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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
375-35 (COR)	James C. Moylan Therese M. Terlaje	AN ACT TO AMEND § 15201 OF ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 15, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CANCELING THE 2020 PRIMARY ELECTION, AND ALLOWING ALL CANDIDATES TO ADVANCE TO THE GENERAL ELECTION.	7/6/20 8:00 a.m.	7/7/20	Committee on General Government Operations, Appropriations, and Housing	7/7/20 Waiver of Public Hearing Requirement		Request: 7/7/20	



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July 7, 2020

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** All Senators  
**FROM:** Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes  
**SUBJECT:** Waiver of Public Hearing Requirement – Bill No 375-35 (COR)

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Dear Colleagues:

*Buenas yan Håfa Adai!* Pursuant to Section 1.02(b)(1)(ii) of our Standing Rules, I hereby certify that emergency conditions exist involving danger to the public health or safety.

Furthermore, the public hearing requirement for Bill No. 375-35 (COR) is waived in accordance with 2 GCA § 2103(a).

*Saina Ma'åse'*

**Tina Rose Muña Barnes**  
Speaker, 35<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature

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JULY 6, 2020

HONORABLE TINA R. MUNA-BARNES  
SPEAKER, 35TH GUAM LEGISLATURE  
GUAM CONGRESS BUILDING  
163 CHALAN SANTO PAPA, HAGATNA, GUAM 96910

35GL-20-1969  
Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes

JUL 06 2020  
Time 7:30 ( )AM (X)PM  
Received By: Matt

RE: REQUEST FOR A SPECIAL SESSION

Dear Speaker Muña-Barnes;

This morning, my office filed *Bill 375-35*, which was co-sponsored by Senator Therese Terlaje, and the objective of the measure is to cancel the 2020 Primary Election. The reasons are evident in the legislative intent and relate to not only the realities of the present pandemic but also the cost savings our government can realize with its passage. The legislation would allow all qualified candidates to advance to the General Election and provides the Guam Election Commission (GEC) the additional time frame to plan for a General Election with the new normals of society, and with the goals of increasing voter turnout. Nonetheless, time is of the essence with *Bill 375-35*, as the GEC would immediately need a decision on if this measure will be enacted into law or not, so that they can address the printing of the ballots, and other election mandates.

With this in mind, I would like to humbly request for your consideration to execute your authority in waiving the public hearing requirements for this legislation, and to further request for a Special Session so that *Bill 375-35* can be further discussed. If provided the opportunity, and if the measure is on the floor, I will request to go into a Committee as a Whole, to allow stakeholders a chance to elaborate further on the legislation so that our colleagues can attain a better grasp on how to proceed with the issue. This is an important and timely discussion, and I hope to attain your support for my request.

I am attaching the required document to waive the Public Hearing, and once again, thank you very much for your consideration of my request.

Respectfully;

Jim Moylan

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**REQUEST FOR PUBLIC HEARING WAIVER**

Bill No: 375-35 (COR)

Authored By: James C. Moylan.

**Bill Title AN ACT TO AMEND § 15201 OF ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 15, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CANCELING THE 2020 PRIMARY ELECTION, AND ALLOWING ALL CANDIDATES TO ADVANCE TO THE GENERAL ELECTION.**

**Does this Bill directly benefit the response efforts of the Government of Guam in its effort to protect the Health and Safety of the People of Guam from COVID-19?**

Yes X

No \_\_\_\_\_

**Does this Bill directly benefit residents of Guam during this economic crisis due to COVID-19?**

Yes X

No \_\_\_\_\_

**Does the enactment of this measure have a cost associated with it?**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

No X

**Speaker Tina Rose Muna Barnes**

**If so, please provide the following:**

**Anticipated Cost: \$0.00**

**Source: N/A**

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Time 2:58 1:AM 1:PM  
Received By: [Signature]

**Based on PL 35-36 will current government revenues/operations be impacted by the reduction of the anticipated funding source?**

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**If so, please identify the estimated dollar amount reduction in revenues and a corresponding aggregate amount in appropriation reductions in PL35-36. Such reductions shall be specifically identified by fund source, by department/agency, and/or by program or miscellaneous appropriation. Is there consent or support from its respective Directors on this measure?**

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**Should we need to assemble in the Committee of the Whole, have the respective directors and stakeholders been contacted? (Please list each individual party separately):**

Name/Title	Agency	Yes/No

**OFB/BBMR:**

1) Does the Office of Finance and Budget **OR** the Bureau of Budget Management and Research concur that the statements made regarding the fiscal impact of this proposed measure are accurate?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

2) Are funds available in the specified funding source to support this measure?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name & Signature of Certifying individual from BBMR or OFB:

Name	Agency & Title	Signature & Date

*Should this section be unattainable, please submit documentation that demonstrates an effort was made.*





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The above information is true and correct. This bill addresses an immediate emergency and I am requesting that the public hearing be waived.

Name of Main Author/Senator Making a request to waive Public Hearing **James C. Moylan**

Signature  Date 07/06/2020

*Note: Public concerns/comments that have been received with regards to this measure, or any other pertinent document/information can be attached to this document.*

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*Attachments:*

- A. Bill No 375-35 (COR)
- B. \_\_\_\_\_
- C. \_\_\_\_\_