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#### I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES	NOTES
80-35 (COR) As amended by the Committee on Economic Development, Agriculture, Maritime Transportation, Power and Energy Utilities, and Emergency Response; an further amended on the		AN ACT TO AMEND § 8311 OF ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 8, TITLE 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO RAISING THE RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARDS OF THE GUAM POWER AUTHORITY; AND TO ADD § NEW ARTICLE § OF CHAPTER 8, TITLE 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE CREATION OF THE COMMUNITY SOLAR HOST PROGRAM.	4/10/19 11:33 a.m.	5/2/19	Committee on Economic Development, Agriculture, Maritime Transportation, Power and Energy Utilities, and Emergency Response	10/14/19 2:00 p.m.	10/23/19 11:44 a.m.  As amended by the Committee on Economic Development, Agriculture, Maritime Transportation, Power and Energy Utilities, and Emergency Response	Request: 5/3/19 Waiver: 6/13/19	
Floor	SESSION DATE	TITLE	DATE PASSED	TRANSMITTED	DUE DATE	NOTES			
	10/28/19	AN ACT TO AMEND § 8311 OF ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 8, TITLE 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO RAISING THE RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARDS OF THE GUAM POWER AUTHORITY.	10/31/19	10/31/19	11/12/19				

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### I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN Thirty-Fifth Guam Legislature

October 31, 2019

The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero I Maga'hågan Guåhan Ufisinan I Maga'håga Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Maga'håga Leon Guerrero:

Transmitted herewith are Bill Nos. 80-35 (COR), 138-35 (COR), and 187-35 (COR); and Substitute Bill No. 152-35 (COR), which were passed by *I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on October 31, 2019.

Sincerely,

AMANDA L. SHELTON Legislative Secretary

Enclosure (4)



### I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2019 (FIRST) Regular Session

## CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'HÂGAN GUÂHAN

This is to certify that Bill No. 80-35 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND § 8311 OF ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 8, TITLE 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO RAISING THE RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARDS OF THE GUAM POWER AUTHORITY," was on the 31st day of October 2019, duly and regularly passed. Tina Rose Muña Barnes Speaker Attested: Amanda L. Shelton Legislative Secretary This Act was received by I Maga'hågan Guåhan this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of Datober, 2019, at 5:55 o'clock P.M. 5/21--Assistant Staff Officer Maga'håga's Office APPROVED: Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date:

Public Law No.

# I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2019 (FIRST) Regular Session

#### Bill No. 80-35 (COR)

As amended by the Committee on Economic Development, Agriculture, Maritime Transportation, Power and Energy Utilities, and Emergency Response; and further amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AMEND § 8311 OF ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 8, TITLE 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO RAISING THE RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARDS OF THE GUAM POWER AUTHORITY.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds
- 3 that the renewable portfolio standards found in § 8311 of Article 3, Chapter 8, Title
- 4 12, Guam Code Annotated, were set over ten (10) years ago by the enactment of
- 5 Public Law 29-62. Due to advancements in technology and innovation, and the hard

work of the employees of the Guam Power Authority (GPA), the goal of twenty-five percent (25%) net electricity sales from renewable energy has nearly been met more than fifteen (15) years before its target date of 2035.

*I Liheslatura* further finds that the continuing advancement in technology for renewable energy, and the expansion of services that reduce reliance on fossil fuels has spurred global interest in addressing climate change issues, access to affordable energy solutions, economic development, and job growth.

I Liheslatura recognizes that GPA anticipates total generation capacity from renewable energy sources to produce more than two hundred megawatts (200 MW) of energy from renewable sources, to include technology that is capable of providing storage for shifting energy produced for use in the evening hours. Industry outlook across the nation suggests that continual improvements in solar energy technology to address intermittency and energy shifting will be able to meet total generation needs.

The United States Energy Information Administration's Annual Outlook 2019 report forecasts a continual increase in the cost of oil over the next thirty (30) years. Meanwhile, renewable energy costs have dropped significantly in recent years and have already proved to be less expensive than fossil fuel-based power production. Local renewable industry experts on Guam have testified that all forecasts indicate that renewable energy technologies will continue to improve and continue to decrease in price. A majority of the cost of power production on Guam is attributed to fuel costs. Guam does not possess any natural resources that can produce fuel other than renewable resources. Guam's energy production costs and capabilities are currently at the mercy of the very volatile international fossil fuel market.

The money spent on purchasing fossil fuels for power production leaves the local economy and increases the island's capital flight. Any money saved on purchasing fuel for power production would stay in the local economy. Renewable

1	energy therefore provides an avenue for reducing capital flight by creating a closed-						
2	loop power generation system and advancing a more circular economy. It is						
3	appropriate, then, to raise our renewable portfolio standards to match our current						
4	capabilities as we continue to modernize our island.						
5	Therefore, it is the intent of I Liheslaturan Guåhan to further develop						
6	renewable energy production through wind, solar, ocean thermal, wave and biomass						
7	resources, decrease our reliance on oil and fossil fuels, reduce costs of power						
8	production, reduce capital flight, create a closed-loop power generation system,						
9	advance a circular economy, and establish energy independence.						
10	Section 2. § 8311 of Article 3, Chapter 8, Title 12, Guam Code Annotated,						
11	is hereby amended to read as follows:						
12	"§ 8311. Renewable Portfolio Standards.						
13	The Guam Power Authority shall establish a preliminary renewables						
14	portfolio standard goal of:						
15	(a) five percent (5%) of its net electricity sales by December						
16	31, 2015;						
17	(b) fifty percent (50%) of its net electricity sales by December						
18	31, 2035; and						
19	(c) one hundred percent (100%) of its net electricity sales by						
20	December 31, 2045.						
21	The amount of renewable capacity may be subject to engineering and						
22	economic analysis by the Guam Power Authority; provided, that such changes						
23	are subsequently approved by the Public Utilities Commission. For the						
24	purposes of this Article, nuclear power shall not qualify as a renewable energy						
25	source."						

Section 3. Effective Date. This Act shall be effective upon enactment.