement, citing Palau in 2004 and American Samoa in 2008 as examples.

"Why can't we imagine a more grassroots approach that will bring our community as a whole, including our high school and university students, local businesses, and non-government organizations to make FestPact 2016 a true success," he said.

Meanwhile, Selina Onedera-Salas also offered oral testimony, emphasizing that the Festival of Pacific Arts was intended for Pacific Islanders from Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia to come together to attempt to combat the erosion of traditional customary practices through the expression of culture and arts.

"The gathering was designed to provide an open and safe space to share and learn about the experiences of our island sisters and brothers as well as for us to learn more about ourselves as a Pacific community," she said.

Although she does not agree that hosting the festival should be viewed as a commercially driven opportunity or should be commercially advertised, she said she understands why the chairpersons of the Chambers of Commerce as well as the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association would be added to the coordinating committee.

"What I am most concerned with is the intent to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas. The inclusion of this position will demonstrate and perpetuate the idea that Guam is incapable of hosting the event of this magnitude without the assistance and employment of the military personnel in an official decision-making capacity," she said.

Support

Monica Okada Guzman, chairperson of the Guam Council of the Arts and Humanities, said the theme of the festival: "What We Own, What We Have, What We Share, United Voices of the Pacific," is very inclusive and speaks to the intent of Bill 179, which is to bring all sectors of the community together to plan and welcome Pacific island neighbors to Guam.

Expressing her support for the bill, she said in 2016 Guam will welcome up to 3,500 delegates from 27 island nations to participate in more than 40 different art forms and cultural events over a 14-day period.

"It will be the largest event Guam will host second only to the South Pacific Games which Guam hosted in 1975 and again in 1999," she said, stressing that the inclusion of the commander of Joint Region Marianas and other representatives will ensure all sectors of the community are engaged in the celebration of culture.

Theresa Cruz Arriola, FestPac 2016 chairwoman, also expressed support for the measure, saying the committee feels strongly that the current additions would enhance Guam's ability to put forth the best plan to host the delegates who will be coming over for the festival.

"It is my experience that with executing regional and international events with high protocol demands, success and the smooth implementation of Guam's hosting could not be possible without the involvement and cooperation of all sectors of our island. The measure would assist in accomplishing this goal," she said.

Guam is preparing to host the 12th festival, which has been held every four years since 1972. The festival brings together artists and cultural practitioners from around the Pacific region for two weeks of festivity.

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October 17, 2013

Memorandum

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Fiscal Notes /Waivers**

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Hafa Adai!

Attached please find the waiver for the bill numbers listed below. Please note that the fiscal notes, or waivers, are issued on the bills as introduced.

FISCAL NOTES:
Bill No. 167-32(LS)
Bill No. 186-32(COR)
Bill No. 192-32(COR)
Bill No. 205-32(COR)

WAIVERS:
Bill No. 179-32(COR)
Bill No. 198-32(COR)

Please forward the same to MIS for posting on our website. Please contact our office should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Si Yu'os ma'åse'!

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Hafa Adai Senator Respicio:

Transmitted herewith is Fiscal Note on the following Bill Nos.: **167-32(LS), 186-32(COR), 192-32(COR), 205-32(COR) and** Fiscal Note Waiver on the following Bill Nos.: **179-32(COR), and 138-32(COR).**

If you have any question(s), please do not hesitate to call the office at 475-9412/9106.

JOHN A. RIOS
Director

Enclosures
cc: Senator Vicente (ben) Pangelinan

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The Bureau requests that Bill No. 179-32 (COR) be granted a waiver pursuant to Public Law 12-229 as amended for the following reason(s):

The Bill is administrative in nature in that it proposes to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts' Coordinating Committee. The proposed legislation seeks to add four (4) additional designees to the aforementioned Committee to include one (1) additional member each from the Guam Legislature, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association and the Joint Region Marianas.

Based on the foregoing, there is no fiscal impact posed by the subject legislation.

JOHN A. RIOS

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September 24, 2013

VIA E-MAIL
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RE: Request for Fiscal Notes– Bill Nos. 177-32(COR) through 180-32(COR); 184-32(COR) through 186-32(COR); and 188-32(COR) through 193-32(COR)

Hafa Adai Mr. Rios:

Transmitted herewith is a listing of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan's* most recently introduced bills. Pursuant to 2 GCA §9103, I respectfully request the preparation of fiscal notes for the referenced bills.

Si Yu'os ma'åse' for your attention to this matter.

Very Truly Yours,

Rory J. Respicio

Senator Rory J. Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Attachments (1)

Cc: Clerk of the Legislature

Bill Nos.	Sponsor	Title
177-32 (COR)	Vicente (ben) C. Pangelinan, Michael F.Q. SanNicolas, Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., T. R. Muña Barnes, Frank B. Aguon, Jr., B.J.F. Cruz, R.J. Respicio	AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATIONSOF THE EXECUTIVE, LEGISLATIVE, AND JUDICIAL BRANCHES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014; MAKING OTHER APPROPRIATIONS; AND ESTABLISHING MISCELLANEOUS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.
178-32 (COR)	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Tina R. Muna Barnes D.G. Rodriguez, Jr., Rory J. Respicio, Michael F.Q. San Nicolas Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Tommy Morrison	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE REMAINING FUNDS ESCHEATED TO THE GENERAL FUND PRIOR TO END OF FISCAL YEAR 2013, PURSUANT TO §21116 OF CHAPTER 21, DIVISION 2, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZED TO USE AS A LOCAL REQUIREMENT FOR THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.
179-32 (COR)	B.J.F. Cruz T.R. Muña-Barnes J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D	AN ACT TO AMEND P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12THFESTIVALOF PACIFIC ARTSOF 2016.
180-32 (COR)	B.J.F. Cruz T. C. Ada	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 30102(a) OF CHAPTER 30, TITLE 5 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO REQUIRE AGENCIES PERMITTED TO RETAIN COUNSEL OTHER THAN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, TO HIRE UNCLASSIFIED, IN-HOUSE COUNSEL.
184-32 (COR)	Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D., V. Anthony Ada, Brant T. McCreadie, Tommy Morrison, Michael T. Limtiaco, Chris M.Dueñas	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS ($3,000,000) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 31-29.
185-32 (COR)	Michael T. Limtiaco, Brant T. McCreadie, V. Anthony Ada, Chris M.Dueñas, Tommy Morrison, Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.,	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF FOUR HUNDRED FORTY NINE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN DOLLARS ($449,119) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO PURCHASE VEHICLES FOR THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT.
186-32 (COR)	Tommy Morrison, Brant T. McCreadie, V. Anthony Ada, Chris M.Dueñas, Michael T. Limtiaco, Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.,	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS ($3,000,000) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE GUAM FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.

188-32 (COR)	T.R. MUÑA Barnes, B. J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 80.50 TO ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 80, TITLE 9 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED KNOWN AS THE JUSTICE SAFETY VALVE ACT OF 2013 RELATIVE TO EMPOWERING THE COURTS OF GUAM TO DEPART FROM APPLICABLE MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES UNDER SPECIFIC CONDITIONS, ANDFOROTHER PURPOSES.
189-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	AN ACT TO FACILITATE THE RECRUITMENT OF HARD-TO-FILL ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS, BY AMENDING §6229.14 OF CHAPTER 6, 4 GCA, AND SUBSECTION (a) OF § 12805, ARTICLE 8, CHAPTER 12, PART 1, 10 GCA.
190-32 (COR)	B J.F. Cruz, Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 28 TO DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE RESEARCH CORPORATION, UNIVERSITY OF GUAM (RCUOG).
191-32 (COR)	Frank B. Aguon, Jr.	AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW 31-235, RELATIVE TO THE WOMEN'S REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH INFORMATION ACT OF 2012.
192-32 (COR)	B J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 64.15, § 64.16, AND § 64.17 TO CHAPTER 64 OF TITLE 9 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; RELATIVE TO THE PROHIBITION AND FORFEITURE OF ELECTRONIC MACHINES OR DEVICES TO CONDUCT SWEEPSTAKES GAMBLING.
193-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW 31-235 TO DELETE THE PROVISION REQUIRING THE "PRINTED MATERIALS" AND THE "CHECKLIST CERTIFICATION" TO UNDERGO THE RULE MAKING PROCESS PURSUANT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION LAW.

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MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 179-32(COR)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan.*

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

Attachment

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2013 (First) Regular Session

2013 SEP -6 AM 11:40

Bill No. 79-32 (COR)

Introduced by:

B. J.F. Cruz
T.R. Muña-Barnes
J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

AN ACT TO *AMEND* P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Section 3 of P.L. 30-83 is hereby *amended* to read:

"**Section 3. Composition**. The following *shall* constitute the membership of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee (the "Committee"):

(a) The President of the Department of Chamorro Affairs;

(b) the Executive Director of the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency;

(c) three (3) members, to be appointed by *I Maga'lahen* (the Governor), representing the organizations active in the promotion of the arts on Guam;

(d) a member of the Mayors Council of Guam, appointed by the President of the Mayors Council;

(e) two (2) members of *I Liheslatura*, to be appointed by the Speaker, who may designate himself;

(f) the Chairperson of the Committee on Cultural Affairs of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* or its successor;

(g) the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Guam Visitors Bureau or his designee; ~~and~~

(h) the Speaker of the Guam Youth Congress or his designee;

(i) the Chairperson of the Committee on Tourism of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* or its successor;

(j) the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his designee;

(k) the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or his designee; and

(l) the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his designee."

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN

2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

Voting Sheet

Speaker Antonio R. Unipingco Legislative Session Hall
February 1, 2014

Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
As substituted by the Committee on General Government Operations & Cultural Affairs

NAME	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent
Senator Thomas "Tom" C. ADA	✓				
Senator V. Anthony "Tony" ADA	✓				
Senator Frank Blas AGUON Jr.	✓				
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. CRUZ	✓				
Senator Christopher M. DUENAS	✓				
Senator Michael LIMTIACO	✓				
Senator Brant McCREADIE	✓				
Senator Thomas "Tommy" MORRISON	✓				
Senator Tina Rose MUÑA BARNES	✓				
Senator Vicente (ben) Cabrera PANGELINAN	✓				
Senator Rory J. RESPICIO	✓				
Senator Dennis G. RODRIGUEZ, Jr.	✓				
Senator Michael F. Q.SAN NICOLAS	✓				
Speaker Judith T. WON PAT, Ed.D.	✓				
Senator Aline A. YAMASHITA, Ph.D.	✓				
TOTAL	15				
	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

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The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat
Speaker
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32nd Guam Legislature
155 Hesler Place
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

VIA: The Honorable Rory J Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

RE: Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted

Dear Speaker Won Pat:

Transmitted herewith is the Report of Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

Committee votes are as follows:

5 TO DO PASS
____ TO NOT PASS
2 TO REPORT OUT ONLY
____ TO ABSTAIN
____ TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

Sincerely,

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Chairperson

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COMMITTEE REPORT

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An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: **All Members**

FROM: **Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz**
Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

SUBJECT: **Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted**

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – "An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016."

This report includes the following:

- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest
- Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
- Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Copies of Submitted Testimony & Supporting Documents
- COR Referral of Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
- Fiscal Note Requirement
- Notices of Public Hearing
- Public Hearing Agenda
- Related News Reports

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ

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COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

I. OVERVIEW

Bill No. 179-32 (COR) was introduced by B.J.F. Cruz, T.R. Muña Barnes, and J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. on **September 6, 2013**, and subsequently referred to the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs on **September 9, 2013**.

The **Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs** convened a public hearing on **Monday**, **October 7, 2013**, at **10:00AM** in the Public Hearing Room *of I Liheslatura.* Among the items on the agenda was Bill No. 179-32 (COR) – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

The public hearing for Bill No. 179-32 (COR) began at 10:27AM and ended at 11:17AM.

Public Notice Requirements

All legal requirements for public notices were met, with requests for publication sent to all media and all Senators on **September 30, 2013**, and **October 3, 2013**, via email. Copies of the hearing notices are appended to the report.

Senators Present

Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, *Chairperson*
Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., *Ex-Officio Member*
Senator Thomas C. Ada, *Member*
Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, *Member*
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr., *Member*
Senator Christopher M. Duenas, *Member*
Senator V. Anthony Ada, *Member*
Senator Michael Limtiaco, *Member*
Senator Thomas Morrison, *Member*
Senator Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D., *Member*

Oral Testimony

*Selina Onederas-Salas
*Joseph Artero-Cameron, *President, Department of Chamorro Affairs*
*Monica Okada Guzman, *Chairperson, Guam Council on the Arts & Humanities*
*Theresa C. Arriola, *Chairperson, 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee*
*Kie Susuico, *Board Member, Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru*

**Also provided written testimony.*

Additional Written Testimony

Andrea Nicole Grajek, *Artist/Illustrator*
Chamoru Nation (*provided by Mr. Susuico*)
Mayor June U. Blas and Vice Mayor Jessie P. Bautista, *Municipality of Barrigada*
Jonathan Guerrero
Cara Flores-Mays
Maria Cristobal

II. TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

Chairman Benjamin J.F Cruz announced Bill No. 179-32 (COR) then gave his comments as the sponsor of the bill:

> "As the community may know, Guam was awarded the honor of hosting the South Pacific Festival of the Arts (FestPac) in 2016—that's barely 30 months away. I know nobody likes to hear that number; it's scary. We're almost at the end of 2013. The Coordinating Committee bas been meeting and it was the Committee's recommendation that the legislation be amended to include the Chairperson of the Committee of Tourism of *I Lehislaturan Guahan* or its successor committee, the Chairperson of the Guam Commerce or his or her designee, the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or his or her designee, and the Commander of Joint Region Marianas (JRM) or his or her designee. So that bill is now up for hearing."

Chairman Cruz acknowledged individuals who signed up to testify and invited them to approach the panel.

Ms. Selina Onederas-Salas read her written testimony (*written testimony appended to this report*). She stated that she supports all inclusions in Bill No. 179-32 (COR) except for the addition of the Commander of JRM to the Coordinating Committee.

Mr. Joseph Artero-Cameron, President of the Department of Chamorro Affairs, began his testimony in Chamorro. Translated in summary, he expressed his support of the bill.

> "This measure is very important because it includes all people in this community. For more than two years I've watched this Committee work to get us where we are. My understanding is not the same as the woman who spoke before me. Our primary concern should be the entire community from wherever you may come. I would not like it if this Committee becomes political; the responsibility of this group is heavy. This is not an issue for politics; this is an issue for our community. The military is a part of the community and they can help us host delegates from 27 island nations. The discussion of excluding the military is distasteful. The intent of this measure is to bring more people in and that is very important. For example, I understand the limitations of the Executive branch but when we were getting ready to go to the Solomon Islands I was told at the airport that we could not bring some delegates because there was

no money. But we failed to understand how important transportation is and that's why we needed these people. More than 3,000 people will arrive on Guam. We went to the Solomon Islands to see how to transport and house FestPac delegates but those who were responsible for observing those aspects of the event were not able to attend the festival. Right now we have no plan as to how to bring in 6,500 pounds of starch and other food needed to feed the delegates. The event will require agencies to coordinate and share their resources. For example, without Public Works being fully involved the success of the whole event may be jeopardized. We need clearer lines of communication between stakeholders. At the last FestPac they had clear lines of communication and points of contact, and these are all things that can be implemented for the 2016 FestPac."

Speaking on behalf of the FestPac Taskforce Committee, **Mr. Artero-Cameron** continued his oral testimony, remarking that the Committee has been meeting for more than two years and its members "know what it takes to move forward." He said that the Committee has been receiving messages from the South Pacific Community that they "are doing great", which puts great pressure on Guam as a community. He stated that he does not concur with Ms. Onederas-Salas statement that this is "a political nightmare," and he welcomes the inclusion of the military in the Coordinating Committee. He supports all the inclusions proposed by Bill No. 179-32 (COR) but he wants to recommend four additional members: the Director of the Guam Department of Agriculture or his or her designee, the Director of the Department of Public Works or his or her designee, Guam's Point of Contact for the Secretariat of the Pacific Communities, and the General Manager of the Guam International Airport Authority or his or her designee.

Ms. Monica Okada Guzman, Chairperson of the Guam Council on the Arts & Humanities (CAHA), greeted the Committee members present and read her written testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR) (*written testimony appended to this report*). She recommends that the inclusion of the Executive Director of CAHA as a member of the Coordinating Committee, be changed to the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of CAHA. Currently, the Executive Director is also the President, who is already included in the Committee. She also recommended the addition of the First Lady as a voting member of the Committee as the Honorary Chairperson.

Chairman Cruz acknowledged that Ms. Guzman has been holding quarterly meetings and that she has been leading the Coordinating Committee. He thanked Ms. Guzman for her efforts.

Ms. Theresa C. Arriola, Chairperson of the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee, read her written testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR) (*written testimony appended to this report*). She stated that she looks forward to working with First Lady Calvo and the additional members proposed by the bill.

Mr. Kie Susuico, Board Member of *Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru* (Guardians of the Chamorro Culture), read his written testimony in opposition to Bill 179-32 (COR) regarding the inclusion of the Commander of JRM and the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce to the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee (*written testimony appended to this report*).

