

I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES	NOTES
119-36 (COR)	Telo T. Taitague Clynton E. Ridgell Joanne Brown Therese M. Terlaje Christopher M. Dueñas V. Anthony Ada Frank Blas Jr. Joe S. San Agustin Sabina Flores Perez Tina Rose Muña Barnes Jose "Pedro" Terlaje	AN ACT TO AMEND § 403(i) OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CHANGING THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF "MERIZO" TO ITS NAME IN THE CHAMORU LANGUAGE, NAMELY "MALESSO."	4/13/21 3:01 p.m.	4/15/21	Committee on General Government Operations, Appropriations, and Housing	6/24/21 2:00 p.m.	8/2/21 4:32 p.m.	Request: 4/16/21 Waiver: 4/19/21	
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Speaker, I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
36th Guam Legislature
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163 Chalan Santo Papa
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Time: 12:50pm
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RE: BILL NO. 117-36 (COR) "AN ACT TO AMEND § 403(k) OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CHANGING THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF "AGAT" TO ITS NAME IN THE CHAMORU LANGUAGE, NAMELY "HĀGAT."

RE: BILL NO. 118-36 (COR) "AN ACT TO AMEND § 403(j) OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CHANGING THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF "UMATAC" TO ITS NAME IN THE CHAMORU LANGUAGE, NAMELY "HUMĀTAK."

RE: BILL NO. 119-36 (COR) "AN ACT TO AMEND § 403(i) OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CHANGING THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF "MERIZO" TO ITS NAME IN THE CHAMORU LANGUAGE, NAMELY "MALESSO'."

RE: BILL NO. 125-36 (COR) "AN ACT TO AMEND § 403(l) OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CHANGING THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF "SANTA RITA" TO ITS NAME IN THE CHAMORU LANGUAGE, NAMELY "SĀNTA RITA -SUMAI."

RE: BILL NO. 126-36 (COR) "AN ACT TO AMEND § 403(g) OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CHANGING THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF "TALOFOFO" TO ITS NAME IN THE CHAMORU LANGUAGE, NAMELY "TALO'FO'FO'."

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COMMITTEE ON RULES

RECEIVED:

August 19, 2021

3:45 P.M.

To: Speaker Terlaje
Fr: Governor of Guam
Date: August 18, 2021
Re: Bill No. 117-36 (COR) nka P.L. 36-47; Bill No. 118-36 (COR) nka P.L. 36-48; Bill No. 119-36 (COR) nka P.L. 36-49; Bill No. 125-36 (COR) nka P.L. 36-50; 126-36 (COR) nka P.L. 36-51

Buenas yan Hafa Adai Madame Speaker:

Consistent with its mission under Guam law, I Kumisión i Fino' CHamoru yan i Fina'ná'guen i Historia yan i Lina'la' i Taotao Tāno' has undertaken the important, solemn task of restoring our villages to their traditional CHamoru names. This work is accomplished after much consideration, taking into account approved orthography and cultural touchstones. Bill Nos. 117-36, 118-36, 119-36, 125-36, and 126-36 seek to restore the traditional names of villages we currently know as Agat, Umatac, Merizo, Santa Rita and Talofofo, respectively. Some of the changes are comparatively minor, such as adding glotas to Talo'fo'fo, but others are substantially different, as in the case of Santa Rita-Sumai, Malessó', Humātak, and Hāgat. The difference can be jarring, but the inconvenience associated with change should not deter us from supporting its cultural and moral rectitude. History is long, and the prospect that our great-grandchildren may just as easily say Humātak fifty years from now as we say Umatac today, should be a source of great pride to all who call Guam home. As stewards of our cultural heritage, doing our part to preserve and perpetuate these cultural markers for our future generations is a promise kept. For these reasons, I am pleased to sign these bills into law as **Public Law Nos. 36-47, 36-48, 36-49, 36-50, and 36-51, respectively.**

Senseremente,



LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO

Maga'hāgan Guāhan

Governor of Guam

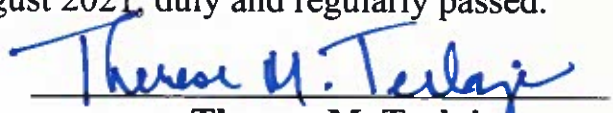
Enclosure(s): BILL NO. 117-36 *nka P.L. 36-47*
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BILL NO. 125-36 *nka P.L. 36-50*
BILL NO. 126-36 *nka P.L. 36-51*

cc: *Honorable Joshua F. Tenorio, Sigundo Maga'lāhen Guāhan*
Compiler of Laws

I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2021 (FIRST) Regular Session


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

This is to certify that **Bill No. 119-36 (COR)**, “AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 403(i) OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CHANGING THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF “*MERIZO*” TO ITS NAME IN THE *CHAMORU* LANGUAGE, NAMELY “*MALESSO*,” was on the 6th day of August 2021, duly and regularly passed.




Therese M. Terlaje
Speaker

Attested:




Amanda L. Shelton
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 7th day of August,
2021, at 4:30 o'clock P.M.



Assistant Staff Officer
***Maga'håga's* Office**

APPROVED:



Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: 8/18/2021

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I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
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Bill No. 119-36 (COR)

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 403(i) OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 1,
GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO
CHANGING THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF "*MERIZO*" TO ITS NAME IN THE
CHAMORU LANGUAGE, NAMELY "*MALESSO*'."**

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

2 **Section 1.** § 403(i) of Chapter 4, Title 1, Guam Code Annotated, is hereby
3 *amended* to read:

4 "(i) Village of Malesso'. Beginning at the mouth of the Toguan River
5 running easterly along said River to its head, thence easterly to the Mt.
6 Schroeder Triangulation Station, thence southeasterly to the Mt. Sasalaguan

1 Triangulation Station, thence southeasterly along the Ajayan River to its
2 mouth, thence westerly, northwesterly and northerly along the southwestern
3 coastline to the point of beginning.”

4 **Section 2.** All references to “*Merizo*” in the Guam Code Annotated and the
5 laws, rules, and regulations of Guam shall be understood to refer to “*Malessos*!”