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	Telena Cruz Nelson	AN ACT TO ADD NEW §§ 90.36, 90.36.01, AND 90.36.02, ALL OF	10/22/19						
223-35 (COR)	Jose "Pedo" Terlaje	ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 90, TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE	3:47 p.m.						
		TO THE RENAMING AND RECLASSIFICATION OF THE CORRECTIONAL							
		FACILITY SUPERINTENDENT POSTION TO THE TITLE OF WARDEN; AN							
		ACT TO ADD A NEW § 90.17.02 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 90, TITLE 9,							
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## I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2019 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 223-35 (COR)

Introduced by:

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Telena Cruz Nelson Jose "Pedo" Terlaje

AN ACT TO ADD NEW §§ 90.36, 90.36.01, AND 90.36.02, ALL OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 90, TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE RENAMING AND RECLASSIFICATION OF THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY SUPERINTENDENT POSTION TO THE TITLE OF WARDEN; AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 90.17.02 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 90, TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE PROCEDURE AND REQUIREMENTS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A WARDEN.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- **Section 1.** Legislative Findings and Intent.
- 3 I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds that correctional facilities are paramount to
- 4 ensuring the safety of the public. *I Liheslatura* finds that the Correctional Facility
- 5 Superintendent serves a crucial role in Guam's corrections system.
- 6 I Liheslatura also finds that the leaders of a correctional facility must
- 7 possess the necessary knowledge and experience to efficiently carry out the
- 8 functions of corrections systems.
- 9 I Liheslatura also finds that the Warden's ideology of penal correction
- needs to be aligned with the Director of Correction. When the leaders' vision
- 11 for the agency are synonymous, the barriers of resistance are reduced and
- potential for success is strengthened.

1	Therefore, it is the intent of <i>I Liheslaturan Guåhan</i> to rename and reclassify
2	the position of the Correctional Facility Superintendent to Warden. It is also the
3	intent of I Liheslatura to establish qualification and compensation provisions for
4	the position of Warden.
5	Section 2. A new § 90.36 of Article 1, Chapter 90, Title 9, Guam Code
6	Annotated, is hereby added to read:
7	"§ 90.36 Renaming and Reclassification of the Correctional Facility
8	Superintendent.
9	The current position of Correctional Facility Superintendent, position number
10	One Nine Five Six (1956), of the Adult Correction Facility, Department of Corrections,
11	shall be renamed to the position title of Warden.
12	(a) Upon immediate vacancy of the current holder of the position of Warden
13	through retirement, resignation, transfer, termination, or any action that
14	determines the position as vacant, the position shall be reclassified from a
15	Permanent Classified position to an Unclassified Appointed position;
16	(b) Vacancy of the position of Warden shall be filled in accordance with §
17	90.36.01 of this Chapter.
18	(c) I Liheslaturan Guåhan shall ensure full allocation for the position of Warden
19	in the Department of Corrections fiscal budget."
20	Section 3. A new § 90.36.01 of Article 1, Chapter 90, Title 9, Guam Code
21	Annotated, is <i>added</i> to read:
22	"§ 90.36.01 Appointment of the Warden of Correctional Facilities.
23	(a) The Warden of a correctional facility shall be appointed by the Director of
24	Corrections, subject to the confirmation of I Liheslaturan Guåhan, shall serve at the
25	pleasure of the Director of Corrections, and shall meet the following qualifications:
26	(1) have no less than ten (10) years of progressive experience in a
27	correctional facility, and three (3) years in a senior law enforcement

1	position, or equivalent executive management experience in the field
2	of public administration, criminal justice, or a closely related field or
3	discipline;
4	(2) graduated with a Bachelor's degree or higher in criminal justice
5	administration, public administration, sociology, or a closely related
6	field or discipline from an accredited institution recognized by the
7	Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) or its successors;
8	(3) have no felony, domestic or family violence convictions;
9	(4) have no misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude;
10	(5) submit to and pass a drug screening test, including, but not limited to,
11	urinalysis testing, unless the appointee is a current employee of the
12	Government of Guam registered with the Peace Officer Standards and
13	Training (P.O.S.T) as a peace officer occupying a Test-Designated
14	Position (TDP) pursuant to the Department's Drug-Free Workplace
15	Program;
16	(6) submit to psychological testing;
17	(7) submit to a polygraph examination; and
18	(8) submit to a thorough investigation of his or her background and moral
19	character.
20	(b) Compensation of Warden of Corrections.
21	Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person appointed by the Director
22	of Corrections and confirmed by I Liheslaturan Guåhan to be Warden of a Correctional
23	facility, and who at the time of appointment is an active member of the classified service
24	shall receive a salary established by the government of Guam compensation schedule
25	for heads of agencies equal to the Deputy Director of Corrections, or a salary equivalent
26	to the three (3) year average of the annual income earned immediately prior to
27	appointment as a Warden, whichever is greater. The three (3) year average shall be

- 1 reviewed annually to determine if mandated pay increases would have affected the three
- 2 (3) year average."
- Section 4. A new §90.36.02 of Article 1, Chapter 90, Title 9, Guam Code
- 4 Annotated, is hereby *added* to read:
- 5 <u>"§ 90.36.02. Reinstatement of the Warden to Classified Service.</u>
- A person who is an active, classified employee of the Government of Guam,
- 7 immediately prior to appointment by the Director of Corrections and confirmation by I
- 8 Liheslaturan Guåhan to be Warden of Correctional Facility shall, if not removed for
- 9 cause, be reinstated to the position he or she previously held immediately prior to such
- appointment or to an equivalent position upon expiration of appointment as a Warden."
- Section 5. Effective Date. All sections of this Act shall be effective upon
- 12 enactment.