Chairman Cruz thanked Mr. Susuico and acknowledged that it was his motion during the Coordinating Committee meeting to expand the membership. He explained that FestPac is going to be a $13-million endeavor, adding that according to Ms. Arriola's initial estimate, they currently only have $5 million in cash. Chairman Cruz mentioned recent efforts to collect $2.5 million in unremitted Hotel Occupancy Taxes but FestPac might only be able to get $13 million. To provide an example of an expense related to hosting such a festival, he mentioned that a participant of the previous FestPac in the Solomon Islands reported that attendants were provided cellphones for the event. He questioned Mr. Susuico's opposition of the bill and his comprehension of the matter, asking him rhetorically how Guam will be able to raise money for the event without the help of the Guam Chamber of Commerce. Chairman Cruz admitted that his inclusion of the Commander of JRM was based on his experience during the 1999 South Pacific Games (SPG) as Chairperson of Protocol Committee. The SPG participants encountered visa problems and he anticipates similar challenges for the 2016 FestPac. He said that Hawaii, the host of the 2020 FestPac, is now looking at how Guam will handle the immigration issue. He remarked that the military has proven to be very valuable members of the Guam community, actively participating in foster home programs, Special Olympics events, and public school cleanups.

Mr. Susuico responded, comparing the participation of the U.S. military in FestPac planning activities to "having slave owners plan Black History Month." He mentioned that American Samoa did not need military assistance to host their FestPac event.

Chairman Cruz replied that he understands Mr. Susuico's opposition from the perspective of an indigenous member of the community. He reiterated that FestPac is a large and costly endeavor and while previous hosts were able to receive financial assistance from other countries, Guam, as a U.S. territory, is not able to avail of financial help from foreign states. He said that the Guam will have to shoulder all the costs of hosting the event, and the Coordinating Committee needs the Chamber's help to figure out how to raise the necessary funds. He added that the assistance that Guam will receive to host FestPac depends on the volunteer efforts of the entire Guam community.

Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. remarked that hosting FestPac is larger than individual issues and that the cost required is overwhelming. She said that the expansion of membership of the Coordinating Committee is necessary but she suggested a compromise of adding designations for voting, non-voting members, and ex-officio members. She said that inclusion of more members could make decision-making unruly without the membership designations. She acknowledges that culture

has eroded in Guam. She stated the importance of placing artist practitioners at the center and that all others should help in realizing the success of this event.

Senator Christopher M. Duenas suggested the addition of the Adjutant General of the National Guard, in lieu of the Commander of JRM, to the Coordinating Committee as a voting member. He stated that General has direct contact to the resources of the National Guard. He said that the Chairman's anxiety is warranted because FestPac will need all the help it can get. He concluded his statement in Chamorro, saying he's Chamorro and he respects the men and woman at war right now who are serving to protect Guam.

Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas stated that he never perceived inclusion to be antithetical to Chamorro identity or strength. He noted that many Chamorro values are not indigenous to Guam but they have become a part of Chamorro culture. He stated that including more stakeholders into the planning of FestPac would display the strength of the Chamorro culture and that the mentality of inclusion is the right direction for the next generation of Chamorros. He added that Chamorros have embraced many concepts of the colonizers, including capital markets, business, finance, and industry. He credits the specialness of the Chamorro people to their resilience and adaptation. He said he supports the views of the Chairman Cruz and he is not intimidated by the inclusion of the Commander of JRM; rather collaboration with the military would show the continued strength and confidence of the Chamorro people. He recommended that other groups, such as the Women's Chamber, should also be included.

Senator Michael Limtiaco highlighted Mr. Cameron's recommendation, specifically the Director of Department of Agriculture and the Director of the Department of Public Works, and how those additions to the Coordinating Committee would be beneficial to the FestPac event.

Chairman Cruz, on the account that there was no one else present to provide oral testimony, adjourned the public hearing for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on testimony provided at the measure's public hearing, Substitute Bill 179-32 (COR) reflects a single amendment: the addition of the Guam Legislature's Chairperson on Tourism as a member of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

The Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs to which was referred "Bill No. 179-32 (COR) – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016" hereby submits these findings to *I Mina' Trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan* and reports out Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted, with a recommendation TO PASS.

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2013 (First) Regular Session

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Bill No. 79-30 (COR)

Introduced by:

B. J.F. Cruz
T.R. Muña-Barnes
J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

AN ACT TO *AMEND* P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Section 3 of P.L. 30-83 is hereby *amended* to read:

"**Section 3. Composition**. The following *shall* constitute the membership of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee (the "Committee"):

(a) The President of the Department of Chamorro Affairs;

(b) the Executive Director of the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency;

(c) three (3) members, to be appointed by *I Maga'lahen* (the Governor), representing the organizations active in the promotion of the arts on Guam;

(d) a member of the Mayors Council of Guam, appointed by the President of the Mayors Council;

(e) two (2) members of *I Liheslatura*, to be appointed by the Speaker, who may designate himself;

(f) the Chairperson of the Committee on Cultural Affairs of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* or its successor;

(g) the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Guam Visitors Bureau or his designee; ~~and~~

(h) the Speaker of the Guam Youth Congress or his designee;

(i) the Chairperson of the Committee on Tourism of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* or its successor;

(j) the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his designee;

(k) the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or his designee; and

(l) the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his designee."

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2014 (Second) Regular Session

Bill No. 179-32 (COR)

Introduced by: ***As Substituted**
By the Committee on General Government
Operations & Cultural Affairs

B. J.F. Cruz
T.R. Muña-Barnes
J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

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NAME	AGENCY OR ORGANIZATION (IF ANY)	SUPPORT? OPPOSE?	WRITTEN TESTIMONY	ORAL TESTIMONY	CONTACT NUMBER	EMAIL ADDRESS
Selma Onedera-Salas	Self	Support/oppose	✓	✓	477-7415	
JOSEPH A. CAMACHO	GHS	Support	✓	✓	777-5900	
Monica Guzman	CHHA	Support		✓	646-3448	
Mdresa Arriola	2016 FestPac	support	✓			

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KIE SUSUICO			✓			

Oga'an minagof giya hamyo. My name is Selina Onedera-Salas, and I am here to submit testimony on Bill 179-32.

According to the website for the South Pacific Community, the Festival of Pacific Arts was intended for Pacific Islanders from Melanesia, Micronesia, and Polynesia to come together to "attempt to combat the erosion of traditional customary practices" through the expression of cultural art. This quadrennial gathering was designed to provide an open and safe space for us to share and learn about the experiences of our island sisters and brothers and for us to learn more about ourselves as a Pacific community. It is through this exchange of cultural artistic expression that our people are able to gain a broader and deeper appreciation of what it is that we seek to preserve, no matter what discipline of art we practice in.

Although I do not agree that hosting the festival should be viewed as a commercial opportunity or should be commercially-driven, I understand why we may feel compelled to call on the Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce and the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association. I fully support the inclusion of the Chairperson of the Legislative Committee on Tourism. What I am most concerned with, however, is the intent to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas.

The inclusion of this position will effectively demonstrate and perpetuate the idea that Guam is incapable of hosting an event of this magnitude without the assistance and employment of the military community in an official, decision-making capacity.

I have been told that the purpose of adding the Commander as a member of the Coordinating Committee is to ensure **inclusivity** in planning and hosting this festival as well as for the JRM's support with logistics. I believe that if we wish to convey a message of being inclusive, we can invite our friends from the military community to volunteer to assist us, in the very same manner and fashion that every other civilian volunteer will.

Perhaps the government of Guam may enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the JRM and its Commander to provide the support that is solicited. This gesture would be welcomed, but as a private citizen and one who is interested in participating as a delegate, I do not agree that the Commander should have a decision-making role in the coordination of the festival.

I'd like to add that inclusivity goes both ways—if we are to be inclusive of the military community, I'm curious to know whether or not we may freely avail ourselves of facilities that are located on military installations around the island during the festival.

In the meantime, I'd like to refresh the idea of recruiting volunteers from among our high school, college, and university students; various clubs and organizations around the island; and all other law-abiding citizens who pose no threat to the public. Just like our service members, these individuals deserve a chance to participate in providing logistical support so they may learn about the importance of this gathering.

FestPac 2016 is one of very few opportunities for us to be able to tell our stories as the indigenous people of Guam. This is our chance to come together as CHamorus to be able to share our culture through the creativity of our people.

If we really pay attention to why this festival was conceived of in 1972, my statements today should spark more discussions of how Subsection (l) defeats what the great minds of the SPC were considering.

Lastly, I would like to recommend to replace Subsection (l) with the Executive Director or Administrator of the Serve Guam! Commission so that she or he may be tasked with recruiting volunteers from around the island.

I hope that we can maintain the integrity of the festival in solidarity.

Saina ma'åse'

12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS
GUAM 2016
"What we own, what we have,
what we share – United Voice of the Pacific"

October 3, 2013

The Honorable Benjamin J. F. Cruz
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SUBJECT: Bill No. 179-32 (COR), an act to amend P. L. 30-83 Relative to the Coordinating Committee of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts of 2016.

Buenas & Hafa Adai Chairman Cruz and distinguished members of the Committee on General Government Operations & Cultural Affairs. Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in support of Bill 179 with regards to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

Before proceeding, please allow me on behalf of the Coordinating Committee to take this time to extend our deepest appreciation to the members of the 32nd Guam Legislature for voting on SBill 1 (4-S) now P. L. 32-68, commonly referred to as the FY '14 Budget Act. The appropriation in the Budget Act to the Guam Festpac Trust account in the amount of $200,000 and a potential collection of an estimated $2 Million of all delinquent Hotel Occupancy Tax revenue due to the Government will definitely assist the Festpac Committee in achieving its $13 Million Operating Budget, of which $5 Million cash support is being requested from the Government of Guam.

Currently, the eleven members of the Festpac Committee as outlined in PL 30-83 have been meeting regularly since April 2011 and I can proudly report that plans for 12th Festival on Guam in 2016 are progressing well. At the Committee's regular meeting held on July 24, it was discussed and passed unanimously that the addition of the Chairperson of the Committee on Tourism of I Liheslaturan Guahan or its successor; the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or designee; the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or designee; and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or designee be added to the Committee composition. The current Committee feels strongly that the additions will only enhance our ability to put forth the best plan to host 27 Island Nations from the Pacific which will bring to our shores an estimated 3,500 delegates. The talent and resources of these proposed members will be most welcome.

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Continuing in this spirit, we recently met with First Lady Christine Calvo who graciously accepted the Committee's request to be Honorary Chairperson for the 2016 Festival. We are pleased and look forward to working with First Lady Calvo and the additional members outlined in this bill.

In closing, it is my experience when executing regional and international events with high protocol demands, success and smooth implementation of Guam's hosting could not be possible without the involvement and cooperation of all sectors of our island. Bill 179 will assist in accomplishing this goal. We ask that the 32nd Guam Legislature support Bill 179 and immediately seek passage at the next regularly scheduled Legislative Session.

Thank you for your time. Please feel free to contact me directly at 482-9231 or by email if you or any member of your Committee require more information.

Un Dankalu Na Saina Ma'ase,

THERESA C. ARRIOLA
Chairperson

Cc: Members, 2016 Festpac Coordinating Committee

Testimony In Support of Bill 179-32

Submitted by Monica Guzman, Chair, Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities (CAHA)

Hafa Adai and Good Morning!

Håfa Iyo-ta, Håfa Guinahå-ta, Håfa Ta Påtte, Dinanña' Sunidon Bos Siha Gi Iya Pasifiku
What We Own, What We Have, What We Share, United Voices of the Pacific

This is the theme of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts in Guam. It is very inclusive and speaks to the intent of Bill 179-32; bringing all sectors of the community together to plan and welcome our Pacific Island neighbors to Guam. I am in support of Bill 179-32, which expands the membership of the Coordinating Committee. In 2016, Guam will welcome up to 3500 delegates for the Festival of Pacific Arts from 27 island nations to participate in over 40 different art forms and cultural events over a 14 day period. It will be one of the largest events that Guam will host, second only to the South Pacific Games which Guam hosted in 1975 and again in 1999.

Annually, GVB is tasked with coordinating the Guam Micronesia Island Fair, which includes 20 delegates from 9 island nations for a 3-day event. This effort requires coordination among the government departments and agencies, cooperation and support from the business community and collaboration with our cultural practitioners, entrepreneurs and non-profit organizations. This same effort, multiplied 10x is required for the Festival in 2016.

The inclusion of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Chairperson of the Legislative Committee on Tourism and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas ensures that ALL sectors of our community are engaged in this celebration of culture.

I would like to request that as with the Guam Visitors Bureau, the language in Bill 179-32, Item B, be changed to read:

(b) the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities or his designee;

Currently the bill identifies the Executive Director of CAHA as a member of the Coordinating Committee. Since the reorganization of the Department of Chamorro Affairs (DCA), the Executive Director is the President of DCA, who is already a member of the Committee.

For the past 2 years, as Chair of CAHA, I have been attending the Committee meetings. CAHA has been leading the efforts in gathering our cultural practitioners and artists together in meetings since November 2012, to determine the programming that will be offered during the Festival. The 5 subcommittees formed include the Visual Arts, Literary Arts, Performing Arts, Traditional Arts and Seminars, Workshops and Forums. CAHA is also the lead agency that sits on the Council of Pacific Arts and Culture that oversees the Festival of Pacific Arts. Additionally, we have regular dialogue with the Council, giving them updates on the planning efforts in Guam. For your information, they are very pleased with our progress and look forward to receiving more information as it becomes available.

Additionally, I would like to suggest that in this legislation, the First Lady be included as a voting member of the Coordinating Committee as the Honorary Chair.

Since 1972, Guam has participated in all previous Festivals and many island nations have hosted, housed and welcomed our delegates. It is now our opportunity to welcome our Pacific Island brothers and sisters to our island home. Let us do it in true Chamorro hospitality. Thank you very much and Si Yu'os Ma'ase!



Guam Festival of the Pacific Arts 2016
Programming Committee

Theme

What We Own, What We Have, What We Share,
United Voices of the Pacific

Håfa Iyo-ta, Håfa Guinahå-ta, Håfa Ta Påtte,
Dinanña' Sunidon Bos Siha Gi Iya Pasifiku

Hafa adai!

My name is Kie Susuico. I am an indigenous cultural artist here on Guåhan. I am here to submit my testimony in opposition to Bill 179-32, regarding the inclusion of the Commander of Joint Region Marianas or his designee and the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his designee to the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee.

Bill 179-32 seems like an attempt to showcase a homogenized Guamanian culture rather than truly represent our indigenous Chamoru culture at the 2016 FestPac to be held here on Guåhan. I believe the involvement of the Joint Region Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce will present an image of a Chamoru Nation that is forever dependent on the US and its military forces, rather than Chamorus as a strong Oceanic people.

Throughout Guåhan's history, we can see and feel the devastating impact the US and its military has had on our culture and language. For example, in 1918, the US prohibited Chamoru language and culture in public institutions and government offices. So how can we today allow them to have a say in what Chamorro culture is? I cannot imagine why they would be a part of our cultural celebration.

To me, FestPac is a celebration and sharing of indigenous cultures. As cultural producers and artists of Guåhan, we give our people the ability to imagine our history and identity as the foundation for moving us toward Chamoru self-determination.

I believe that Guåhan can host this cultural event without military involvement, just as Palau did in 2004 and American Samoa in 2008. If they were able to host 27 countries with the humble resources they had, why can't we? Why can't we imagine a more grassroots approach that brings together our community as a whole, including our high school and university students, local businesses and non-governmental organizations to make FestPac 2016 a TRUE success?

Saina ma'åse',



Kie Susuico
Board member, Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru (Guardians of the Chamoru culture)

From: drea Nicole <drea_nicole@yahoo.com>
Date: October 7, 2013, 8:38:02 AM GMT+10:00
To: Senator Cruz <senadotbjcruz@gmail.com>
Subject: Bill 179-32
Reply-To: drea Nicole <drea_nicole@yahoo.com>

October 7, 2013

Hafa adai,

I am writing to you today to submit testimony for Bill 179-32.

While I do support the other choices for Committee Members, I do not understand why the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas would be added. I feel like our hosting this festival for our brothers and sisters of the Pacific is a great honor and is a way to showcase our Chamorro spirit, culture, and artistry. By having the JRM in a decision making position, it will give the impression, to our guests and our own people, that we can't even do this without the military. Are we not getting tired of that? So much of our lives, as indigenous and locals, is affected by military decisions and this festival does not have to be another one of those times.

I understand wanting to be inclusive. So invite the men and women serving in the military to join us as volunteers, participants, not as soldiers, but as individuals living on Guam, as community members. I think that would be a warmer and more natural way to include them.

Please reconsider.

Thank you for your time and work,

Andrea Nicole Grajek
Artist / Illustrator

Chairperson, The Festival of Pacific Arts
Human Development Programme – SPC Headquarters
c/o Ms. Linda Peterson, HDP Manager
Secretariat of the Pacific Community
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October 6, 2013

Hafa adai Honorable Chairperson of The Festival of Pacific Arts,

We are writing to ask for a letter of support from the Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Human Development Programme – Festival of Pacific Arts (FestPac) Committee to ensure that as host of the 2016 FestPac, Guam upholds the intent of FestPac, to "combat the erosion of traditional customary practices" (1972 SPC Governing Conference).

Chamoru Nation, part of a collective of non-profit organizations and NGO's committed to perpetuating and protecting the rights and culture of indigenous Chamorus, humbly requests your Committee shed some light on the politics, history and struggle of the cultural effort of FestPac.

