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BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES	NOTES
C	Clynton E. Ridgell	AN ACT TO AMEND §§ 63118 AND 63122 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 63,	2/27/20						
		TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; TO ADD A NEW § 62104.1.1 TO	4:40 p.m.						
		ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 62, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; AND TO	•						
306-35 (COR)		AMEND §§ 11320 AND 11321 OF CHAPTER 11, TITLE 9, GUAM							
,		ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND REGULATIONS, RELATIVE TO LIFTING							
		RESTRICTIONS PREVENTING THE CONTROL OF THE FERAL PIG							
		POPULATION AND RESTRICTING THE RELEASE OF PIGS.							

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AN ACT TO AMEND §§ 63118 AND 63122 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 63, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; TO ADD A NEW § 62104.1.1 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 62, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; AND TO AMEND §§ 11320 AND 11321 OF CHAPTER 11, TITLE 9, GUAM **ADMINISTRATIVE** RULES AND REGULATIONS. RELATIVE TO LIFTING RESTRICTIONS PREVENTING THE CONTROL OF THE FERAL PIG POPULATION AND RESTRICTING THE RELEASE OF PIGS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds 3 that there has been an explosion in the population of feral pigs to levels that are unsafe and unsustainable. Feral pigs are an invasive species that are a threat to public 4 5 safety and the environment. Not only have feral pigs been found to cause physical harm to people and property in our community, but feral pigs also feed on local 6 farmers' crops as well as on many native species of plants that must be protected. 7 Furthermore, feral pigs' consumption of many root plants prevents these plants from retaining soil. This increases erosion, causing sediment to runoff into our oceans, choking out our coral from much needed sunlight and exacerbating coral bleaching. The increased sedimentation also contributes to fish kill events.

1	I Liheslatura	an Guåhan further finds that feral pigs are not listed as an				
2	unprotected species, providing a barrier for the community to take action for the					
3	extraction or culling of feral pigs, whether it be individuals on their private property					
4	or people contracted as a form of pest control.					
5	I Liheslatura	I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds that because of the danger this animal causes,				
6	fees for their trapping are not beneficial for our community and should be removed.					
7	Therefore, it is the intent of I Liheslaturan Guåhan to place feral pigs on the					
8	unprotected species list and to eliminate restrictions and fees for their capture and to					
9	ban the release of pigs, both domesticated and feral in the hopes of reducing this					
10	threat to public safety and our natural environment.					
11	Section 2.	§ 63118 of Article 1, Chapter 63, Title 5, Guam Code Annotated,				
12	is amended to read:					
13	"§ 63118.	Unprotected Wild Animals.				
14	The fol	llowing wild animals may be taken in the daytime:				
15	((a) Wild dogs.				
16	((b) Wild cats.				
17	((c) Reptiles.				
18	((d) Rats.				
19	((e) Feral Pigs"				
20	Section 3.	§ 63122 of Article 1, Chapter 63, Title 5, Guam Code Annotated,				
21	is amended to read:					
22	§ 6312	2. License Revocable Permit to Take Wild Birds and Wild				
23	and Feral A	nimals. Any owner or tenant of land or property that is being				
24	damaged or destroyed, or is in danger of being damaged or destroyed by any					
25	protected wild bird or wild or feral animal, may apply to the Director for a					
26	license revocable permit to take such wild bird, or wild or feral animal. The					
27	Director, upon satisfactory evidence of such damage or destruction, actual or					

1	threatened, may issue a revocable license permit for the taking of such bird or						
2	wild or feral animal. It	shall be unla	awful for any person	to violate the			
3	conditions of any license revocable permit issued under the provisions of this						
4	Section.						
5	Section 4. A new § 6210	04.3(i) of Arti	cle 1, Chapter 62, Title	e 5, Guam Code			
6	Annotated, is <i>added</i> to read:						
7	"(i) Release of Pigs. It shall be considered unlawful to release a pig,						
8	whether a captured feral pig or a pig domesticated as a pet or livestock. Once						
9	in a person's possession, pigs shall be either destroyed, slaughtered as food,						
10	or domesticated, pursuant to this Chapter."						
11	Section 5. §§ 11320 and 11321 of Article 3, Chapter 11, Title 9, Guam						
12	Administrative Rules and Regulations, are amended to read:						
13	"§ 11320. Non-Commercial Trapping License Fees and Bag Limits.						
14	Non-commercial trapping license fees and bag limits shall be as follows:						
15	Maximum number of traps shall not exceed 15 traps.						
16	Species	Fee	Season	Season			
17	(a) Deer (Cervus	\$100.00	Year-round	3			
18	mariannus)						
19	(b) Feral Asiatic water	\$250.00	Year-round	2			
20	buffalo (carabao) (Bubalus						
21	bubalis)						
22	(c) Feral pigs (Sus	\$5.00	Year-round				
23	scrofa)						
24	Only a single, non-commercial trapping license may be purchased each						
	fiscal year by any one person.						
25	fiscal year by any one pers	son.					

Commercial trapping license fees and bag limits shall be as follows: 1 Maximum number of traps shall not exceed 40. 2 **Species** Fee 3 Season Season (a) Deer (Cervus 4 \$1000.00 Year-round Unlimited 5 mariannus) 6 (b) Feral Asiatic water buffalo (carabao) (Bubalus 7 \$1000.00 Year-round Unlimited 8 bubalis) 9 (c) Feral pigs (Sus \$5.00 Year-round **Unlimited** 10 scrofa) Only a single, non-commercial trapping license may be purchased each 11 12 fiscal year by any one person. Effective Date. All sections of this Act shall be effective upon 13 Section 6. 14 enactment. 15 **Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any Section 7. person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such invalidity shall 16 17 not affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are 18 19 severable.