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**AN ACT TO ADD A *NEW* CHAPTER 15 TO DIVISION 1
OF TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO
CREATING THE MARIANAS CYBER SECURITY
WORKING GROUP.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings. The monitoring of potential threats has been an ongoing task for many years, but it has now come out of the shadows and into the limelight with the catchall term “cyber security”. In Guam’s case, whether the end goal is data smuggling or interrupting critical communications for the island, our neighbors or allies – the mere fact that as much as 75% or more of information relayed over the internet transitions through one of the island’s undersea cables should be enough reason for our local and federal governments to make and fund drastic improvements of our efforts to combat these bad actors. To set the stage for these efforts, there is a pronounced need to become familiar and conversant with this method of tracking attempts to access systems by those who would do harm to our online systems and programs. The establishment of the Marianas Cyber Security Working Group provides a platform to discuss these issues, to be informed of threats that have been detected, and learn of measures taken to mitigate the harm caused by

1 the threats. The collaboration that can result from the issues discussed at the Working
2 Group briefings can generate legislative measures or administrative policies that will
3 help the government of Guam refocus toward capacity building, strategic planning
4 and protection protocols for its management information systems government-wide.

5 **Section 2.** Adding a *new* Chapter 15 to Division 1 of Title 5, Guam Code
6 Annotated, to read:

7 **“Chapter 15**

8 **Marianas Cyber Security Working Group**

9 § 15100. Creation of Working Group.

10 § 15101. Purpose of Working Group.

11 §15102. Membership.

12 § 15103. Information Dissemination.

13 **§ 15100. Creation of Working Group.** Created within the Office of the
14 Governor is the Marianas Cyber Security Working Group (hereinafter referred to as
15 ‘Group’). The Group shall be headed by *I Maga Haga*, with administrative support
16 provided by the Mariana Regional Fusion Center.

17 **§ 15101. Purpose of Working Group.** The Group shall meet on a monthly
18 basis to discuss issues involving cyber security and its heightened priority within
19 Guam. It shall receive periodic briefings from the Mariana Regional Fusion Center
20 on best practices available to implement cyber security measures and secure
21 management information systems and minimize threats to commerce and
22 government operations. The briefings may also include a recap on any recent threats
23 to government of Guam entities, the outcomes of such threats, and any
24 recommendations to avoid future threats. To the extent practicable, the briefing
25 information shall also be disseminated to the general public as a means to assist them
26 in their individual needs to safeguard their own access to various sites on the internet.
27 The Group may recommend legislation and administrative policy to safeguard and

1 enhance system and software security and eliminate vulnerabilities resulting from
2 threats.

3 § 15102. Membership. The Group’s membership shall include *I Maga Haga*,
4 or her designee; the Speaker, *I Liheslatura*, or her designee; the Chief Justice, or his
5 designee; the General Manager, Guam Power Authority, or his designee; the General
6 Manager, Guam Waterworks Authority, or his designee; the General Manager, Port
7 Authority of Guam, or his designee; the Executive Manager, Guam Airport
8 Authority, or his designee; the Director of Administration, or his designee; the
9 Director, Department of Military Affairs, or his designee; the Chief Technology
10 Officer, Office of Technology; a representative recommended from amongst the
11 Guam telecommunication companies, to be appointed by *I Maga Haga*; a
12 representative recommended by the Guam Bankers Association, to be appointed by
13 *I Maga Haga*; and a member of the business community with background and
14 experience in computer operations and analytics, to be appointed by *I Maga Haga*.

15 § 15103. Information Dissemination. Any information presented to the
16 Group by the Mariana Regional Fusion Center shall be made available to the general
17 public via the websites of the Office of the Governor, the Guam Legislature, the
18 Judiciary of Guam, and Guam Homeland Security.”