Recently, Bill 179-32 (see attached) was introduced in the 32nd Guam Legislature. This bill proposes to add four additional members to the 2016 Guam FestPac Coordinating Committee. We are deeply concerned that two of the proposed additional members—primarily, the US Commander of the Joint Region Marianas, and secondly, a representative of the Guam Chamber of Commerce—have been and continue to be proponents to increase US military presence in Guam.

As you may know, Guam continues to be a colony of the United States, making it a non-self governing territory under the auspices of the United Nations awaiting decolonization through the act of self-determination. The influence of the US military on our island is so pervasive such that it has become a natural tendency for our "political officials of Guam" to involve the US military in numerous government functions. Bill 179-32 is an example of this.

We are submitting this appeal to SPC FestPac in hopes that you support our opposition to the inclusion of colonial representatives who will be a part of determining what is indigenous Chamoru culture. We would greatly appreciate your support, and ask that you submit your letter of support no later than Monday, October 21, 2013, addressed to Office of Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F Cruz, 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña Guam 96910. It may also be sent via facsimile to (671) 477-2522, or via email to carlo.branch@senatorbjcruz.com.

Dangkolo na Saina ma'åse' (Thank you).

Sincerely,
Chamoru Nation (NGO) et al.
c/o Kie Susuico (kie.as.in.key@gmail.com)

cc: The Honorable Vice Speaker Benjamin J. Cruz, 32nd Guam Legislature

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September 25, 2013

Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Chairperson, Committee on General Government
Operations and Cultural Affairs
I Mina'Trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Hagåtña, Guåhan 96910

Re: Bill No. 179-32 (COR), An act to *amend* P.L. 30-83 relative to the Coordinating Committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

Dear *Senadot* Cruz:

Buenas yan Hafa Adai ginen taotao Barrigada! Vice Mayor Jessie P. Bautista and I, together with members of the Barrigada Municipal Planning Council, hereby submit testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR). FestPac is the largest cultural event in the Pacific held every four years rotating host countries and territories from Polynesia, Melanesia and Micronesia. As we all know, hosting the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts is a major undertaking for Guam that requires communitywide support and participation.

We will encourage all our residents to attend and participate during the activities so they can be accustomed and open minded to the Chamorro language and culture, and be knowledgeable of its history and evolution. *Hami giya Barrigada, bi en eppok todu I taotao mame ya u fanpattesipa gi todu I aktededat siha kosaki u fanyinama I tiningo'-ñiha mas put I haga'-ta yan tumaimanu hit na taotaogues.*

Therefore, passage and enactment of Bill 179-32 (COR) only serves to ensure and bring Guam's plan to host the festival to fruition. More importantly, our visitors and guests will have the opportunity to view Chamorro Arts and Culture at its finest as it is expressed trough song, dance chant, storytelling, and through the skills of our traditional and visual arts. We are confident that through your leadership all participating countries and territories in the Pacific will showcase their cultures for over visitors.

Sinseramente,

JUNE U. BLAS
Mayor

JESSIE P. BAUITISTA
Vice Mayor

cc: Senator Tina R. Muña Barnes
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Subject: Testimony on Bill 179-32
Reply-To: jong671@yahoo.com

Goodmorning Senators,

My name is Jonathan Guerrero and I am here to submit testimony on Bill 179-32.

Last year a friend of mine shared her experiences with me when she attended the 2012 Festival of Pacific Arts. I must say I was envious of her as I listened to her stories. With passion she described the many people she connected with and the amount of learning and growth she felt after. My envy didn't last long because I found out that Guam would be hosting the Festival here in 2016. I was happy I would have the chance to experience what she experienced. I was also filled with pride. I believe Guam has many valuable things to share with our brothers and sisters throughout the pacific.

I look forward to participating in the Festival and also volunteering. I am disappointed however about **a section in Bill 179-32 which proposes to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas** to the coordinating committee of the Festival. I do not see the logic for having a U.S. Military Commander help coordinate a Festival that was created by Pacific communities to re-claim a sense of "self" separate from military and political interventions.

From: Cara Flores-Mays <flores.cara@gmail.com>
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Subject: testimony on Bill 179-32

Hafa Adai Senators,

A short portion of Bill 179-32 proposes to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas to the Coordinating Committee of the Festival. This seems a minor detail in the grand scheme of planning but I do hope that you'll reconsider for the following reasons.

1. It is locally divisive and completely unnecessary.
2. It is controversial, not just here in Guam, but across the Pacific. Many islanders have suffered and continue to suffer from military activities - the nuclear testing in the Marshalls, contamination of land, taking of land, etc. Whether one is compassionate towards those experiences or not, we have invited and will be hosting people who continue to suffer. It is insensitive and unnecessary.
3. FESTPAC was created ***as a means to stem erosion of traditional cultural practices.*** Even if you want to argue that the military administration has not voluntarily/involuntarily contributed to the erosion of our cultural practices, it does not make sense to include an entity whose goals are completely disaligned with the intentions of FESTPAC.
4. It is disempowering to our cultural community. I believe in the abilities of our people to present and preserve our culture to the rest of the Pacific.
5. If Guam really can't host FESTPAC without the help of the military administration, then, perhaps, we shouldn't host FESTPAC at all!
6. It prevents our service men and women from truly connecting to the culture of FESTPAC. If its in any way related to their job to be there, then it isn't a volunteer experience. Our service men and women should be allowed to volunteer for something related to culture and community without it having any connection to their job.
7. It perpetuates the hegemony that as a community, we aren't smart enough or able enough to do it on our own. We need someone from the Continental United States to show us how because they can always do it better.
8. FESTPAC is inclusive. Everyone is invited to attend. But the indigenous communities represented at FESTPAC are responsible for protecting and guarding our culture and traditions. The committee should be composed of members who are highly familiar with our culture and traditions and are clearly committed to those things, above all else.
9. We can be inclusive without giving away committee seats. Is the military community more important than the filipino community? than the LGBT community? than the korean and palauan and yapese and japanese communities? If we are giving away committee seats to be inclusive than we must be very careful to be inclusive of EVERYONE.

Thank you for your consideration.

Cara

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Tessa Weidenbacher <tessa@senatorbjcruz.com>

Fwd: Regarding Bill 179-32

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Subject: Regarding Bill 179-32

Hafa Adai Senators,
I am submitting testimony against the inclusion of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his Designee in the Festival of Pacific Arts 2014. It is disheartening to have such military presence involved in what should be a venue that promotes cultural revival and decolonization of mind and heart. It is contradictory to me to host a peaceful celebration of Pacific nations, peoples and their independant cultures and then to invite the very country that perpetrates injustice on our Chamoru people (because of their military strategy in some future or current war) – the country that heads our colonization. Why would they need to be involved? To squelch our exuberance in the freedom of expressing ourselves culturally? To protect us from the countries that will come to participate? It sends the wrong message completely. This is not an event for subjugation or war or war-like thinking or war-like logistics. This is a peaceful event to foster our relationship with our Pacific brothers and sisters and to showcase the resilience of our culture (resilient despite hundreds of years of colonization, currently under the U.S.). Please consider the message that is being sent with the participation of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his Designee in FESTPAC 2014. Let our people be proud of what they can accomplish without a "military escort".

Si Yu'os Ma'ase,

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To: Honorable Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Chairman
Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs
32nd Guam Legislature

From: President
Department of Chamorro Affairs

Date: October 7, 2013
Subject: **Testimony on Bill No. 179-32 (COR)**

Håfa Adai Mr. Chairman and Members to the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs.

I am here today in full support of **Bill No. 179-32 (COR), AN ACT TO AMEND P.L. 30-38 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF THE PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.**

The full membership of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee has been meeting for a little over two (2) years now. Mr. Chairman, you and the rest of our current membership have continued to fully participate in these developmental meetings; and, your oversight committee has made specific recommendations for additional stakeholder participation to our existing makeup of Committee membership.

The proposed addition of four (4) organizations is very much reflective of the need to further collaborate with our communities and organizations, thus ensuring the inclusion of partnerships. The eventual success of Guam's sponsoring the 2016 Festival of the Pacific Arts is best postured with the right mix of Individials and organizations within our Coordinating Committee.

I would like to further propose by way of recommendation four (4) additional members: *(m) the Director of the Guam Department of Agriculture or his/her designee; (n) the Director of the Department of Public Works or his/her designee; (o); Guam's Point of Contact for the Secretariat of the Pacific Communities and (p) the General Manager of the Antonio Borja Wonpat Guam International Airport Authority or his/her designee.*

These additional members recommended, although are clearly from the Executive Branch, nonetheless are major stakeholders to the 2016 Festival of the Pacific Arts, and must be engaged formally in our committee. The tantamount responsibilities of providing produce and food items for our thousands of guests, the capital improvement projects that may be involved in creating venues, the communiqué and essential protocol of the SPC, and the robust activities entailing transportation…will all require immediate attention and tasking within our Committee. Having these four additional members postures immediate attention and action as we continue to deliberate and plan for successes of Guam's FESTPAC 2016. I kindly urge your Committee to consider the inclusion of these four additional members, representing vital entities with the Government of Guam, to the Coordinating Committee.

JOSEPH ARTERO-CAMERON

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January 28, 2014

MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**

Subject: **Supplement to Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

Hafa Adai!

Transmitted herewith is a memo from Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Chairperson, Committee on General Governmental Operations and Cultural Affairs, forwarding Attachments for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Please include this memo and the attachment as a "Supplemental" to the Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Please make the appropriate indication in your records; and forward to MIS for posting on our website. I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan.*

Si Yu'os Ma'ase'!

cc: Legal Counsel
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January 28, 2014

Memorandum

To: Senator Respicio Committee on Rules, Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, Human & Natural Resources, and Election Reform

From: Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Chairman, Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

Subject: ***Supplemental Testimony for Bill No. 179-32 (COR)***

Hafa Adai! Please be advised that I have received supplemental testimony for Bill No. 179-32 (COR) attached herewith. It would be greatly appreciated if the documents were included as a supplement to the committee report for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Thank you for your time and kind consideration of this request.

Fanohge Guåhan

Recipient:

Letter: Greetings,

I say, "NO," to the addition of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas and the Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce (who lobbies for the hypermilitarization of Guam) as official, decision-making members of the Guam 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

Demilitarize and decolonize the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts.

Comments

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Jonathan Diaz	Tot Barrigada, GU	2013-10-21	Pot hafa Na reason? Maolekña at Decolonize fineness
Joseph Certeza	Agana, Guam	2013-10-21	It protects the the true nature of our indigenous culture on Guam.
Lucas Storts	Tamuning, GU	2013-10-21	The military has no business being involved in the planning nor execution of this event. Neither do the business interests of Tourism... If they have their say this event will be rampant with cheap chinese made goods that have no bearing or significance to any cultures represented.
Micky Huihui	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-21	Hasn't the US military done enough damage to the Spirit of Te Moana Nui?!!!
Lani Bordallo	Guam, Guam	2013-10-21	This event has nothing to do with the military and everything to do with "sharing" of cultural traditions of the indegenous peoples of Oceania... of which they know nothing about. "Taking" is the only thing they know.
cecily bishop	Kent, WA	2013-10-21	Keep the military and their assigns OUT of local celebrations! They've done more harm than good and are not welcomed!
dakota camacho	Madison, WI	2013-10-21	The Festival of the Pacific Arts is a response to the Military's destruction of our cultures, languages, and lands. If the military wants to participate in the festival planning, they can clean up the over a hundred toxic dumpsites on they have put on our Island, so we don't have to welcome our Oceanic family to a land of pollution.
Leonard Leon	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-21	Because I believe that a Cultural aevent, or any affair for that matter, is not a place for the u.s. military to hold a Voice. This is an Indigenous space to VOICE themselves through art and every decisions made should be by the cultures hosting the event, or participating in the events. Being american is not a cultural identity. This event is not about being an american, it's about the Pacific.
Erwin Bordallo	Tamuning, Guam	2013-10-21	So that the Arts can expand in a more open and free way.
Ronald T. Laguana	Mangilao, Guam	2013-10-21	INDIGENOUS RIGHTS IS STRAIGHT AND CLEAR. COLONIZERS ARE WHY WE FIGHT FOR POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE AND OUR CULTURAL FREEDOM!
Yuji Ankei	Yamaguchi-shi, Japan	2013-10-21	As an inhabitant of the Japonesia, we share the sea with these Peace-making peoples.
Hannah Middleton	Sydney, Australia	2013-10-22	Arts are life affirming; the military is death-dealing. Violence and war do not solve problems or help build a civilised and sustainable future. THERE MUST BE NO INTRUSION OF THE MILITARY INTO ARTISTIC ENDEAVOURS OF ANY KIND. Guahan is already an overmilitarised island with massive contamination, water and sewage disposal problems. It should not be further militarised.
Vani Catanasiga	Suva, Fiji	2013-10-22	Presence of military affects Pacific islanders ability to participate in a safe sapce
Patricia Blair	Hawaii, AL	2013-10-22	I support freedom for these Islands.
Kie Susuico	Guahan, Guam	2013-10-22	FestPac is a celebration of indigenous cultures in Oceania. Why would we let people who deny us our freedom have a say in who we are and what our culture is. Since 1895 the u.s. has been practicing cultural terrorism against CHamorus through radical dispossession. FREE GUAHAN and Free FestPac 2016.
Sus Shawhan	Waimanalo, HI	2013-10-22	Art and Pacific Islanders deserve respect! No military control; no global corporate control.

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Jacqueline Cruz	Dededo, GU	2013-10-22	preservation of culture and history
Vincent Camacho	Sedro Woolley, WA	2013-10-22	this has NOTHING to do with the military of ANY nation.....it is about OUR nations.....OUR Culture.....
sinahi sinahi	Hafatna, Gu, Guam	2013-10-22	It is a time to GO INDIGENOUS SUPPORT INDIGENOUS!
George Lujan	Dededo, Guam	2013-10-22	Militarism's creeping footprint should NOT be allowed any more space in any land, ocean, sky, 'space', heart or mind. It should 'stay within its current footprint' and work more on returning everything it claims to own back to their indigenous owners. Demilitarize EVERYTHING. Start with Bill 179-32.
Raphael Unpingco	Sinajana, Guam	2013-10-22	the military wasn't there with us in any prior fest pac, nor do they need to be at any future Fest. Pac.. it was a life choice for many on Guam yes, but they are as much members of the community as Spain was in the 1600's. I fail to see how we can even consider sharing with our guests the art of killing for conquering. Dispensa.
Lynyrd Puyat	Seattle, WA	2013-10-22	I don't support the militarization of the Marianas. There are many local concerns that need to be resolved. Pagan is a huge concern.
Moneka de Oro	Mangilao, GU	2013-10-22	The festival was created to celebrate our pacific heritage. Military forces on Guahan have historically and presently degraded Chamoru culture. (from banning the speaking of our language, discouraging the use of native traditional healing and denying access to sacred lands.) As islanders who at a drop of a dime can plan a party/bbq and are renowned for our hospitality we must have pride and faith in ourselves to host FestPac independent of the world's most deliberate force of hegemony. f
baltazar bell	Tamuning, Guam	2013-10-22	I am concerned about my culture.
Daylon Cottingham	Tianjin, China	2013-10-22	An injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. Not to mention the fact that the destruction of indigenous cultures will be the destruction of the preservation of the human race.
Anthony J.P. Ada	ILIG, Yona, Guam	2013-10-22	This amendment is defective in that it allows for a designee. And it doesn't apply the litmus test of being ACTIVE in the promotion of our culture through the arts. You allow for a designee and you will get a long roll of red tape to get any support. They will only attend to show face and make lame excuses like "I need to check with my boss" or "I have to bring it before my group". They don't need to be part of the planning to support the main reason for this event. This event will mean nothing to them unless it will bring a faster warship of a overflowing cash register.
Anthony J.P. Ada	ILIG, Yona, Guam	2013-10-22	Are they ACTIVE in the promotion of the Arts on Guam? The bill is defective because it allows for a designee. Of course, the designee will be sent because the heads would be too busy for something as trivial as culture. Unless it means getting a faster ship or larger cash register.
Nick Deane	Sydney, Australia	2013-10-23	Keep the military at bay!
Bob Bordallo	New York, NY	2013-10-23	As often as "art" is experimental and seemingly distasteful and blasphemous to some observers, "art" usually points to issues that involve the human condition. Oftentimes, "art" exposes the brokenness of the political status quo, which in our world increasingly involves militarization. How free is the artist to comment on the military state when s/he is being monitored by that military state?
Vanessa Warheit	san francisco, CA	2013-10-23	The US military has nothing to do with Pacific art & culture and should have no authority over this important, peaceful gathering.

