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Bill No. 139-36 (COR)

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**AN ACT TO ADD § 73154 TO CHAPTER 73, TITLE 5,
GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO
MANDATING ANNUAL CUSTOMS OFFICER
TRAINING CYCLES.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that with a shortage of customs officers needed to adequately keep our borders safe, it is vital that customs officer training cycles are conducted annually. Between officers retiring or leaving the agency for personal reasons on a regular basis, a consistent process would not only fill such vacancies, but continue to build the force to levels mandated by many standards. Further by establishing the requirement of such cycles would provide the agency director the opportunity to request for the funding for the recruitment and training each fiscal year.

Section 2. A new § 73154 is hereby *added* to Chapter 73 of Title 5, Guam Code Annotated, to read as follows:

"§ 73154 Annual Customs Officer Training Cycle.

1 (a) The Customs and Quarantine Agency shall conduct a customs
2 officer training cycle for no more than twenty (20) candidates per fiscal year.

3 (b) Each year, the Director of the Customs and Quarantine Agency
4 shall determine the total cost to conduct a recruitment and training cycle
5 pursuant to the requirements set forth in § 73154(a) of this Chapter and he
6 shall transmit this as part of his agency's proposed budget to I Maga'hågan
7 Guåhan for inclusion in the Executive Budget request that I Maga'hågan
8 Guåhan submits annually to I Liheslaturan Guåhan.

9 (c) The Director of the Customs and Quarantine Agency shall submit
10 a report to I Maga'hågan Guåhan and the Speaker of I Liheslaturan Guåhan
11 no later than June 30 of each year to present the update on the customs
12 officer training cycle conducted during that fiscal year, and pursuant to the
13 requirements set forth in this subsection."

14 **Section 3. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to
15 any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such
16 invalidity *shall not* affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be
17 given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the
18 provisions of this Act are severable.

19 **Section 4. Effective Date.** The Act shall be effective immediately upon
20 enactment.