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BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES	NOTES
15-36 (COR)	James C. Moylan Vicente "Tony" A. Ada Christopher M. Duenas Joanne M. Brown	AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A BINDING REFERENDUM IN THE 2022 GENERAL ELECTION TO DETERMINE WHETHER AMENDMENTS TO: <i>REPEAL AND REENACT</i> § 1118(a) OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 1121.1 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; TO <i>REPEAL AND REENACT</i> § 1106 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; TO <i>REPEAL</i> § 1106.1 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; TO <i>ADD</i> § 1118.1 AND § 1118.2 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 1119 AND § 1120 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2, GCA; TO <i>ADD</i> § 1128 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 1103(a) AND § 1103(c), OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 4 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 4102(a)(1), § 4102(a)(11), § 4102(b), AND § 4105, ALL FROM CHAPTER 4, TITLE 4 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 6102, § 6103, § 6302, AND § 6304, ALL FROM CHAPTER 6, TITLE 4 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 5101(a) AND § 5101(a)(2) OF CHAPTER 5, TITLE 4 GCA; TO <i>ADD</i> § 8104(x) TO CHAPTER 8, TITLE 4 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 8121(a)(1) OF CHAPTER 8, TITLE 4 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 3204(a) OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 19 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 7122 OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 23104 OF CHAPTER 23, TITLE 5 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 6105(b), OF CHAPTER 6, TITLE 5 GCA; TO <i>AMEND</i> § 9103(p) OF TITLE 9, TITLE 22 GCA; TO REPEAL ALL OF CHAPTER 20, TITLE 17 GCA; AND TO <i>ADD</i> A NEW CHAPTER 16 TO TITLE 2 GCA; SHALL BE ALLOWED TO REFORM THE GUAM LEGISLATURE, AND TO BE KNOWN AS <i>"THE CITIZEN'S LEGISLATIVE REFORM ACT OF 2021."</i>	1/7/21 10:09 a.m.	1/13/21	Committee on General Government Operations, Appropriations, and Housing			Request: 1/13/21 1/19/21	Exhibit A



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MEMO

To: Rennae Meno
Clerk of the Legislature

From: Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Re: Fiscal Note

Buenas yan Håfa adai.

Attached, please find the fiscal note for the following bill:

Bill No. 15-36 (COR)

Please forward the same to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mary Maravilla, Committee on Rules Director at 472-2461.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.



Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Fiscal Note of Bill No. 15-36 (COR)

AN ACT FOR BINDING REFERENDUM IN THE 2022 GENERAL ELECTION TO DETERMINE WHETHER AMENDMENTS TO: REPEAL AN REENACT §1118(a) OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; REPEAL AN REENACT §1121.1 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; REPEAL AN REENACT § 1106 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; REPEAL § 1106.1 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; TO ADD §1118.1 AND §1118.2 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; TO ADD §1128 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; TO AMEND §1119 AND §1120 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; TO ADD §1128 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 2 GCA; TO AMEND §1103(a) AND §1103(c), OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 4 GCA; TO AMEND §4102(a)(1), §4102(a)(11), 4102(b), AND §4105, ALL FROM CHAPTER 4, TITLE 4 GCA; TO AMEND §6102, §6103, §6302, AND §6304, ALL FROM CHAPTER 6, TITLE 4 GCA; TO AMEND §5101(a) AND §5101(a)(2) OF CHAPTER 5, TITLE 4 GCA; TO ADD §8104(x) TO CHAPTER 8, TITLE 4 GCA; TO AMEND §8121(a)(1) OF CHAPTER 8, TITLE 4 GCA; TO AMEND §3204(a) OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 19 GCA; TO AMEND §7122 OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16 GCA; TO AMEND §23104 OF CHAPTER 23, TITLE 5 GCA; TO AMEND §6105(b) OF CHAPTER 6, TITLE 5 GCA; TO REPEAL ALL OF CHAPTER 20, TITLE 17 GCA; AND TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 16 TO TITLE 2 GCA; SHALL BE ALLOWED TO REFORM THE GUAM LEGISLATURE AND TO BE KNOWN AS "THE CITIZEN'S LEGISLATIVE REFORM ACT OF 2021"