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Donna Hutchinson	Seattle, WA	2013-10-23	The indigenous people have a right to a peaceful festival without the interference of the military.
Denis Doherty	Surry Hills, Australia	2013-10-23	We need a demilitarise pacific not a pivot!
Joe Babauta	Hagat, Guam	2013-10-23	When was " CULTURE " added in any oath?
Paul O'toko	Weno, Chuuk FSM, Micronesia, Federated States of	2013-10-23	We dont have any enemies that need killing nor defending our selves from. We had histories of destructions by Foreign Bullies & Intruders who came and did their childish problem solving, in our homes, feeding grounds n boundaries, by killing and destroying our people and habitats, indiscriminately. We are still poisoned and made poor by the past wars USA had in our boundaries...and the Atomic Bombs USA Detonate in our habitats...which USA is not willing to take responsibility for, even today. We are looked down upon coming to USA claimed territories, after being destroyed and poisoned by USA Military Strategic Activities in our Moana Nui...Micronesian, in particular. .
Noelani Goodyear-Kaopua	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-24	The Festival of Pacific Arts should be a safe space for artists of Oceania to come together and share. Given the violence that militarization and tourism have often caused in our islands, the inclusion of military leadership in particular does not foster a sense of free and safe expression for artists. What the heck does the military have to do with arts anyway?
Mary Baker	Waimanalo, HI	2013-10-24	The Pacific Festival of the Arts is about peace and sharing not military and commerce.
Dawn Perez	Yona, Guam	2013-10-26	The Festival of Pacific Arts is a celebration of our native cultures....we are here to gather as pacific brothers and sisters, not enemies....there is no threat, just a gathering of our cultural families....the military does not need to be present. We don't need to be dictated to when we're simply celebrating who we are as Pacific Islanders.
Kathy Ferguson	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-26	Despite years of pretending to the contrary, the military is not "just another neighbor" - it is the representative and the instrument of dispossession. I do not think that the Festival's purpose is to either legitimate or celebrate dispossession.
Manuel Deguzman	Barrigada, Guam, Guam	2013-10-27	FREE GUAHAN and Free FestPac 2016
Abraham Eldads	Vanuatu, Vanuatu	2013-10-31	I believe introduction of other cultures to this invaluable event can negatively affect our cultures over the coming years.
David Palaita	San Francisco, CA	2013-11-01	KEEP OCEAN IN OCEAN HANDS!
Andrew Grahaam	Sydney, Australia	2013-11-05	Militarism, particularly in its US interventionist form, threatens everyone's peace and prosperity in the Asia/Pacific.

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Jacob Perez	Tumon, Guam	2013-11-06	Indigenous Peoples and Cultures are what makes this world thrive with all their healing from (non-GMO) organic foods, water and medicines known to cure any and all illnesses. I stand for the everlasting growth of Indigenous Cultures/Peoples' knowledge, wisdom and healing which militarization of any kind destroys and controls/enslaves. We are the 'minority' but don't forget the 'minority' of all Indigenous Peoples is the "Majority" and "Majority Rules" again and again. I stand peacefully and assertively to keep my and all Indigenous Heritages alive and thriving without militarization or political propaganda. Decolonization and demilitarizaton of our '12th Festival of Pacific Arts' is and will always be possible as long as the descendants of these beautiful and 'powerful-beyond-belief' Indigenous Cultures/Peoples AND our Allies continue to breathe, eat, drink, teach, dance, sing, chant, share, heal, protect, respect and love ourselves, each other and the world for as long as we are alive in body but, most importantly, in spirit which will always be eternal. "We are jungle-generations reaching through the concrete. Every species that we save, saves our own from being extinct." JMP (for "MINA")
Brian San Nicolas	lakewood, WA	2013-12-11	Equality
David Topasna	Mangilao, Guam	2014-01-07	Preservation
Luis Mesngon Jr	Toto, Guam	2014-01-07	I believe it will be disrespectful to my culture, ancestors, families, friends, even further generations to come. There's so of the past glued to this site that it shouldn't be removed or changed.
Teresia Teaiwa	Wellington, New Zealand	2014-01-08	Hafa adai! I have signed this petition because I believe the U.S. military has no constructive role to play in organizing the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts to be held in Guam in 2016 since it has been a negative force in the continuation and revitalization of indigenous Chamorro cultural and economic practices in Guam as a result of its occupation of 1/3 of the island and its recent attempts to expand its territory, proposing to destroy vital terrestrial and marine sites of ecological and cultural significance in the process. Any organization that prioritizes military expansion over the long-term health and well-being of indigenous Chamorros has no business organizing the Festival of Pacific Arts either. As an academic who has studied the militarization of the Pacific Islands region, I encourage US military troops based on Guam and the Guam Chamber of Commerce to participate in the Festival as active learners. Pacific people have much to teach the world about sustainable living and the value of respect for both people and the environment in the age of climate change. Saina ma'ase.
Mokalagi Tamapeau	Wellington, New Zealand	2014-01-08	demiiiaitarize and decolonise the Pacific to restore guardianship to the indigenous.
Danny Butt	Auckland, New Zealand	2014-01-08	Despite the English-language saying, war is not an art worth the name.
susanne dr. kuehling	regina, Canada	2014-01-08	The military doesn't deserve being part of this festival.
Maria Rova	Nadi, Fiji	2014-01-09	The Festival needs to retain it's grassroots nature and remain free of agendas other than promoting the indigenous arts and cultures of the Pacific!
Maria Baza	Yona, Guam	2014-01-09	I am from Guam and Palau. I am against anyone who wishes to sacrifice our culture at the expense of the dollar. Who's with me?

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Robert Hunter	Staten Island, NY	2014-01-10	Why would you want to have the catalyst (the US military and its bases on Guam) responsible for the denial of the rights of the indigenous people of Guam, in particular the denial of a long overdue plebiscite to determine their political status and destiny, play any role at all in the planning of a festival celebrating and honoring Pacific people, and their heritage, culture, traditional knowledge, art and craft? Why would you want an entity that operates on Guam without the permission of the indigenous people of Guam, that use Guam soil and resources and propagates and enforces rules that deny Chamorros and other Guam residents access to resources, and that continues to move to take further resources, playing any role whatsoever in a festival whose purpose is to honor Pacific heritage, culture and art? Why on Earth would one want to denigrate themselves and the spirit of the Festival of Pacific Arts and Cultures (FESTPAC) like that? There are the larger Pacific issues as well, like the state of the people of the Marshalls who were taken advantage of to accommodate atomic testing and continue to get the sharp end of the federal shaft, and issues with the threat to marine life posed by military vessels, the use of islands for bomb practice and current moves to destroy further islands (like Pagan) with more bombing ranges, etc. I take this personally as I am an artist. I am also a Micronesian, an artist-delegate, a delegation organizer and delegation leader for previous FESTPACs, a former member of the Pacific Arts Council, a former president of what was the CNMI's largest visual arts guild Arts Inc., the Vice-Chair of the Consortium of Pacific Arts and Cultures, the former Executive Director of the Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, and as a former art teacher and Arts Program Coordinator for the CNMI Public School System. While I am not opposed to the Guam Chamber playing a role on the organizing committee, as local business surely has a role in facilitating the festival, I am wholly opposed to the participation of military representation on a coordinating committee of a Pacific cultural and arts festival. Of course we all want every segment of the community including military personnel and their families to be included and feel welcome, as is the Pacific way… you do that by sending them a schedule of the events and activities along with a kind invitation to attend.
Guillaume Colombani	French Polynesia	2014-01-10	Army has no place at all in a Festival dedicated to Arts !
Jenny Fraser	Brisbane, Australia	2014-01-13	doesnt have to be a culture war
Jeannette Hereniko	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-13	I am well aware of the uniqueness of the Festival of Pacific Arts to empower indigenous Pacific Islanders. Although I am not one, my world is enriched by knowing that they are free of military pressures in organizing the Festival. Pacific Islanders from Guam have made it clear that they do not want a military representative, and I feel strongly they should be listened to and prevail in this issue. Thank you for your attention to this important issue of representation and empowerment.
Yvonne Undehill-Sem	Auckland, New Zealand	2014-01-19	The tentacles of the military industrial complex cannot be left to wander into spaces which fundamentally work for high levels of humanity

Fanohge Guåhan

Recipient: Honorable Senators and Coordinating Committee Members - 12th Festival of Pacific Arts

Letter: Greetings,

I say, "NO," to the addition of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas and the Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce (who lobbies for the hypermilitarization of Guam) as official, decision-making members of the Guam 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

Demilitarize and decolonize the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts.

Signatures

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October 17, 2013

Memorandum

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Fiscal Notes /Waivers**

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Hafa Adai!

Attached please find the waiver for the bill numbers listed below. Please note that the fiscal notes, or waivers, are issued on the bills as introduced.

FISCAL NOTES:
Bill No. 167-32(LS)
Bill No. 186-32(COR)
Bill No. 192-32(COR)
Bill No. 205-32(COR)

WAIVERS:
Bill No. 179-32(COR)
Bill No. 198-32(COR)

Please forward the same to MIS for posting on our website. Please contact our office should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Si Yu'os ma'åse'!

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Hafa Adai Senator Respicio:

Transmitted herewith is Fiscal Note on the following Bill Nos.: **167-32(LS), 186-32(COR), 192-32(COR), 205-32(COR) and** Fiscal Note Waiver on the following Bill Nos.: **179-32(COR), and 138-32(COR).**

If you have any question(s), please do not hesitate to call the office at 475-9412/9106.

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cc: Senator Vicente (ben) Pangelinan



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The Bureau requests that Bill No. 179-32 (COR) be granted a waiver pursuant to Public Law 12-229 as amended for the following reason(s):

The Bill is administrative in nature in that it proposes to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts' Coordinating Committee. The proposed legislation seeks to add four (4) additional designees to the aforementioned Committee to include one (1) additional member each from the Guam Legislature, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association and the Joint Region Marianas.

Based on the foregoing, there is no fiscal impact posed by the subject legislation.

JOHN A. RIOS

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September 6, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 179-32(COR)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

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Attachment

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REVISED - First Notice of Public Hearing – Five Day Notice – October 7, 2013

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September 30, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members/All Senators

From: Chairman, Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

Re: First Notice of Public Hearing – Five Day Notice – October 7, 2013

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Second Notice of Public Hearing – Two Day Notice – October 7, 2013

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October 3, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members/All Senators

From: Chairman, Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

Re: Second Notice of Public Hearing – Two Day Notice – October 7, 2013

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Nasion CHamoru questions inclusion of JRM in FestPac committee

TUESDAY, 08 OCT 2013 03:00AM BY LOUELLA LOSINIO | VARIETY NEWS STAFF HITS: 451

SHARE

THE activist group Nasion CHamoru yesterday questioned the inclusion of the Commander of Joint Region Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce in the coordinating committee for the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts during a public hearing held yesterday.

The Legislature's committee on general government operations chaired by Vice Speaker Benjamin Cruz convened a public hearing on several bills including Bill 179, which expands the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts to be held in 2016.

Speaker Judith Won Pat and Sen. Tina Muña-Barnes co-sponsored the bill.

Cruz, who authored Bill 179, said the coordinating committee has recommended that the legislation setting the composition of the committee be amended to include the chairpersons of the Legislative Committee on Tourism, the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his/her designee, Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association, and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his/her designee.



The Festival of Pacific Arts is a traveling festival hosted every four years by a different country in Oceania and the Pacific, including Guam. Variety file photo

Kie Susuico, an indigenous artist who spoke on behalf of Nasion CHamoru, said Bill 179 "seems like an attempt to showcase a homogenized Guamanian culture rather than truly represent our indigenous Chamorro culture at the 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts."

"I believe that the involvement of Joint Regional Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce would present an image of a Chamorro nation that is forever dependent on the U.S. and its military forces rather than Chamorros as a strong Oceanic people," he said in his testimony.

Impact

Susuico said the devastating impact of the U.S. and the military on Chamorro culture and language can be seen throughout Guam's history, questioning, "How can we today, allow them to have a say on what Chamorro culture is?"

He said Guam can host the event without military involvement, citing Palau in 2004 and American Samoa in 2008 as examples.

"Why can't we imagine a more grassroots approach that will bring our community as a whole, including our high school and university students, local businesses, and non-government organizations to make FestPact 2016 a true success," he said.

Meanwhile, Selina Onedera-Salas also offered oral testimony, emphasizing that the Festival of Pacific Arts was intended for Pacific Islanders from Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia to come together to attempt to combat the erosion of traditional customary practices through the expression of culture and arts.

"The gathering was designed to provide an open and safe space to share and learn about the experiences of our island sisters and brothers as well as for us to learn more about ourselves as a Pacific community," she said.

Although she does not agree that hosting the festival should be viewed as a commercially driven opportunity or should be commercially advertised, she said she understands why the chairpersons of the Chambers of Commerce as well as the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association would be added to the coordinating committee.

"What I am most concerned with is the intent to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas. The inclusion of this position will demonstrate and perpetuate the idea that Guam is incapable of hosting the event of this magnitude without the assistance and employment of the military personnel in an official decision-making capacity," she said.

Support

Monica Okada Guzman, chairperson of the Guam Council of the Arts and Humanities, said the theme of the festival: "What We Own, What We Have, What We Share, United Voices of the Pacific," is very inclusive and speaks to the intent of Bill 179, which is to bring all sectors of the community together to plan and welcome Pacific island neighbors to Guam.

Expressing her support for the bill, she said in 2016 Guam will welcome up to 3,500 delegates from 27 island nations to participate in more than 40 different art forms and cultural events over a 14-day period.

"It will be the largest event Guam will host second only to the South Pacific Games which Guam hosted in 1975 and again in 1999," she said, stressing that the inclusion of the commander of Joint Region Marianas and other representatives will ensure all sectors of the community are engaged in the celebration of culture.

Theresa Cruz Arriola, FestPac 2016 chairwoman, also expressed support for the measure, saying the committee feels strongly that the current additions would enhance Guam's ability to put forth the best plan to host the delegates who will be coming over for the festival.

"It is my experience that with executing regional and international events with high protocol demands, success and the smooth implementation of Guam's hosting could not be possible without the involvement and cooperation of all sectors of our island. The measure would assist in accomplishing this goal," she said.

Guam is preparing to host the 12th festival, which has been held every four years since 1972. The festival brings together artists and cultural practitioners from around the Pacific region for two weeks of festivity.

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October 17, 2013

Memorandum

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Fiscal Notes /Waivers**

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Hafa Adai!

Attached please find the waiver for the bill numbers listed below. Please note that the fiscal notes, or waivers, are issued on the bills as introduced.

FISCAL NOTES:
Bill No. 167-32(LS)
Bill No. 186-32(COR)
Bill No. 192-32(COR)
Bill No. 205-32(COR)

WAIVERS:
Bill No. 179-32(COR)
Bill No. 198-32(COR)

Please forward the same to MIS for posting on our website. Please contact our office should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Si Yu'os ma'åse'!

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Hafa Adai Senator Respicio:

Transmitted herewith is Fiscal Note on the following Bill Nos.: **167-32(LS), 186-32(COR), 192-32(COR), 205-32(COR) and** Fiscal Note Waiver on the following Bill Nos.: **179-32(COR), and 138-32(COR).**

If you have any question(s), please do not hesitate to call the office at 475-9412/9106.

JOHN A. RIOS
Director

Enclosures
cc: Senator Vicente (ben) Pangelinan

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The Bureau requests that Bill No. 179-32 (COR) be granted a waiver pursuant to Public Law 12-229 as amended for the following reason(s):

The Bill is administrative in nature in that it proposes to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts' Coordinating Committee. The proposed legislation seeks to add four (4) additional designees to the aforementioned Committee to include one (1) additional member each from the Guam Legislature, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association and the Joint Region Marianas.

Based on the foregoing, there is no fiscal impact posed by the subject legislation.

JOHN A. RIOS

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September 24, 2013

VIA E-MAIL
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John A. Rios
Director
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RE: Request for Fiscal Notes– Bill Nos. 177-32(COR) through 180-32(COR); 184-32(COR) through 186-32(COR); and 188-32(COR) through 193-32(COR)

Hafa Adai Mr. Rios:

Transmitted herewith is a listing of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan's* most recently introduced bills. Pursuant to 2 GCA §9103, I respectfully request the preparation of fiscal notes for the referenced bills.

Si Yu'os ma'åse' for your attention to this matter.

Very Truly Yours,

Rory J. Respicio

Senator Rory J. Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Attachments (1)

Cc: Clerk of the Legislature

Bill Nos.	Sponsor	Title
177-32 (COR)	Vicente (ben) C. Pangelinan, Michael F.Q. SanNicolas, Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., T. R. Muña Barnes, Frank B. Aguon, Jr., B.J.F. Cruz, R.J. Respicio	AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATIONSOF THE EXECUTIVE, LEGISLATIVE, AND JUDICIAL BRANCHES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014; MAKING OTHER APPROPRIATIONS; AND ESTABLISHING MISCELLANEOUS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.
178-32 (COR)	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Tina R. Muna Barnes D.G. Rodriguez, Jr., Rory J. Respicio, Michael F.Q. San Nicolas Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Tommy Morrison	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE REMAINING FUNDS ESCHEATED TO THE GENERAL FUND PRIOR TO END OF FISCAL YEAR 2013, PURSUANT TO §21116 OF CHAPTER 21, DIVISION 2, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZED TO USE AS A LOCAL REQUIREMENT FOR THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.
179-32 (COR)	B.J.F. Cruz T.R. Muña-Barnes J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D	AN ACT TO AMEND P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12THFESTIVALOF PACIFIC ARTSOF 2016.
180-32 (COR)	B.J.F. Cruz T. C. Ada	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 30102(a) OF CHAPTER 30, TITLE 5 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO REQUIRE AGENCIES PERMITTED TO RETAIN COUNSEL OTHER THAN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, TO HIRE UNCLASSIFIED, IN-HOUSE COUNSEL.
184-32 (COR)	Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D., V. Anthony Ada, Brant T. McCreadie, Tommy Morrison, Michael T. Limtiaco, Chris M.Dueñas	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS ($3,000,000) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 31-29.
185-32 (COR)	Michael T. Limtiaco, Brant T. McCreadie, V. Anthony Ada, Chris M.Dueñas, Tommy Morrison, Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.,	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF FOUR HUNDRED FORTY NINE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN DOLLARS ($449,119) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO PURCHASE VEHICLES FOR THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT.
186-32 (COR)	Tommy Morrison, Brant T. McCreadie, V. Anthony Ada, Chris M.Dueñas, Michael T. Limtiaco, Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.,	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS ($3,000,000) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE GUAM FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.

