

I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
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1 (1-S)	<u>Committee on Rules</u> By request of <i>I Maga'hagan Guåhan</i> , the Governor of Guam, in accordance with the Organic Act of Guam.	PRUTEHI I HANOM ACT OF 2019 – AN ACT TO PROTECT THE WATERS OF GUAM BY AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF SPECIALIZED LEGAL SERVICES, ON A CONTINGENCY FEE BASIS, TO ASSIST IN ACTIONS TO ENSURE CLEAN AND SAFE WATER ON	6/28/19 1:27 p.m.					

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Bill No. 1 (1-5)

Introduced by:

Committee on Rules 

At the request of *I Maga'hågan*
Guåhan, the Governor of Guam,
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Act of Guam

**PRUTEHI I HANOM ACT OF 2019 – AN ACT TO
PROTECT THE WATERS OF GUAM BY AUTHORIZING
THE ACQUISITION OF SPECIALIZED LEGAL
SERVICES, ON A CONTINGENCY FEE BASIS, TO
ASSIST IN ACTIONS TO ENSURE CLEAN AND SAFE
WATER ON GUAM.**

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Title. This Act shall be known as the Prutehi I Hanom Act of 2019.

Section 2. A new § 5004(c) is hereby *added* to Chapter 5, Subarticle A, of Article 1, Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated as follows:

§ 5004 Application of this Chapter.

(c) This Chapter shall not apply to the Office of the Attorney General for the acquisition of legal services for the pursuit of legal remedies for damage(s) to Guam's groundwater, fish, wildlife, or marine resources, or protection of these resources. An agreement for legal services executed for the before mentioned reasons shall provide:

1 (1) that the parties agree to seek monetary and non-monetary relief,
2 such as remedial relief, in favor of the Government of Guam; and
3 (2) that contingency fees shall be calculated by the trial court using the
4 Lodestar Method to establish a reasonable hourly rate and number of
5 hours subject to such rate, not to exceed 30% of the final monetary and
6 non-monetary award obtained plus costs.

7 **Section 3. Severability:** If any provision of this Act or its application to any
8 person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity *shall not* affect other provisions
9 or applications of this Act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or
10 application and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.