Department/Agency Appropriation Information			
Dept./Agency Affected: Guam Legislature		Dept./Agency Head: Carlo Branch, Executive Director	
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:			\$8,071,497
Department's Other Fund appropriation(s) to date:			
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:			\$8,071,497

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation			
	General Fund:	Special Fund:	Total:
FY 2021 Unreserved Fund Balance		\$0	\$0
FY 2021 Adopted Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2021 Appro. (P.L. 35-99)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sub-total:	\$0	\$0	\$0
Less appropriation in Bill	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total:	\$0	\$0	\$0

Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill						
	One Full Fiscal Year	For Remainder of FY 2020 (if applicable)	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SPECIAL FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

- Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions? / / Yes / X / No
If Yes, see attachment
- Is amount appropriated adequate to fund the intent of the appropriation? / X / N/A / / Yes / / No
If no, what is the additional amount required? \$ / X / N/A
- Does the Bill establish a new program/agency? /X / Yes / / No
If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies? // N/A / / Yes / X / No
Is there a federal mandate to establish the program/agency? / / Yes / X / No
- Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities? / / Yes / X / No
- Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept/agency? If no, indicate reason: / X / Yes / / No
/ X / Requested agency comments not received by due date / / Other:

Analyst: Katherine Parkinson-Borja Date: 1/14/21 Director: Lester L. Carlson, Jr. Date: JAN 19 2021
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Notes:
 1/ See attached comments.

BUREAU OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT RESEARCH
COMMENTS ON BILL NO. 15-36 (COR)

Bill No. 15-36 (COR) intends to mandate the Guam Election Commission to certify a referendum for a vote by the people of Guam, relative to a Part- Time Legislature, to be known as “The Citizen’s Legislative Reform Act of 2021” (Act). Should such referendum garner a minimum of (50%) plus one (1) of the total votes, the Act shall become effective upon the swearing of the Thirty-Eight (38th) Guam Legislature on January 06, 2025.

Exhibit A of the Act incorporates several amendments to Guam Code Annotated (GCA) relative to the rules and regulations governing the Guam Legislature, several of which have potential financial impacts. Section 3 of Exhibit A amends GCA to limit the Guam Legislature to two sessions annually. Section 6 of Exhibit A repeals the annual salary for Senators and the Speaker of the Guam Legislature. Pursuant to Section 5 of Exhibit A, Senatorial compensation is proposed to be a One Hundred Dollar (\$100) stipend for days in which the Senator is in attendance during session.

The Bureau estimates the financial impact of these proposed amendments may result in a reduction of approximately \$992K in the form of Senatorial salaries (see table below).

Senatorial Salaries & Benefits (Current / Full-Time) Per Annum

Annual Salaries	\$835,092
Benefits	247,135
Total: Salaries & Benefits	\$1,082,227

Senatorial Stipends (Part-Time) / 15 Members Per Annum

Stipend per Member: \$100 per day	
Stipend per Member: \$100 per day x 60 days	\$6,000
Annual Session Stipends (15 members * \$6,000)	<u>90,000</u>
Total	\$90,000

Variance	\$992,227
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Further, Section 29 of Exhibit A repeals the Legislative Research Bureau (LRB) as part of the University of Guam and re-establishes the LRB as part of the Guam Legislature via Section 30 of Exhibit A. The LRB may hire classified and unclassified employees to fulfill its mandates. It appears the LRB will replace the current Central Operations of the Guam Legislature.

Lastly, Section 4 of Exhibit A reduces the budgetary ceiling of the Legislature from two percent (2%) of the Government of Guam Fiscal Year revenue projection to now be one percent (1%). The Bureau notes that P.L. 35-99 appropriates \$8,071,497 for its operations in FY 2021, which represents (1.24%) of the net General Fund revenues available for appropriation in FY 2021.