188-32 (COR)	T.R. MUÑA Barnes, B. J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 80.50 TO ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 80, TITLE 9 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED KNOWN AS THE JUSTICE SAFETY VALVE ACT OF 2013 RELATIVE TO EMPOWERING THE COURTS OF GUAM TO DEPART FROM APPLICABLE MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES UNDER SPECIFIC CONDITIONS, ANDFOROTHER PURPOSES.
189-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	AN ACT TO FACILITATE THE RECRUITMENT OF HARD-TO-FILL ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS, BY AMENDING §6229.14 OF CHAPTER 6, 4 GCA, AND SUBSECTION (a) OF § 12805, ARTICLE 8, CHAPTER 12, PART 1, 10 GCA.
190-32 (COR)	B J.F. Cruz, Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 28 TO DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE RESEARCH CORPORATION, UNIVERSITY OF GUAM (RCUOG).
191-32 (COR)	Frank B. Aguon, Jr.	AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW 31-235, RELATIVE TO THE WOMEN'S REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH INFORMATION ACT OF 2012.
192-32 (COR)	B J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 64.15, § 64.16, AND § 64.17 TO CHAPTER 64 OF TITLE 9 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; RELATIVE TO THE PROHIBITION AND FORFEITURE OF ELECTRONIC MACHINES OR DEVICES TO CONDUCT SWEEPSTAKES GAMBLING.
193-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW 31-235 TO DELETE THE PROVISION REQUIRING THE "PRINTED MATERIALS" AND THE "CHECKLIST CERTIFICATION" TO UNDERGO THE RULE MAKING PROCESS PURSUANT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION LAW.

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September 6, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 179-32(COR)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan.*

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

Attachment

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2013 (First) Regular Session

2013 SEP -6 AM 11:40

Bill No. 79-32 (COR)

Introduced by:

B. J.F. Cruz
T.R. Muña-Barnes
J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

AN ACT TO *AMEND* P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Section 3 of P.L. 30-83 is hereby *amended* to read:

"**Section 3. Composition**. The following *shall* constitute the membership of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee (the "Committee"):

(a) The President of the Department of Chamorro Affairs;

(b) the Executive Director of the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency;

(c) three (3) members, to be appointed by *I Maga'lahen* (the Governor), representing the organizations active in the promotion of the arts on Guam;

(d) a member of the Mayors Council of Guam, appointed by the President of the Mayors Council;

(e) two (2) members of *I Liheslatura*, to be appointed by the Speaker, who may designate himself;

(f) the Chairperson of the Committee on Cultural Affairs of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* or its successor;

(g) the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Guam Visitors Bureau or his designee; ~~and~~

(h) the Speaker of the Guam Youth Congress or his designee;

(i) the Chairperson of the Committee on Tourism of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* or its successor;

(j) the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his designee;

(k) the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or his designee; and

(l) the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his designee."

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN

2014 (SECOND) Regular Session

Voting Sheet

Speaker Antonio R. Unipingco Legislative Session Hall
February 1, 2014

Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
As substituted by the Committee on General Government Operations & Cultural Affairs

NAME	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent
Senator Thomas "Tom" C. ADA	✓				
Senator V. Anthony "Tony" ADA	✓				
Senator Frank Blas AGUON Jr.	✓				
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. CRUZ	✓				
Senator Christopher M. DUENAS	✓				
Senator Michael LIMTIACO	✓				
Senator Brant McCREADIE	✓				
Senator Thomas "Tommy" MORRISON	✓				
Senator Tina Rose MUÑA BARNES	✓				
Senator Vicente (ben) Cabrera PANGELINAN	✓				
Senator Rory J. RESPICIO	✓				
Senator Dennis G. RODRIGUEZ, Jr.	✓				
Senator Michael F. Q.SAN NICOLAS	✓				
Speaker Judith T. WON PAT, Ed.D.	✓				
Senator Aline A. YAMASHITA, Ph.D.	✓				
TOTAL	15				
	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

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January 22, 2014

The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat
Speaker
I Mina' Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
32nd Guam Legislature
155 Hesler Place
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

VIA: The Honorable Rory J Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

RE: Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted

Dear Speaker Won Pat:

Transmitted herewith is the Report of Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

Committee votes are as follows:

5 TO DO PASS
____ TO NOT PASS
2 TO REPORT OUT ONLY
____ TO ABSTAIN
____ TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

Sincerely,

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Chairperson

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted

An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

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January 22, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: **All Members**

FROM: **Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz**
Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

SUBJECT: **Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted**

Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – "An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016."

This report includes the following:

- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest
- Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
- Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Copies of Submitted Testimony & Supporting Documents
- COR Referral of Bill No. 179-32 (COR)
- Fiscal Note Requirement
- Notices of Public Hearing
- Public Hearing Agenda
- Related News Reports

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ

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COMMITTEE VOTING SHEET

Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	SIGNATURE	TO DO PASS	TO NOT PASS	TO REPORT OUT ONLY	TO ABSTAIN	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE
CRUZ, BENJAMIN J.F. Chairperson		✓				
MUÑA BARNES, TINA ROSE Vice-Chairperson						
WON PAT, JUDITH T. Speaker and Ex-Officio Member		✓				
ADA, THOMAS C. Member		✓				
PANGELINAN, C. VICENTE Member						
RESPICIO, RORY J. Member		1-22-14				
RODRIGUEZ, DENNIS G. JR. Member						
SAN NICOLAS, MICHAEL, F.Q. Member 1/22/14		✓		✓		
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ADA, V. ANTHONY Member						
Morrison, Thomas Member				✓		
McCreadie, Brant Member						
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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

I. OVERVIEW

Bill No. 179-32 (COR) was introduced by B.J.F. Cruz, T.R. Muña Barnes, and J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. on **September 6, 2013**, and subsequently referred to the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs on **September 9, 2013**.

The **Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs** convened a public hearing on **Monday**, **October 7, 2013**, at **10:00AM** in the Public Hearing Room *of I Liheslatura.* Among the items on the agenda was Bill No. 179-32 (COR) – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

The public hearing for Bill No. 179-32 (COR) began at 10:27AM and ended at 11:17AM.

Public Notice Requirements

All legal requirements for public notices were met, with requests for publication sent to all media and all Senators on **September 30, 2013**, and **October 3, 2013**, via email. Copies of the hearing notices are appended to the report.

Senators Present

Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, *Chairperson*
Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., *Ex-Officio Member*
Senator Thomas C. Ada, *Member*
Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, *Member*
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr., *Member*
Senator Christopher M. Duenas, *Member*
Senator V. Anthony Ada, *Member*
Senator Michael Limtiaco, *Member*
Senator Thomas Morrison, *Member*
Senator Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D., *Member*

Oral Testimony

*Selina Onederas-Salas
*Joseph Artero-Cameron, *President, Department of Chamorro Affairs*
*Monica Okada Guzman, *Chairperson, Guam Council on the Arts & Humanities*
*Theresa C. Arriola, *Chairperson, 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee*
*Kie Susuico, *Board Member, Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru*

**Also provided written testimony.*

Additional Written Testimony

Andrea Nicole Grajek, *Artist/Illustrator*
Chamoru Nation (*provided by Mr. Susuico*)
Mayor June U. Blas and Vice Mayor Jessie P. Bautista, *Municipality of Barrigada*
Jonathan Guerrero
Cara Flores-Mays
Maria Cristobal

II. TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

Chairman Benjamin J.F Cruz announced Bill No. 179-32 (COR) then gave his comments as the sponsor of the bill:

> "As the community may know, Guam was awarded the honor of hosting the South Pacific Festival of the Arts (FestPac) in 2016—that's barely 30 months away. I know nobody likes to hear that number; it's scary. We're almost at the end of 2013. The Coordinating Committee bas been meeting and it was the Committee's recommendation that the legislation be amended to include the Chairperson of the Committee of Tourism of *I Lehislaturan Guahan* or its successor committee, the Chairperson of the Guam Commerce or his or her designee, the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or his or her designee, and the Commander of Joint Region Marianas (JRM) or his or her designee. So that bill is now up for hearing."

Chairman Cruz acknowledged individuals who signed up to testify and invited them to approach the panel.

Ms. Selina Onederas-Salas read her written testimony (*written testimony appended to this report*). She stated that she supports all inclusions in Bill No. 179-32 (COR) except for the addition of the Commander of JRM to the Coordinating Committee.

Mr. Joseph Artero-Cameron, President of the Department of Chamorro Affairs, began his testimony in Chamorro. Translated in summary, he expressed his support of the bill.

> "This measure is very important because it includes all people in this community. For more than two years I've watched this Committee work to get us where we are. My understanding is not the same as the woman who spoke before me. Our primary concern should be the entire community from wherever you may come. I would not like it if this Committee becomes political; the responsibility of this group is heavy. This is not an issue for politics; this is an issue for our community. The military is a part of the community and they can help us host delegates from 27 island nations. The discussion of excluding the military is distasteful. The intent of this measure is to bring more people in and that is very important. For example, I understand the limitations of the Executive branch but when we were getting ready to go to the Solomon Islands I was told at the airport that we could not bring some delegates because there was

no money. But we failed to understand how important transportation is and that's why we needed these people. More than 3,000 people will arrive on Guam. We went to the Solomon Islands to see how to transport and house FestPac delegates but those who were responsible for observing those aspects of the event were not able to attend the festival. Right now we have no plan as to how to bring in 6,500 pounds of starch and other food needed to feed the delegates. The event will require agencies to coordinate and share their resources. For example, without Public Works being fully involved the success of the whole event may be jeopardized. We need clearer lines of communication between stakeholders. At the last FestPac they had clear lines of communication and points of contact, and these are all things that can be implemented for the 2016 FestPac."

Speaking on behalf of the FestPac Taskforce Committee, **Mr. Artero-Cameron** continued his oral testimony, remarking that the Committee has been meeting for more than two years and its members "know what it takes to move forward." He said that the Committee has been receiving messages from the South Pacific Community that they "are doing great", which puts great pressure on Guam as a community. He stated that he does not concur with Ms. Onederas-Salas statement that this is "a political nightmare," and he welcomes the inclusion of the military in the Coordinating Committee. He supports all the inclusions proposed by Bill No. 179-32 (COR) but he wants to recommend four additional members: the Director of the Guam Department of Agriculture or his or her designee, the Director of the Department of Public Works or his or her designee, Guam's Point of Contact for the Secretariat of the Pacific Communities, and the General Manager of the Guam International Airport Authority or his or her designee.

Ms. Monica Okada Guzman, Chairperson of the Guam Council on the Arts & Humanities (CAHA), greeted the Committee members present and read her written testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR) (*written testimony appended to this report*). She recommends that the inclusion of the Executive Director of CAHA as a member of the Coordinating Committee, be changed to the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of CAHA. Currently, the Executive Director is also the President, who is already included in the Committee. She also recommended the addition of the First Lady as a voting member of the Committee as the Honorary Chairperson.

Chairman Cruz acknowledged that Ms. Guzman has been holding quarterly meetings and that she has been leading the Coordinating Committee. He thanked Ms. Guzman for her efforts.

Ms. Theresa C. Arriola, Chairperson of the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee, read her written testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR) (*written testimony appended to this report*). She stated that she looks forward to working with First Lady Calvo and the additional members proposed by the bill.

Mr. Kie Susuico, Board Member of *Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru* (Guardians of the Chamorro Culture), read his written testimony in opposition to Bill 179-32 (COR) regarding the inclusion of the Commander of JRM and the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce to the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee (*written testimony appended to this report*).

Chairman Cruz thanked Mr. Susuico and acknowledged that it was his motion during the Coordinating Committee meeting to expand the membership. He explained that FestPac is going to be a $13-million endeavor, adding that according to Ms. Arriola's initial estimate, they currently only have $5 million in cash. Chairman Cruz mentioned recent efforts to collect $2.5 million in unremitted Hotel Occupancy Taxes but FestPac might only be able to get $13 million. To provide an example of an expense related to hosting such a festival, he mentioned that a participant of the previous FestPac in the Solomon Islands reported that attendants were provided cellphones for the event. He questioned Mr. Susuico's opposition of the bill and his comprehension of the matter, asking him rhetorically how Guam will be able to raise money for the event without the help of the Guam Chamber of Commerce. Chairman Cruz admitted that his inclusion of the Commander of JRM was based on his experience during the 1999 South Pacific Games (SPG) as Chairperson of Protocol Committee. The SPG participants encountered visa problems and he anticipates similar challenges for the 2016 FestPac. He said that Hawaii, the host of the 2020 FestPac, is now looking at how Guam will handle the immigration issue. He remarked that the military has proven to be very valuable members of the Guam community, actively participating in foster home programs, Special Olympics events, and public school cleanups.

Mr. Susuico responded, comparing the participation of the U.S. military in FestPac planning activities to "having slave owners plan Black History Month." He mentioned that American Samoa did not need military assistance to host their FestPac event.

Chairman Cruz replied that he understands Mr. Susuico's opposition from the perspective of an indigenous member of the community. He reiterated that FestPac is a large and costly endeavor and while previous hosts were able to receive financial assistance from other countries, Guam, as a U.S. territory, is not able to avail of financial help from foreign states. He said that the Guam will have to shoulder all the costs of hosting the event, and the Coordinating Committee needs the Chamber's help to figure out how to raise the necessary funds. He added that the assistance that Guam will receive to host FestPac depends on the volunteer efforts of the entire Guam community.

Speaker Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. remarked that hosting FestPac is larger than individual issues and that the cost required is overwhelming. She said that the expansion of membership of the Coordinating Committee is necessary but she suggested a compromise of adding designations for voting, non-voting members, and ex-officio members. She said that inclusion of more members could make decision-making unruly without the membership designations. She acknowledges that culture

has eroded in Guam. She stated the importance of placing artist practitioners at the center and that all others should help in realizing the success of this event.

Senator Christopher M. Duenas suggested the addition of the Adjutant General of the National Guard, in lieu of the Commander of JRM, to the Coordinating Committee as a voting member. He stated that General has direct contact to the resources of the National Guard. He said that the Chairman's anxiety is warranted because FestPac will need all the help it can get. He concluded his statement in Chamorro, saying he's Chamorro and he respects the men and woman at war right now who are serving to protect Guam.

Senator Michael F.Q. San Nicolas stated that he never perceived inclusion to be antithetical to Chamorro identity or strength. He noted that many Chamorro values are not indigenous to Guam but they have become a part of Chamorro culture. He stated that including more stakeholders into the planning of FestPac would display the strength of the Chamorro culture and that the mentality of inclusion is the right direction for the next generation of Chamorros. He added that Chamorros have embraced many concepts of the colonizers, including capital markets, business, finance, and industry. He credits the specialness of the Chamorro people to their resilience and adaptation. He said he supports the views of the Chairman Cruz and he is not intimidated by the inclusion of the Commander of JRM; rather collaboration with the military would show the continued strength and confidence of the Chamorro people. He recommended that other groups, such as the Women's Chamber, should also be included.

Senator Michael Limtiaco highlighted Mr. Cameron's recommendation, specifically the Director of Department of Agriculture and the Director of the Department of Public Works, and how those additions to the Coordinating Committee would be beneficial to the FestPac event.

Chairman Cruz, on the account that there was no one else present to provide oral testimony, adjourned the public hearing for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on testimony provided at the measure's public hearing, Substitute Bill 179-32 (COR) reflects a single amendment: the addition of the Guam Legislature's Chairperson on Tourism as a member of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

The Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs to which was referred "Bill No. 179-32 (COR) – B.J.F. Cruz / T.R. Muña Barnes / J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D. – An act to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016" hereby submits these findings to *I Mina' Trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan* and reports out Bill No. 179-32 (COR), as Substituted, with a recommendation TO PASS.

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2013 (First) Regular Session

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Bill No. 79-30 (COR)

Introduced by:

B. J.F. Cruz
T.R. Muña-Barnes
J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

AN ACT TO *AMEND* P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Section 3 of P.L. 30-83 is hereby *amended* to read:

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(a) The President of the Department of Chamorro Affairs;

(b) the Executive Director of the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency;

(c) three (3) members, to be appointed by *I Maga'lahen* (the Governor), representing the organizations active in the promotion of the arts on Guam;

(d) a member of the Mayors Council of Guam, appointed by the President of the Mayors Council;

(e) two (2) members of *I Liheslatura*, to be appointed by the Speaker, who may designate himself;

(f) the Chairperson of the Committee on Cultural Affairs of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* or its successor;

(g) the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Guam Visitors Bureau or his designee; ~~and~~

(h) the Speaker of the Guam Youth Congress or his designee;

(i) the Chairperson of the Committee on Tourism of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* or its successor;

(j) the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his designee;

(k) the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or his designee; and

(l) the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his designee."

