

I MINA' TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
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Bill No. 241-33 (~~OP~~)

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 51308.9 AND TO
AMEND § 51303(a) TO ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER
51, TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE
ANNOTATED TO ESTABLISH A RECYCLING
INDUSTRY ECONOMIC STIMULUS
PROGRAM AND TO PROVIDE A
CONTINUING APPROPRIATION FOR THIS
PURPOSE FROM THE RECYCLING
REVOLVING FUND REVENUES.

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

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslatura Guahan*
3 finds that the Recycling Revolving Fund presently has no rules and
4 regulations in place to enable the Fund to be used for the purpose of
5 supporting recycling initiatives in a prudent and accountable manner as
6 recommended by the Public Auditor. *I Liheslatura Guahan* further finds that
7 there are private recycling companies licensed by the Guam Environment
8 Protection Agency who recycle an estimated 42,000 tons of recyclable

1 material each year and whose efforts should be supported because of the
2 positive impacts on extending the life of the current solid waste land fill
3 and on the island's environment generally. *I Liheslatura Guahan* finds, that
4 given the downturn in prices for certain recyclable materials such as scrap
5 metal and tires, now would be an appropriate time to provide the local
6 recycling industry with economic stimulus funding based on the amount
7 recycled, which can be used to sustain these private recycling companies
8 and provide incentives and working capital for expansion of these
9 recycling operations.

10 **Section 2. RECYCLING INDUSTRY ECONOMIC STIMULUS**

11 **PROGRAM.** A new § 51308.9 is added to Article 3, Chapter 51, Title 10 of
12 the Guam Code Annotated to read:

13 “§ 51308.9 Recycling Industry Economic Stimulus Program. There is
14 hereby a created a Recycling Industry Economic Stimulus Program to be
15 administered by the Guam Environment Protection Agency. The purpose
16 of the program is to provide economic stimulus funding to local recycling
17 companies to support their recycling efforts. To qualify for this program, a

1 recycling company has to be licensed to do business in Guam and hold a
2 permit from the Guam Environmental Protection Authority for the storage
3 and disposal of recyclable materials. Recycling companies who qualify
4 under this program shall receive Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for each ton of
5 solid waste recycled by the respective company.”

6 **Section 3. CONTINUING APPROPRIATION** § 51303(a) of Article
7 3, Chapter 51, Title 10 of the Guam Code Annotated is amended to read:

8 “§ 51303. Continuing Appropriation.

9 (a) All revenues from the Recycling Revolving Fund are hereby
10 appropriated to the Guam Environmental Protection Agency to fund
11 the ~~following: costs of the administration and implementation of this~~
12 ~~Article.~~

13 (i) the -Recycling Recycling Industry Economic Stimulus Program
14 authorized in § 51308.9 of Article 3, Chapter 51, 10GCA

15 (ii) not more than one (1) FTE employee at Guam Environmental
16 Protection Agency to administer this Article.

1 (iii) One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to contract out a
2 private firm to promote recycling in the community

3 (iv) Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000) to contract out a
4 private firm to implement the Zero Waste Tolerance program.

5 (v) All other purposes stipulated in Article 3, provided that the
6 Rules and Regulations regarding the Recycling Revolving Fund have been
7 promulgated by the Guam Environmental Protection Authority and
8 adopted in accordance with the Administrative Adjudication Act.”

9 **Section 4. Effective Date.** The Recycling Industry Economic
10 Stimulus Program authorized in §51308.9 of Article 3, Chapter 51, 10GCA
11 shall take effect with the enactment of this Act and shall remain in effect
12 until the Rules and Regulations regarding the Recycling Revolving Fund
13 have been promulgated by the Guam Environmental Protection Authority
14 and adopted in accordance with the Administrative Adjudication Act.

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