

I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2023 (FIRST) Regular Session
VOTING RECORD

NAME	Aye	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent	Excused
Senator Chris Barnett	✓					
Senator Frank Blas, Jr.	✓					
Senator Joanne Brown	✓					
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas	✓					
Senator Thomas J. Fisher	✓					
Senator Jesse A. Lujan	✓					
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes	✓					
Senator William A. Parkinson	✓					
Senator Sabina Flores Perez	✓					
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata	✓					
Senator Joe S. San Agustin	✓					
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas	✓					
Senator Amanda L. Shelton	✓					
Senator Telo T. Taitague	✓					
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje	✓					

Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco Legislative Session Hall
 Guam Congress Building
 July 28, 2023

Bill No. 28-37 (COR)
 As amended by the Committee on
 General Government Operations
 and Appropriations; and further
 amended on the Floor.

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 Substitute Clerk of the Legislature

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**AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW ARTICLE 3 TO CHAPTER 18
OF TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE
TO ADOPTING A STANDARDIZED TYPE-FACE FOR
ALL OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS, REPORTS, AND
ELECTRONIC MAIL OF THE GOVERNMENT OF
GUAM.**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. The government of Guam has
3 an obligation to ensure that all members of the community can access and understand
4 their documents, reports, and communications. This includes persons with
5 disabilities such as those with cognitive or visual impairments; and to make sure this
6 happens, it is important for the government of Guam to adopt accessible font types
7 in all its official documents, reports, and communications.

1 According to the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention,
2 one (1) in four (4) persons living on Guam have a disability. Of that figure, sixteen
3 percent (16%) have either a cognitive or visual impairment; and an accessible font
4 type makes it easier for people who have difficulty seeing text on a page due to visual
5 impairment or other disability-related issues. Additionally, fonts designed
6 specifically for accessibility often have wider character spacing so they look less
7 crowded which helps increase legibility even further. Using these kinds of fonts not
8 only improves the ability of persons with disabilities on Guam to access and
9 understand their documents, it also sends a message that the government of Guam is
10 serious about creating an inclusive environment; and this will ensure our disabled
11 citizens are given the same access to information available to everyone else.

12 **Section 2.** A new Article 3 is hereby *added* to Chapter 18 of Title 1, Guam
13 Code Annotated, to read as follows:

14 **“ARTICLE 3**

15 **STANDARDIZED TYPE-FACE FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF GUAM**

16 § 1830. Adoption of Standardized Typeface for the Government of
17 Guam.

18 **§ 1830. Adoption of Standardized Typeface for the Government of**
19 **Guam.**

20 The government of Guam shall adopt a standardized typeface for use on all
21 official documents, reports, and electronic mail generated after enactment of this
22 Act. Each entity shall utilize typeface that is Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
23 compliant such as Sans Serif, Times New Roman, Arial, Calibri, Seaford, or other.”

24 **Section 3. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any
25 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or inorganic, such invalidity shall not
26 affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without
27 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are

1 severable.

2 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective on January 1, 2024.