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2014 (Second) Regular Session

Bill No. 179-32 (COR)

Introduced by: ***As Substituted**
By the Committee on General Government
Operations & Cultural Affairs

B. J.F. Cruz
T.R. Muña-Barnes
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NAME	AGENCY OR ORGANIZATION (IF ANY)	SUPPORT? OPPOSE?	WRITTEN TESTIMONY	ORAL TESTIMONY	CONTACT NUMBER	EMAIL ADDRESS
Selma Onedera-Salas	Self	Support/oppose	✓	✓	477-7415	
JOSEPH A. CAMACHO	GHS	Support	✓	✓	777-5900	
Monica Guzman	CHHA	Support		✓	646-3448	
Mdresa Arriola	2016 FestPac	support	✓			

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KIE SUSUICO			✓			

Oga'an minagof giya hamyo. My name is Selina Onedera-Salas, and I am here to submit testimony on Bill 179-32.

According to the website for the South Pacific Community, the Festival of Pacific Arts was intended for Pacific Islanders from Melanesia, Micronesia, and Polynesia to come together to "attempt to combat the erosion of traditional customary practices" through the expression of cultural art. This quadrennial gathering was designed to provide an open and safe space for us to share and learn about the experiences of our island sisters and brothers and for us to learn more about ourselves as a Pacific community. It is through this exchange of cultural artistic expression that our people are able to gain a broader and deeper appreciation of what it is that we seek to preserve, no matter what discipline of art we practice in.

Although I do not agree that hosting the festival should be viewed as a commercial opportunity or should be commercially-driven, I understand why we may feel compelled to call on the Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce and the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association. I fully support the inclusion of the Chairperson of the Legislative Committee on Tourism. What I am most concerned with, however, is the intent to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas.

The inclusion of this position will effectively demonstrate and perpetuate the idea that Guam is incapable of hosting an event of this magnitude without the assistance and employment of the military community in an official, decision-making capacity.

I have been told that the purpose of adding the Commander as a member of the Coordinating Committee is to ensure **inclusivity** in planning and hosting this festival as well as for the JRM's support with logistics. I believe that if we wish to convey a message of being inclusive, we can invite our friends from the military community to volunteer to assist us, in the very same manner and fashion that every other civilian volunteer will.

Perhaps the government of Guam may enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the JRM and its Commander to provide the support that is solicited. This gesture would be welcomed, but as a private citizen and one who is interested in participating as a delegate, I do not agree that the Commander should have a decision-making role in the coordination of the festival.

I'd like to add that inclusivity goes both ways—if we are to be inclusive of the military community, I'm curious to know whether or not we may freely avail ourselves of facilities that are located on military installations around the island during the festival.

In the meantime, I'd like to refresh the idea of recruiting volunteers from among our high school, college, and university students; various clubs and organizations around the island; and all other law-abiding citizens who pose no threat to the public. Just like our service members, these individuals deserve a chance to participate in providing logistical support so they may learn about the importance of this gathering.

FestPac 2016 is one of very few opportunities for us to be able to tell our stories as the indigenous people of Guam. This is our chance to come together as CHamorus to be able to share our culture through the creativity of our people.

If we really pay attention to why this festival was conceived of in 1972, my statements today should spark more discussions of how Subsection (l) defeats what the great minds of the SPC were considering.

Lastly, I would like to recommend to replace Subsection (l) with the Executive Director or Administrator of the Serve Guam! Commission so that she or he may be tasked with recruiting volunteers from around the island.

I hope that we can maintain the integrity of the festival in solidarity.

Saina ma'åse'

12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS
GUAM 2016
"What we own, what we have,
what we share – United Voice of the Pacific"

October 3, 2013

The Honorable Benjamin J. F. Cruz
Chairman
Committee on General Government Operations & Cultural Affairs
I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guahan
32nd Guam Legislature
155 Hesler St.
Hagatna, Guam 96910

SUBJECT: Bill No. 179-32 (COR), an act to amend P. L. 30-83 Relative to the Coordinating Committee of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts of 2016.

Buenas & Hafa Adai Chairman Cruz and distinguished members of the Committee on General Government Operations & Cultural Affairs. Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in support of Bill 179 with regards to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

Before proceeding, please allow me on behalf of the Coordinating Committee to take this time to extend our deepest appreciation to the members of the 32nd Guam Legislature for voting on SBill 1 (4-S) now P. L. 32-68, commonly referred to as the FY '14 Budget Act. The appropriation in the Budget Act to the Guam Festpac Trust account in the amount of $200,000 and a potential collection of an estimated $2 Million of all delinquent Hotel Occupancy Tax revenue due to the Government will definitely assist the Festpac Committee in achieving its $13 Million Operating Budget, of which $5 Million cash support is being requested from the Government of Guam.

Currently, the eleven members of the Festpac Committee as outlined in PL 30-83 have been meeting regularly since April 2011 and I can proudly report that plans for 12th Festival on Guam in 2016 are progressing well. At the Committee's regular meeting held on July 24, it was discussed and passed unanimously that the addition of the Chairperson of the Committee on Tourism of I Liheslaturan Guahan or its successor; the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or designee; the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or designee; and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or designee be added to the Committee composition. The current Committee feels strongly that the additions will only enhance our ability to put forth the best plan to host 27 Island Nations from the Pacific which will bring to our shores an estimated 3,500 delegates. The talent and resources of these proposed members will be most welcome.

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Continuing in this spirit, we recently met with First Lady Christine Calvo who graciously accepted the Committee's request to be Honorary Chairperson for the 2016 Festival. We are pleased and look forward to working with First Lady Calvo and the additional members outlined in this bill.

In closing, it is my experience when executing regional and international events with high protocol demands, success and smooth implementation of Guam's hosting could not be possible without the involvement and cooperation of all sectors of our island. Bill 179 will assist in accomplishing this goal. We ask that the 32nd Guam Legislature support Bill 179 and immediately seek passage at the next regularly scheduled Legislative Session.

Thank you for your time. Please feel free to contact me directly at 482-9231 or by email if you or any member of your Committee require more information.

Un Dankalu Na Saina Ma'ase,

THERESA C. ARRIOLA
Chairperson

Cc: Members, 2016 Festpac Coordinating Committee

Testimony In Support of Bill 179-32

Submitted by Monica Guzman, Chair, Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities (CAHA)

Hafa Adai and Good Morning!

Håfa Iyo-ta, Håfa Guinahå-ta, Håfa Ta Påtte, Dinanña' Sunidon Bos Siha Gi Iya Pasifiku
What We Own, What We Have, What We Share, United Voices of the Pacific

This is the theme of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts in Guam. It is very inclusive and speaks to the intent of Bill 179-32; bringing all sectors of the community together to plan and welcome our Pacific Island neighbors to Guam. I am in support of Bill 179-32, which expands the membership of the Coordinating Committee. In 2016, Guam will welcome up to 3500 delegates for the Festival of Pacific Arts from 27 island nations to participate in over 40 different art forms and cultural events over a 14 day period. It will be one of the largest events that Guam will host, second only to the South Pacific Games which Guam hosted in 1975 and again in 1999.

Annually, GVB is tasked with coordinating the Guam Micronesia Island Fair, which includes 20 delegates from 9 island nations for a 3-day event. This effort requires coordination among the government departments and agencies, cooperation and support from the business community and collaboration with our cultural practitioners, entrepreneurs and non-profit organizations. This same effort, multiplied 10x is required for the Festival in 2016.

The inclusion of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Chairperson of the Legislative Committee on Tourism and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas ensures that ALL sectors of our community are engaged in this celebration of culture.

I would like to request that as with the Guam Visitors Bureau, the language in Bill 179-32, Item B, be changed to read:

(b) the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities or his designee;

Currently the bill identifies the Executive Director of CAHA as a member of the Coordinating Committee. Since the reorganization of the Department of Chamorro Affairs (DCA), the Executive Director is the President of DCA, who is already a member of the Committee.

For the past 2 years, as Chair of CAHA, I have been attending the Committee meetings. CAHA has been leading the efforts in gathering our cultural practitioners and artists together in meetings since November 2012, to determine the programming that will be offered during the Festival. The 5 subcommittees formed include the Visual Arts, Literary Arts, Performing Arts, Traditional Arts and Seminars, Workshops and Forums. CAHA is also the lead agency that sits on the Council of Pacific Arts and Culture that oversees the Festival of Pacific Arts. Additionally, we have regular dialogue with the Council, giving them updates on the planning efforts in Guam. For your information, they are very pleased with our progress and look forward to receiving more information as it becomes available.

Additionally, I would like to suggest that in this legislation, the First Lady be included as a voting member of the Coordinating Committee as the Honorary Chair.

Since 1972, Guam has participated in all previous Festivals and many island nations have hosted, housed and welcomed our delegates. It is now our opportunity to welcome our Pacific Island brothers and sisters to our island home. Let us do it in true Chamorro hospitality. Thank you very much and Si Yu'os Ma'ase!



Guam Festival of the Pacific Arts 2016
Programming Committee

Theme

What We Own, What We Have, What We Share,
United Voices of the Pacific

Håfa Iyo-ta, Håfa Guinahå-ta, Håfa Ta Påtte,
Dinanña' Sunidon Bos Siha Gi Iya Pasifiku

Hafa adai!

My name is Kie Susuico. I am an indigenous cultural artist here on Guåhan. I am here to submit my testimony in opposition to Bill 179-32, regarding the inclusion of the Commander of Joint Region Marianas or his designee and the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his designee to the 2016 FestPac Coordinating Committee.

Bill 179-32 seems like an attempt to showcase a homogenized Guamanian culture rather than truly represent our indigenous Chamoru culture at the 2016 FestPac to be held here on Guåhan. I believe the involvement of the Joint Region Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce will present an image of a Chamoru Nation that is forever dependent on the US and its military forces, rather than Chamorus as a strong Oceanic people.

Throughout Guåhan's history, we can see and feel the devastating impact the US and its military has had on our culture and language. For example, in 1918, the US prohibited Chamoru language and culture in public institutions and government offices. So how can we today allow them to have a say in what Chamorro culture is? I cannot imagine why they would be a part of our cultural celebration.

To me, FestPac is a celebration and sharing of indigenous cultures. As cultural producers and artists of Guåhan, we give our people the ability to imagine our history and identity as the foundation for moving us toward Chamoru self-determination.

I believe that Guåhan can host this cultural event without military involvement, just as Palau did in 2004 and American Samoa in 2008. If they were able to host 27 countries with the humble resources they had, why can't we? Why can't we imagine a more grassroots approach that brings together our community as a whole, including our high school and university students, local businesses and non-governmental organizations to make FestPac 2016 a TRUE success?

Saina ma'åse',



Kie Susuico
Board member, Inadahen I Lina'la' Kotturan Chamoru (Guardians of the Chamoru culture)

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October 7, 2013

Hafa adai,

I am writing to you today to submit testimony for Bill 179-32.

While I do support the other choices for Committee Members, I do not understand why the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas would be added. I feel like our hosting this festival for our brothers and sisters of the Pacific is a great honor and is a way to showcase our Chamorro spirit, culture, and artistry. By having the JRM in a decision making position, it will give the impression, to our guests and our own people, that we can't even do this without the military. Are we not getting tired of that? So much of our lives, as indigenous and locals, is affected by military decisions and this festival does not have to be another one of those times.

I understand wanting to be inclusive. So invite the men and women serving in the military to join us as volunteers, participants, not as soldiers, but as individuals living on Guam, as community members. I think that would be a warmer and more natural way to include them.

Please reconsider.

Thank you for your time and work,

Andrea Nicole Grajek
Artist / Illustrator

Chairperson, The Festival of Pacific Arts
Human Development Programme – SPC Headquarters
c/o Ms. Linda Peterson, HDP Manager
Secretariat of the Pacific Community
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98848 Noumea Cedex,
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October 6, 2013

Hafa adai Honorable Chairperson of The Festival of Pacific Arts,

We are writing to ask for a letter of support from the Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Human Development Programme – Festival of Pacific Arts (FestPac) Committee to ensure that as host of the 2016 FestPac, Guam upholds the intent of FestPac, to "combat the erosion of traditional customary practices" (1972 SPC Governing Conference).

Chamoru Nation, part of a collective of non-profit organizations and NGO's committed to perpetuating and protecting the rights and culture of indigenous Chamorus, humbly requests your Committee shed some light on the politics, history and struggle of the cultural effort of FestPac.

Recently, Bill 179-32 (see attached) was introduced in the 32nd Guam Legislature. This bill proposes to add four additional members to the 2016 Guam FestPac Coordinating Committee. We are deeply concerned that two of the proposed additional members—primarily, the US Commander of the Joint Region Marianas, and secondly, a representative of the Guam Chamber of Commerce—have been and continue to be proponents to increase US military presence in Guam.

As you may know, Guam continues to be a colony of the United States, making it a non-self governing territory under the auspices of the United Nations awaiting decolonization through the act of self-determination. The influence of the US military on our island is so pervasive such that it has become a natural tendency for our "political officials of Guam" to involve the US military in numerous government functions. Bill 179-32 is an example of this.

We are submitting this appeal to SPC FestPac in hopes that you support our opposition to the inclusion of colonial representatives who will be a part of determining what is indigenous Chamoru culture. We would greatly appreciate your support, and ask that you submit your letter of support no later than Monday, October 21, 2013, addressed to Office of Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F Cruz, 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña Guam 96910. It may also be sent via facsimile to (671) 477-2522, or via email to carlo.branch@senatorbjcruz.com.

Dangkolo na Saina ma'åse' (Thank you).

Sincerely,
Chamoru Nation (NGO) et al.
c/o Kie Susuico (kie.as.in.key@gmail.com)

cc: The Honorable Vice Speaker Benjamin J. Cruz, 32nd Guam Legislature

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September 25, 2013

Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Chairperson, Committee on General Government
Operations and Cultural Affairs
I Mina'Trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Hagåtña, Guåhan 96910

Re: Bill No. 179-32 (COR), An act to *amend* P.L. 30-83 relative to the Coordinating Committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts of 2016.

Dear *Senadot* Cruz:

Buenas yan Hafa Adai ginen taotao Barrigada! Vice Mayor Jessie P. Bautista and I, together with members of the Barrigada Municipal Planning Council, hereby submit testimony in support of Bill No. 179-32 (COR). FestPac is the largest cultural event in the Pacific held every four years rotating host countries and territories from Polynesia, Melanesia and Micronesia. As we all know, hosting the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts is a major undertaking for Guam that requires communitywide support and participation.

We will encourage all our residents to attend and participate during the activities so they can be accustomed and open minded to the Chamorro language and culture, and be knowledgeable of its history and evolution. *Hami giya Barrigada, bi en eppok todu I taotao mame ya u fanpattesipa gi todu I aktededat siha kosaki u fanyinama I tiningo'-ñiha mas put I haga'-ta yan tumaimanu hit na taotaogues.*

Therefore, passage and enactment of Bill 179-32 (COR) only serves to ensure and bring Guam's plan to host the festival to fruition. More importantly, our visitors and guests will have the opportunity to view Chamorro Arts and Culture at its finest as it is expressed trough song, dance chant, storytelling, and through the skills of our traditional and visual arts. We are confident that through your leadership all participating countries and territories in the Pacific will showcase their cultures for over visitors.

Sinseramente,

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Vice Mayor

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Goodmorning Senators,

My name is Jonathan Guerrero and I am here to submit testimony on Bill 179-32.

Last year a friend of mine shared her experiences with me when she attended the 2012 Festival of Pacific Arts. I must say I was envious of her as I listened to her stories. With passion she described the many people she connected with and the amount of learning and growth she felt after. My envy didn't last long because I found out that Guam would be hosting the Festival here in 2016. I was happy I would have the chance to experience what she experienced. I was also filled with pride. I believe Guam has many valuable things to share with our brothers and sisters throughout the pacific.

I look forward to participating in the Festival and also volunteering. I am disappointed however about **a section in Bill 179-32 which proposes to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas** to the coordinating committee of the Festival. I do not see the logic for having a U.S. Military Commander help coordinate a Festival that was created by Pacific communities to re-claim a sense of "self" separate from military and political interventions.

From: Cara Flores-Mays <flores.cara@gmail.com>
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Subject: testimony on Bill 179-32

Hafa Adai Senators,

A short portion of Bill 179-32 proposes to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas to the Coordinating Committee of the Festival. This seems a minor detail in the grand scheme of planning but I do hope that you'll reconsider for the following reasons.

