

I MINA'TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Bill No. 38-33(COR)

Introduced by:

B. J. F. Cruz 

**AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 30.300 TO CHAPTER 30, AND A
NEW § 19.81 TO CHAPTER 19, BOTH OF TITLE 9, GUAM
CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE DEFINITION AND
INCLUSION OF INTERFERING WITH THE REPORTING OF
FAMILY VIOLENCE IN GUAM'S ASSAULT AND FAMILY
VIOLENCE STATUTES.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. A new Subsection § 30.300 is *added* to Chapter 30, Title 9, Guam
Code Annotated to read:

“§ 30.300 Interfering with the Reporting of Family Violence.

**(a) Any person commits the crime of interfering with the reporting of family
violence if the person:**

**(1) Commits an act of family violence, as defined in § 30.10 of this
Chapter; and**

**(2) Intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly prevents or attempts to
prevent the victim of or a witness to that act of family violence from
calling a 911 emergency communication system, obtaining medical
assistance, or making a report to any law enforcement official.**

**(b) Commission of a crime of family violence under Subsection (a) of this
Section is a necessary element of the crime of interfering with the reporting of
family violence.**

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1 (c) Interference with the reporting of family violence is a a felony of the
2 third degree.”

3 **Section 2.** A new Section § 19.81 is *added* to Chapter 19, Title 9, Guam
4 Code Annotated, to read:

5 “§ 19.81. Interfering with the Reporting of Family Violence; Defined &
6 Punished.

7 (a) Any person commits the crime of interfering with the reporting of family
8 violence if the person:

9 (1) Commits an act of family violence, as defined in § 30.10 of
10 Chapter 30 of this Title; and

11 (2) Intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly prevents or attempts to
12 prevent the victim of or a witness to that act of family violence from
13 calling a 911 emergency communication system, obtaining medical
14 assistance, or making a report to any law enforcement official.

15 (b) Commission of a crime of family violence under Subsection (a) of this
16 Section is a necessary element of the crime of interfering with the reporting of
17 family violence.

18 (c) Interference with the reporting of family violence is a a felony of the
19 third degree.”

20 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Act *shall* become effective upon enactment.