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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
265-36 (COR)	Committee on Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth and Senior <u>Citizens</u>	AN ACT TO <i>ADD</i> NEW § 4126 TO CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 2, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CLUB FOR CREDIT PROGRAM UNDER THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION; AND TO CITE THIS ACT AS THE "CLUB FOR CREDIT PROGRAM OF 2021."	3/3/22 8:00 a.m.	3/11/22	Committee on Education, Self-Determination and Historic Preservation, Infrastructure, Border Safety, Federal and Foreign Affairs, and Maritime Transportation			Request: 3/14/22	
	by request of I Kongressun Manhoben Guåhan, the Guam Youth Congress, in accordance with 2 GCA § 7102.							3/23/22	



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March 23, 2022

MEMO

To: Rennae Meno
Clerk of the Legislature

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

Re: Fiscal Note on Bill No. 265-36 (COR)

Håfa adai,

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

Bill No. 265-36 (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. 265-36 (COR)

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Department/Agency Appropriation Information	
Dept./Agency Affected: Guam Department of Education (GDOE)	Dept./Agency Head: Jon P. Fernandez, Superintendent
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	180,072,381
Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date: Guam Educational Facilities Fund (\$11,791,914); Public School Library Resources Fund (\$763,194); Healthy Futures Fund (\$891,754); School Lunch/Child Nutritional Meal Reimbursement Fund (\$12,504,000); Limited Gaming Fund (\$442,611)	138,929,473
	\$319,001,854

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation			
	General Fund:	(Specify Special Fund):	Total:
FY 2021 Unreserved Fund Balance		\$0	\$0
FY 2022 Adopted Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2022 Appro. (P.L. 36-54 thru)	\$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 2022 (if applicable)	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
General Fund	\$0	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Fund	\$0	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

1. Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions? / / Yes / X/ No
If Yes, see attachment 1/
2. 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
3. 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
4. Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities? / / Yes / X/ No
5. 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: William P. Talingdong Date: 3/22/22 Director: Lester L. Carlson, Jr., Director Date: **MAR 23 2022**

Footnotes:

1/ See attached comments on Bill 265-36 (COR).

Bureau of Budget and Management Research
Comments on Bill No. 265-36 (COR)

Bill 265-36 will establish the Club for Credit Program under the Guam Department of Education (GDOE) which aims to assist public high school students to fulfill graduation requirements and encourage students to actively join clubs and organizations at their schools, or a community service project that is eligible to be considered towards an elective credit as a graduation requirement. Under the proposed program, active participation in a school club or organization will be converted into academic credit for students of the GDOE school system.

Under the proposed Club for Credit Program, students will need to complete at least 120 hours with a club or two clubs to obtain 1 full elective Credit. Students who complete 60 hours with a club can earn up a Half Credit. A student can earn a maximum of 1 Credit from the program. These credits shall only count as elective credits. No other subject shall be allowed to be substituted except for a student's elective requirement for graduation. If passed, the program will go into effect School Year 2023-2025.

The Bureau has sought input on the financial impact of the proposed Bill 265-36 from the GDOE and have not received any official comments as of the date of this fiscal note. However, based on a KUAM News article dated Friday, March 18, 2022, noted that "With some changes, GDOE support Bill that would help students catch up by joining clubs". According to the news article, GDOE Deputy Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Joe Sanchez says they support the bill after meeting with Educators. The article also indicated that Mr. Sanchez requested that some changes be made to the measure to address concerns they have in regards to grading and the added burden it may have to teacher volunteers serving as club advisors to do this type of student evaluation for elective credit.

The Bureau does anticipate that should Bill 265-36 be enacted, there will be a financial cost impact to the GDOE in terms of supplies and materials necessary to develop the registration and other forms necessary, as well as to conduct the promotion and advertisement of the Club for Credit Program to all GDOE schools in mediums including, but not limited to, bulletins, Parent Teacher Student Association meetings, posters, etc. Additionally, at the second school year after the Club for Credit Program's enactment, the GDOE is required to publicize the status of this program to the general public by means of a Guam Education Board meeting or some other means that GDOE finds suitable. The Bureau is unable to provide an estimate at this time without detailed cost requirements from the GDOE.

Furthermore, as Bill 265-36 does not provide for an appropriation to fund such purpose, the GDOE would then have to absorb the costs that maybe required from its annual fiscal year budget to implement the program.