1. It is locally divisive and completely unnecessary.
2. It is controversial, not just here in Guam, but across the Pacific. Many islanders have suffered and continue to suffer from military activities - the nuclear testing in the Marshalls, contamination of land, taking of land, etc. Whether one is compassionate towards those experiences or not, we have invited and will be hosting people who continue to suffer. It is insensitive and unnecessary.
3. FESTPAC was created ***as a means to stem erosion of traditional cultural practices.*** Even if you want to argue that the military administration has not voluntarily/involuntarily contributed to the erosion of our cultural practices, it does not make sense to include an entity whose goals are completely disaligned with the intentions of FESTPAC.
4. It is disempowering to our cultural community. I believe in the abilities of our people to present and preserve our culture to the rest of the Pacific.
5. If Guam really can't host FESTPAC without the help of the military administration, then, perhaps, we shouldn't host FESTPAC at all!
6. It prevents our service men and women from truly connecting to the culture of FESTPAC. If its in any way related to their job to be there, then it isn't a volunteer experience. Our service men and women should be allowed to volunteer for something related to culture and community without it having any connection to their job.
7. It perpetuates the hegemony that as a community, we aren't smart enough or able enough to do it on our own. We need someone from the Continental United States to show us how because they can always do it better.
8. FESTPAC is inclusive. Everyone is invited to attend. But the indigenous communities represented at FESTPAC are responsible for protecting and guarding our culture and traditions. The committee should be composed of members who are highly familiar with our culture and traditions and are clearly committed to those things, above all else.
9. We can be inclusive without giving away committee seats. Is the military community more important than the filipino community? than the LGBT community? than the korean and palauan and yapese and japanese communities? If we are giving away committee seats to be inclusive than we must be very careful to be inclusive of EVERYONE.

Thank you for your consideration.

Cara

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Fwd: Regarding Bill 179-32

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Subject: Regarding Bill 179-32

Hafa Adai Senators,
I am submitting testimony against the inclusion of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his Designee in the Festival of Pacific Arts 2014. It is disheartening to have such military presence involved in what should be a venue that promotes cultural revival and decolonization of mind and heart. It is contradictory to me to host a peaceful celebration of Pacific nations, peoples and their independant cultures and then to invite the very country that perpetrates injustice on our Chamoru people (because of their military strategy in some future or current war) – the country that heads our colonization. Why would they need to be involved? To squelch our exuberance in the freedom of expressing ourselves culturally? To protect us from the countries that will come to participate? It sends the wrong message completely. This is not an event for subjugation or war or war-like thinking or war-like logistics. This is a peaceful event to foster our relationship with our Pacific brothers and sisters and to showcase the resilience of our culture (resilient despite hundreds of years of colonization, currently under the U.S.). Please consider the message that is being sent with the participation of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his Designee in FESTPAC 2014. Let our people be proud of what they can accomplish without a "military escort".

Si Yu'os Ma'ase,

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To: Honorable Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Chairman
Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs
32nd Guam Legislature

From: President
Department of Chamorro Affairs

Date: October 7, 2013
Subject: **Testimony on Bill No. 179-32 (COR)**

Håfa Adai Mr. Chairman and Members to the Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs.

I am here today in full support of **Bill No. 179-32 (COR), AN ACT TO AMEND P.L. 30-38 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF THE PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.**

The full membership of the 12th Festival of the Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee has been meeting for a little over two (2) years now. Mr. Chairman, you and the rest of our current membership have continued to fully participate in these developmental meetings; and, your oversight committee has made specific recommendations for additional stakeholder participation to our existing makeup of Committee membership.

The proposed addition of four (4) organizations is very much reflective of the need to further collaborate with our communities and organizations, thus ensuring the inclusion of partnerships. The eventual success of Guam's sponsoring the 2016 Festival of the Pacific Arts is best postured with the right mix of Individials and organizations within our Coordinating Committee.

I would like to further propose by way of recommendation four (4) additional members: *(m) the Director of the Guam Department of Agriculture or his/her designee; (n) the Director of the Department of Public Works or his/her designee; (o); Guam's Point of Contact for the Secretariat of the Pacific Communities and (p) the General Manager of the Antonio Borja Wonpat Guam International Airport Authority or his/her designee.*

These additional members recommended, although are clearly from the Executive Branch, nonetheless are major stakeholders to the 2016 Festival of the Pacific Arts, and must be engaged formally in our committee. The tantamount responsibilities of providing produce and food items for our thousands of guests, the capital improvement projects that may be involved in creating venues, the communiqué and essential protocol of the SPC, and the robust activities entailing transportation…will all require immediate attention and tasking within our Committee. Having these four additional members postures immediate attention and action as we continue to deliberate and plan for successes of Guam's FESTPAC 2016. I kindly urge your Committee to consider the inclusion of these four additional members, representing vital entities with the Government of Guam, to the Coordinating Committee.

JOSEPH ARTERO-CAMERON

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January 28, 2014

MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**

Subject: **Supplement to Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

Hafa Adai!

Transmitted herewith is a memo from Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz, Chairperson, Committee on General Governmental Operations and Cultural Affairs, forwarding Attachments for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Please include this memo and the attachment as a "Supplemental" to the Committee Report on Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Please make the appropriate indication in your records; and forward to MIS for posting on our website. I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan.*

Si Yu'os Ma'ase'!

cc: Legal Counsel
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January 28, 2014

Memorandum

To: Senator Respicio Committee on Rules, Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs, Human & Natural Resources, and Election Reform

From: Vice Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz
Chairman, Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

Subject: ***Supplemental Testimony for Bill No. 179-32 (COR)***

Hafa Adai! Please be advised that I have received supplemental testimony for Bill No. 179-32 (COR) attached herewith. It would be greatly appreciated if the documents were included as a supplement to the committee report for Bill No. 179-32 (COR).

Thank you for your time and kind consideration of this request.

Fanohge Guåhan

Recipient:

Letter: Greetings,

I say, "NO," to the addition of the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas and the Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce (who lobbies for the hypermilitarization of Guam) as official, decision-making members of the Guam 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee.

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Comments

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Jonathan Diaz	Tot Barrigada, GU	2013-10-21	Pot hafa Na reason? Maolekña at Decolonize fineness
Joseph Certeza	Agana, Guam	2013-10-21	It protects the the true nature of our indigenous culture on Guam.
Lucas Storts	Tamuning, GU	2013-10-21	The military has no business being involved in the planning nor execution of this event. Neither do the business interests of Tourism... If they have their say this event will be rampant with cheap chinese made goods that have no bearing or significance to any cultures represented.
Micky Huihui	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-21	Hasn't the US military done enough damage to the Spirit of Te Moana Nui?!!!
Lani Bordallo	Guam, Guam	2013-10-21	This event has nothing to do with the military and everything to do with "sharing" of cultural traditions of the indegenous peoples of Oceania... of which they know nothing about. "Taking" is the only thing they know.
cecily bishop	Kent, WA	2013-10-21	Keep the military and their assigns OUT of local celebrations! They've done more harm than good and are not welcomed!
dakota camacho	Madison, WI	2013-10-21	The Festival of the Pacific Arts is a response to the Military's destruction of our cultures, languages, and lands. If the military wants to participate in the festival planning, they can clean up the over a hundred toxic dumpsites on they have put on our Island, so we don't have to welcome our Oceanic family to a land of pollution.
Leonard Leon	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-21	Because I believe that a Cultural aevent, or any affair for that matter, is not a place for the u.s. military to hold a Voice. This is an Indigenous space to VOICE themselves through art and every decisions made should be by the cultures hosting the event, or participating in the events. Being american is not a cultural identity. This event is not about being an american, it's about the Pacific.
Erwin Bordallo	Tamuning, Guam	2013-10-21	So that the Arts can expand in a more open and free way.
Ronald T. Laguana	Mangilao, Guam	2013-10-21	INDIGENOUS RIGHTS IS STRAIGHT AND CLEAR. COLONIZERS ARE WHY WE FIGHT FOR POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE AND OUR CULTURAL FREEDOM!
Yuji Ankei	Yamaguchi-shi, Japan	2013-10-21	As an inhabitant of the Japonesia, we share the sea with these Peace-making peoples.
Hannah Middleton	Sydney, Australia	2013-10-22	Arts are life affirming; the military is death-dealing. Violence and war do not solve problems or help build a civilised and sustainable future. THERE MUST BE NO INTRUSION OF THE MILITARY INTO ARTISTIC ENDEAVOURS OF ANY KIND. Guahan is already an overmilitarised island with massive contamination, water and sewage disposal problems. It should not be further militarised.
Vani Catanasiga	Suva, Fiji	2013-10-22	Presence of military affects Pacific islanders ability to participate in a safe sapce
Patricia Blair	Hawaii, AL	2013-10-22	I support freedom for these Islands.
Kie Susuico	Guahan, Guam	2013-10-22	FestPac is a celebration of indigenous cultures in Oceania. Why would we let people who deny us our freedom have a say in who we are and what our culture is. Since 1895 the u.s. has been practicing cultural terrorism against CHamorus through radical dispossession. FREE GUAHAN and Free FestPac 2016.
Sus Shawhan	Waimanalo, HI	2013-10-22	Art and Pacific Islanders deserve respect! No military control; no global corporate control.

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Jacqueline Cruz	Dededo, GU	2013-10-22	preservation of culture and history
Vincent Camacho	Sedro Woolley, WA	2013-10-22	this has NOTHING to do with the military of ANY nation.....it is about OUR nations.....OUR Culture.....
sinahi sinahi	Hafatna, Gu, Guam	2013-10-22	It is a time to GO INDIGENOUS SUPPORT INDIGENOUS!
George Lujan	Dededo, Guam	2013-10-22	Militarism's creeping footprint should NOT be allowed any more space in any land, ocean, sky, 'space', heart or mind. It should 'stay within its current footprint' and work more on returning everything it claims to own back to their indigenous owners. Demilitarize EVERYTHING. Start with Bill 179-32.
Raphael Unpingco	Sinajana, Guam	2013-10-22	the military wasn't there with us in any prior fest pac, nor do they need to be at any future Fest. Pac.. it was a life choice for many on Guam yes, but they are as much members of the community as Spain was in the 1600's. I fail to see how we can even consider sharing with our guests the art of killing for conquering. Dispensa.
Lynyrd Puyat	Seattle, WA	2013-10-22	I don't support the militarization of the Marianas. There are many local concerns that need to be resolved. Pagan is a huge concern.
Moneka de Oro	Mangilao, GU	2013-10-22	The festival was created to celebrate our pacific heritage. Military forces on Guahan have historically and presently degraded Chamoru culture. (from banning the speaking of our language, discouraging the use of native traditional healing and denying access to sacred lands.) As islanders who at a drop of a dime can plan a party/bbq and are renowned for our hospitality we must have pride and faith in ourselves to host FestPac independent of the world's most deliberate force of hegemony. f
baltazar bell	Tamuning, Guam	2013-10-22	I am concerned about my culture.
Daylon Cottingham	Tianjin, China	2013-10-22	An injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. Not to mention the fact that the destruction of indigenous cultures will be the destruction of the preservation of the human race.
Anthony J.P. Ada	ILIG, Yona, Guam	2013-10-22	This amendment is defective in that it allows for a designee. And it doesn't apply the litmus test of being ACTIVE in the promotion of our culture through the arts. You allow for a designee and you will get a long roll of red tape to get any support. They will only attend to show face and make lame excuses like "I need to check with my boss" or "I have to bring it before my group". They don't need to be part of the planning to support the main reason for this event. This event will mean nothing to them unless it will bring a faster warship of a overflowing cash register.
Anthony J.P. Ada	ILIG, Yona, Guam	2013-10-22	Are they ACTIVE in the promotion of the Arts on Guam? The bill is defective because it allows for a designee. Of course, the designee will be sent because the heads would be too busy for something as trivial as culture. Unless it means getting a faster ship or larger cash register.
Nick Deane	Sydney, Australia	2013-10-23	Keep the military at bay!
Bob Bordallo	New York, NY	2013-10-23	As often as "art" is experimental and seemingly distasteful and blasphemous to some observers, "art" usually points to issues that involve the human condition. Oftentimes, "art" exposes the brokenness of the political status quo, which in our world increasingly involves militarization. How free is the artist to comment on the military state when s/he is being monitored by that military state?
Vanessa Warheit	san francisco, CA	2013-10-23	The US military has nothing to do with Pacific art & culture and should have no authority over this important, peaceful gathering.

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Donna Hutchinson	Seattle, WA	2013-10-23	The indigenous people have a right to a peaceful festival without the interference of the military.
Denis Doherty	Surry Hills, Australia	2013-10-23	We need a demilitarise pacific not a pivot!
Joe Babauta	Hagat, Guam	2013-10-23	When was " CULTURE " added in any oath?
Paul O'toko	Weno, Chuuk FSM, Micronesia, Federated States of	2013-10-23	We dont have any enemies that need killing nor defending our selves from. We had histories of destructions by Foreign Bullies & Intruders who came and did their childish problem solving, in our homes, feeding grounds n boundaries, by killing and destroying our people and habitats, indiscriminately. We are still poisoned and made poor by the past wars USA had in our boundaries...and the Atomic Bombs USA Detonate in our habitats...which USA is not willing to take responsibility for, even today. We are looked down upon coming to USA claimed territories, after being destroyed and poisoned by USA Military Strategic Activities in our Moana Nui...Micronesian, in particular. .
Noelani Goodyear-Kaopua	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-24	The Festival of Pacific Arts should be a safe space for artists of Oceania to come together and share. Given the violence that militarization and tourism have often caused in our islands, the inclusion of military leadership in particular does not foster a sense of free and safe expression for artists. What the heck does the military have to do with arts anyway?
Mary Baker	Waimanalo, HI	2013-10-24	The Pacific Festival of the Arts is about peace and sharing not military and commerce.
Dawn Perez	Yona, Guam	2013-10-26	The Festival of Pacific Arts is a celebration of our native cultures....we are here to gather as pacific brothers and sisters, not enemies....there is no threat, just a gathering of our cultural families....the military does not need to be present. We don't need to be dictated to when we're simply celebrating who we are as Pacific Islanders.
Kathy Ferguson	Honolulu, HI	2013-10-26	Despite years of pretending to the contrary, the military is not "just another neighbor" - it is the representative and the instrument of dispossession. I do not think that the Festival's purpose is to either legitimate or celebrate dispossession.
Manuel Deguzman	Barrigada, Guam, Guam	2013-10-27	FREE GUAHAN and Free FestPac 2016
Abraham Eldads	Vanuatu, Vanuatu	2013-10-31	I believe introduction of other cultures to this invaluable event can negatively affect our cultures over the coming years.
David Palaita	San Francisco, CA	2013-11-01	KEEP OCEAN IN OCEAN HANDS!
Andrew Grahaam	Sydney, Australia	2013-11-05	Militarism, particularly in its US interventionist form, threatens everyone's peace and prosperity in the Asia/Pacific.

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Jacob Perez	Tumon, Guam	2013-11-06	Indigenous Peoples and Cultures are what makes this world thrive with all their healing from (non-GMO) organic foods, water and medicines known to cure any and all illnesses. I stand for the everlasting growth of Indigenous Cultures/Peoples' knowledge, wisdom and healing which militarization of any kind destroys and controls/enslaves. We are the 'minority' but don't forget the 'minority' of all Indigenous Peoples is the "Majority" and "Majority Rules" again and again. I stand peacefully and assertively to keep my and all Indigenous Heritages alive and thriving without militarization or political propaganda. Decolonization and demilitarizaton of our '12th Festival of Pacific Arts' is and will always be possible as long as the descendants of these beautiful and 'powerful-beyond-belief' Indigenous Cultures/Peoples AND our Allies continue to breathe, eat, drink, teach, dance, sing, chant, share, heal, protect, respect and love ourselves, each other and the world for as long as we are alive in body but, most importantly, in spirit which will always be eternal. "We are jungle-generations reaching through the concrete. Every species that we save, saves our own from being extinct." JMP (for "MINA")
Brian San Nicolas	lakewood, WA	2013-12-11	Equality
David Topasna	Mangilao, Guam	2014-01-07	Preservation
Luis Mesngon Jr	Toto, Guam	2014-01-07	I believe it will be disrespectful to my culture, ancestors, families, friends, even further generations to come. There's so of the past glued to this site that it shouldn't be removed or changed.
Teresia Teaiwa	Wellington, New Zealand	2014-01-08	Hafa adai! I have signed this petition because I believe the U.S. military has no constructive role to play in organizing the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts to be held in Guam in 2016 since it has been a negative force in the continuation and revitalization of indigenous Chamorro cultural and economic practices in Guam as a result of its occupation of 1/3 of the island and its recent attempts to expand its territory, proposing to destroy vital terrestrial and marine sites of ecological and cultural significance in the process. Any organization that prioritizes military expansion over the long-term health and well-being of indigenous Chamorros has no business organizing the Festival of Pacific Arts either. As an academic who has studied the militarization of the Pacific Islands region, I encourage US military troops based on Guam and the Guam Chamber of Commerce to participate in the Festival as active learners. Pacific people have much to teach the world about sustainable living and the value of respect for both people and the environment in the age of climate change. Saina ma'ase.
Mokalagi Tamapeau	Wellington, New Zealand	2014-01-08	demiiiaitarize and decolonise the Pacific to restore guardianship to the indigenous.
Danny Butt	Auckland, New Zealand	2014-01-08	Despite the English-language saying, war is not an art worth the name.
susanne dr. kuehling	regina, Canada	2014-01-08	The military doesn't deserve being part of this festival.
Maria Rova	Nadi, Fiji	2014-01-09	The Festival needs to retain it's grassroots nature and remain free of agendas other than promoting the indigenous arts and cultures of the Pacific!
Maria Baza	Yona, Guam	2014-01-09	I am from Guam and Palau. I am against anyone who wishes to sacrifice our culture at the expense of the dollar. Who's with me?

Name	Location	Date	Comment
Robert Hunter	Staten Island, NY	2014-01-10	Why would you want to have the catalyst (the US military and its bases on Guam) responsible for the denial of the rights of the indigenous people of Guam, in particular the denial of a long overdue plebiscite to determine their political status and destiny, play any role at all in the planning of a festival celebrating and honoring Pacific people, and their heritage, culture, traditional knowledge, art and craft? Why would you want an entity that operates on Guam without the permission of the indigenous people of Guam, that use Guam soil and resources and propagates and enforces rules that deny Chamorros and other Guam residents access to resources, and that continues to move to take further resources, playing any role whatsoever in a festival whose purpose is to honor Pacific heritage, culture and art? Why on Earth would one want to denigrate themselves and the spirit of the Festival of Pacific Arts and Cultures (FESTPAC) like that? There are the larger Pacific issues as well, like the state of the people of the Marshalls who were taken advantage of to accommodate atomic testing and continue to get the sharp end of the federal shaft, and issues with the threat to marine life posed by military vessels, the use of islands for bomb practice and current moves to destroy further islands (like Pagan) with more bombing ranges, etc. I take this personally as I am an artist. I am also a Micronesian, an artist-delegate, a delegation organizer and delegation leader for previous FESTPACs, a former member of the Pacific Arts Council, a former president of what was the CNMI's largest visual arts guild Arts Inc., the Vice-Chair of the Consortium of Pacific Arts and Cultures, the former Executive Director of the Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, and as a former art teacher and Arts Program Coordinator for the CNMI Public School System. While I am not opposed to the Guam Chamber playing a role on the organizing committee, as local business surely has a role in facilitating the festival, I am wholly opposed to the participation of military representation on a coordinating committee of a Pacific cultural and arts festival. Of course we all want every segment of the community including military personnel and their families to be included and feel welcome, as is the Pacific way… you do that by sending them a schedule of the events and activities along with a kind invitation to attend.
Guillaume Colombani	French Polynesia	2014-01-10	Army has no place at all in a Festival dedicated to Arts !
Jenny Fraser	Brisbane, Australia	2014-01-13	doesnt have to be a culture war
Jeannette Hereniko	Honolulu, HI	2014-01-13	I am well aware of the uniqueness of the Festival of Pacific Arts to empower indigenous Pacific Islanders. Although I am not one, my world is enriched by knowing that they are free of military pressures in organizing the Festival. Pacific Islanders from Guam have made it clear that they do not want a military representative, and I feel strongly they should be listened to and prevail in this issue. Thank you for your attention to this important issue of representation and empowerment.
Yvonne Undehill-Sem	Auckland, New Zealand	2014-01-19	The tentacles of the military industrial complex cannot be left to wander into spaces which fundamentally work for high levels of humanity

Fanohge Guåhan

Recipient: Honorable Senators and Coordinating Committee Members - 12th Festival of Pacific Arts

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Jonathan Diaz	Tot Barrigada, GU, United States	2013-10-21
Jonathan Diaz	Barrigada, Guam	2013-10-21
Helen Onedera	Sinajana, , Guam	2013-10-21
Jessica Nangauta	Malesso,	2013-10-21
Raymond Tenorio	Barrigada, , Guam	2013-10-21
Pauline Onedera	Sinajana, Guam	2013-10-21
Charissa Aguon	Talofofo, Guam,	2013-10-21
desiree ventura	Yigo, , Guam	2013-10-21
Kisha Borja-Quichocho	Mangilao, Guam	2013-10-21
Joseph Certeza	Yona, , Guam	2013-10-21
Peter San Nicolas	tumon, Guam	2013-10-21
Maria Barcinas	Malesso, GU, United States	2013-10-21
Jesi Lujan Bennett	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-21
Lucas Storts	Barrigada, , Guam	2013-10-21
Kateri Rosanne Cruz	Barrigada,	2013-10-21
Lesley Huihui	Honolulu, HI, United States	2013-10-21
Gwendolyn Taimanglo	barrigada, GU, United States	2013-10-21
Josh Dunn	Hagtana, Guam	2013-10-21
Adam Paul Diego	Barrigada, Guam	2013-10-21
Shane Root	Ordot, Guam	2013-10-21
nathalie pereda	barrigada guam,	2013-10-21
John Meta Sarmiento	Yigo,	2013-10-21
Anthony Santos	Sinajana,	2013-10-21
Stacie Ayala	Rushden, Eng, United Kingdom	2013-10-21
Lani Bordallo	Guam,	2013-10-21
Jimmy Camacho	Yigo, GU, United States	2013-10-21
Danielle Ceribo	Brighton, MA, United States	2013-10-21
Bernard Punzalan	Spanaway, WA, United States	2013-10-21
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cecily bishop	Kent, WA, United States	2013-10-21

Name	Location	Date
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October 17, 2013

Memorandum

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Fiscal Notes /Waivers**

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Hafa Adai!

Attached please find the waiver for the bill numbers listed below. Please note that the fiscal notes, or waivers, are issued on the bills as introduced.

FISCAL NOTES:
Bill No. 167-32(LS)
Bill No. 186-32(COR)
Bill No. 192-32(COR)
Bill No. 205-32(COR)

WAIVERS:
Bill No. 179-32(COR)
Bill No. 198-32(COR)

Please forward the same to MIS for posting on our website. Please contact our office should you have any questions regarding this matter.

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Hafa Adai Senator Respicio:

Transmitted herewith is Fiscal Note on the following Bill Nos.: **167-32(LS), 186-32(COR), 192-32(COR), 205-32(COR) and** Fiscal Note Waiver on the following Bill Nos.: **179-32(COR), and 138-32(COR).**

If you have any question(s), please do not hesitate to call the office at 475-9412/9106.

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Enclosures
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The Bureau requests that Bill No. 179-32 (COR) be granted a waiver pursuant to Public Law 12-229 as amended for the following reason(s):

The Bill is administrative in nature in that it proposes to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts' Coordinating Committee. The proposed legislation seeks to add four (4) additional designees to the aforementioned Committee to include one (1) additional member each from the Guam Legislature, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association and the Joint Region Marianas.

Based on the foregoing, there is no fiscal impact posed by the subject legislation.

JOHN A. RIOS

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MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Therese M. Terlaje
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From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 179-32(COR)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

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September 30, 2013

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members/All Senators

From: Chairman, Committee on General Government Operations and Cultural Affairs

Re: First Notice of Public Hearing – Five Day Notice – October 7, 2013

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Nasion CHamoru questions inclusion of JRM in FestPac committee

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SHARE

THE activist group Nasion CHamoru yesterday questioned the inclusion of the Commander of Joint Region Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce in the coordinating committee for the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts during a public hearing held yesterday.

The Legislature's committee on general government operations chaired by Vice Speaker Benjamin Cruz convened a public hearing on several bills including Bill 179, which expands the coordinating committee of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts to be held in 2016.

Speaker Judith Won Pat and Sen. Tina Muña-Barnes co-sponsored the bill.

Cruz, who authored Bill 179, said the coordinating committee has recommended that the legislation setting the composition of the committee be amended to include the chairpersons of the Legislative Committee on Tourism, the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his/her designee, Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association, and the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his/her designee.



The Festival of Pacific Arts is a traveling festival hosted every four years by a different country in Oceania and the Pacific, including Guam. Variety file photo

Kie Susuico, an indigenous artist who spoke on behalf of Nasion CHamoru, said Bill 179 "seems like an attempt to showcase a homogenized Guamanian culture rather than truly represent our indigenous Chamorro culture at the 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts."

"I believe that the involvement of Joint Regional Marianas and the Guam Chamber of Commerce would present an image of a Chamorro nation that is forever dependent on the U.S. and its military forces rather than Chamorros as a strong Oceanic people," he said in his testimony.

Impact

Susuico said the devastating impact of the U.S. and the military on Chamorro culture and language can be seen throughout Guam's history, questioning, "How can we today, allow them to have a say on what Chamorro culture is?"

He said Guam can host the event without military involvement, citing Palau in 2004 and American Samoa in 2008 as examples.

"Why can't we imagine a more grassroots approach that will bring our community as a whole, including our high school and university students, local businesses, and non-government organizations to make FestPact 2016 a true success," he said.

Meanwhile, Selina Onedera-Salas also offered oral testimony, emphasizing that the Festival of Pacific Arts was intended for Pacific Islanders from Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia to come together to attempt to combat the erosion of traditional customary practices through the expression of culture and arts.

"The gathering was designed to provide an open and safe space to share and learn about the experiences of our island sisters and brothers as well as for us to learn more about ourselves as a Pacific community," she said.

Although she does not agree that hosting the festival should be viewed as a commercially driven opportunity or should be commercially advertised, she said she understands why the chairpersons of the Chambers of Commerce as well as the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association would be added to the coordinating committee.

"What I am most concerned with is the intent to add the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas. The inclusion of this position will demonstrate and perpetuate the idea that Guam is incapable of hosting the event of this magnitude without the assistance and employment of the military personnel in an official decision-making capacity," she said.

Support

Monica Okada Guzman, chairperson of the Guam Council of the Arts and Humanities, said the theme of the festival: "What We Own, What We Have, What We Share, United Voices of the Pacific," is very inclusive and speaks to the intent of Bill 179, which is to bring all sectors of the community together to plan and welcome Pacific island neighbors to Guam.

Expressing her support for the bill, she said in 2016 Guam will welcome up to 3,500 delegates from 27 island nations to participate in more than 40 different art forms and cultural events over a 14-day period.

"It will be the largest event Guam will host second only to the South Pacific Games which Guam hosted in 1975 and again in 1999," she said, stressing that the inclusion of the commander of Joint Region Marianas and other representatives will ensure all sectors of the community are engaged in the celebration of culture.

Theresa Cruz Arriola, FestPac 2016 chairwoman, also expressed support for the measure, saying the committee feels strongly that the current additions would enhance Guam's ability to put forth the best plan to host the delegates who will be coming over for the festival.

"It is my experience that with executing regional and international events with high protocol demands, success and the smooth implementation of Guam's hosting could not be possible without the involvement and cooperation of all sectors of our island. The measure would assist in accomplishing this goal," she said.

Guam is preparing to host the 12th festival, which has been held every four years since 1972. The festival brings together artists and cultural practitioners from around the Pacific region for two weeks of festivity.

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October 17, 2013

Memorandum

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Fiscal Notes /Waivers**

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Hafa Adai!

Attached please find the waiver for the bill numbers listed below. Please note that the fiscal notes, or waivers, are issued on the bills as introduced.

FISCAL NOTES:
Bill No. 167-32(LS)
Bill No. 186-32(COR)
Bill No. 192-32(COR)
Bill No. 205-32(COR)

WAIVERS:
Bill No. 179-32(COR)
Bill No. 198-32(COR)

Please forward the same to MIS for posting on our website. Please contact our office should you have any questions regarding this matter.

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Hafa Adai Senator Respicio:

Transmitted herewith is Fiscal Note on the following Bill Nos.: **167-32(LS), 186-32(COR), 192-32(COR), 205-32(COR) and** Fiscal Note Waiver on the following Bill Nos.: **179-32(COR), and 138-32(COR).**

If you have any question(s), please do not hesitate to call the office at 475-9412/9106.

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Enclosures
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The Bureau requests that Bill No. 179-32 (COR) be granted a waiver pursuant to Public Law 12-229 as amended for the following reason(s):

The Bill is administrative in nature in that it proposes to amend P.L. 30-83 relative to the composition of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts' Coordinating Committee. The proposed legislation seeks to add four (4) additional designees to the aforementioned Committee to include one (1) additional member each from the Guam Legislature, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association and the Joint Region Marianas.

Based on the foregoing, there is no fiscal impact posed by the subject legislation.

JOHN A. RIOS

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RE: Request for Fiscal Notes– Bill Nos. 177-32(COR) through 180-32(COR); 184-32(COR) through 186-32(COR); and 188-32(COR) through 193-32(COR)

Hafa Adai Mr. Rios:

Transmitted herewith is a listing of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan's* most recently introduced bills. Pursuant to 2 GCA §9103, I respectfully request the preparation of fiscal notes for the referenced bills.

Si Yu'os ma'åse' for your attention to this matter.

Very Truly Yours,

Rory J. Respicio

Senator Rory J. Respicio
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Attachments (1)

Cc: Clerk of the Legislature

Bill Nos.	Sponsor	Title
177-32 (COR)	Vicente (ben) C. Pangelinan, Michael F.Q. SanNicolas, Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., T. R. Muña Barnes, Frank B. Aguon, Jr., B.J.F. Cruz, R.J. Respicio	AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATIONSOF THE EXECUTIVE, LEGISLATIVE, AND JUDICIAL BRANCHES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014; MAKING OTHER APPROPRIATIONS; AND ESTABLISHING MISCELLANEOUS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.
178-32 (COR)	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Tina R. Muna Barnes D.G. Rodriguez, Jr., Rory J. Respicio, Michael F.Q. San Nicolas Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Tommy Morrison	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE REMAINING FUNDS ESCHEATED TO THE GENERAL FUND PRIOR TO END OF FISCAL YEAR 2013, PURSUANT TO §21116 OF CHAPTER 21, DIVISION 2, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZED TO USE AS A LOCAL REQUIREMENT FOR THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.
179-32 (COR)	B.J.F. Cruz T.R. Muña-Barnes J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D	AN ACT TO AMEND P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12THFESTIVALOF PACIFIC ARTSOF 2016.
180-32 (COR)	B.J.F. Cruz T. C. Ada	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 30102(a) OF CHAPTER 30, TITLE 5 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO REQUIRE AGENCIES PERMITTED TO RETAIN COUNSEL OTHER THAN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, TO HIRE UNCLASSIFIED, IN-HOUSE COUNSEL.
184-32 (COR)	Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D., V. Anthony Ada, Brant T. McCreadie, Tommy Morrison, Michael T. Limtiaco, Chris M.Dueñas	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS ($3,000,000) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 31-29.
185-32 (COR)	Michael T. Limtiaco, Brant T. McCreadie, V. Anthony Ada, Chris M.Dueñas, Tommy Morrison, Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.,	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF FOUR HUNDRED FORTY NINE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED NINETEEN DOLLARS ($449,119) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO PURCHASE VEHICLES FOR THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT.
186-32 (COR)	Tommy Morrison, Brant T. McCreadie, V. Anthony Ada, Chris M.Dueñas, Michael T. Limtiaco, Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.,	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS ($3,000,000) FROM SECTION 30 TAX REVENUES TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE GUAM FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.

188-32 (COR)	T.R. MUÑA Barnes, B. J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 80.50 TO ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 80, TITLE 9 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED KNOWN AS THE JUSTICE SAFETY VALVE ACT OF 2013 RELATIVE TO EMPOWERING THE COURTS OF GUAM TO DEPART FROM APPLICABLE MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES UNDER SPECIFIC CONDITIONS, ANDFOROTHER PURPOSES.
189-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	AN ACT TO FACILITATE THE RECRUITMENT OF HARD-TO-FILL ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS, BY AMENDING §6229.14 OF CHAPTER 6, 4 GCA, AND SUBSECTION (a) OF § 12805, ARTICLE 8, CHAPTER 12, PART 1, 10 GCA.
190-32 (COR)	B J.F. Cruz, Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D.	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 28 TO DIVISION 2 OF TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE RESEARCH CORPORATION, UNIVERSITY OF GUAM (RCUOG).
191-32 (COR)	Frank B. Aguon, Jr.	AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW 31-235, RELATIVE TO THE WOMEN'S REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH INFORMATION ACT OF 2012.
192-32 (COR)	B J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 64.15, § 64.16, AND § 64.17 TO CHAPTER 64 OF TITLE 9 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; RELATIVE TO THE PROHIBITION AND FORFEITURE OF ELECTRONIC MACHINES OR DEVICES TO CONDUCT SWEEPSTAKES GAMBLING.
193-32 (COR)	Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr.	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW 31-235 TO DELETE THE PROVISION REQUIRING THE "PRINTED MATERIALS" AND THE "CHECKLIST CERTIFICATION" TO UNDERGO THE RULE MAKING PROCESS PURSUANT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION LAW.

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MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

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From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio**
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 179-32(COR)**

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 179-32(COR)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan.*

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

Attachment

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
2013 (First) Regular Session

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Bill No. 79-32 (COR)

Introduced by:

B. J.F. Cruz
T.R. Muña-Barnes
J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

AN ACT TO *AMEND* P.L. 30-83 RELATIVE TO THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE OF THE 12TH FESTIVAL OF PACIFIC ARTS OF 2016.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Section 3 of P.L. 30-83 is hereby *amended* to read:

"**Section 3. Composition**. The following *shall* constitute the membership of the 12th Festival of Pacific Arts Coordinating Committee (the "Committee"):

(a) The President of the Department of Chamorro Affairs;

(b) the Executive Director of the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency;

(c) three (3) members, to be appointed by *I Maga'lahen* (the Governor), representing the organizations active in the promotion of the arts on Guam;

(d) a member of the Mayors Council of Guam, appointed by the President of the Mayors Council;

(e) two (2) members of *I Liheslatura*, to be appointed by the Speaker, who may designate himself;

(f) the Chairperson of the Committee on Cultural Affairs of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* or its successor;

(g) the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Guam Visitors Bureau or his designee; ~~and~~

(h) the Speaker of the Guam Youth Congress or his designee;

(i) the Chairperson of the Committee on Tourism of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* or its successor;

(j) the Chairperson of the Guam Chamber of Commerce or his designee;

(k) the Chairperson of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association or his designee; and

(l) the Commander of the Joint Region Marianas or his designee."