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## I MINA TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN COMBANEMENT RECEPT

Bill No. 3/3 -30 (COR)

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AMEND § 7119 OF TITLE 22 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE 1 RELATIVE TO COMPUTING THE NON-IMMIGRANT TEMPORARY WORKER REGISTRATION FEE FOR EACH NON-IMMIGRANT WORKER ON A PRO-RATED LENGTH OF TIME NO GREATER THAN THE LENGTH OF TIME THE WORKER IS LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO BE IN GUAM FOR EMPLOYMENT PURPOSES.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslatura finds that
- 3 the non-immigrant temporary worker fee currently being charged by the
- 4 Guam Department of Labor is assessed annually for each year or
- fraction thereof that the worker will be in Guam, despite the fact that 5
- 6 many non-immigrant temporary workers, especially those whose skills
- in certain construction-related areas, are needed for much less than a 7
- 8 year.

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- 9 I Liheslatura finds that a more reasonable approach to determining
- 10 a fair and reasonable fee would be to base it upon the time each
- 11 individual worker is legally authorized to be in Guam for employment
- purposes. I Liheslatura additionally finds that such fee, if for only a 12

- 1 portion of a year, should be calculated on a calendar month basis, thus
- 2 enabling employers to pay fees more closely linked to the actual time
- 3 each worker will be employed in Guam.
- 4 It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslatura* to amend § 7119 of Title 22
- 5 Guam Code Annotated relative to the "Non-Immigrant Temporary
- 6 Worker Registration Fee" to the time allotted in an individual worker's
- 7 visa to be the determining factor in the calculation of such Fee.
- 8 Section 2. Registration Fee. § 7119 (a) of Title 22 Guam Code
- 9 Annotated, Chapter 7, Article 1 is amended to read:
- 10 "§7119. Non-Immigrant Temporary Worker Registration
- 11 **Fee.**

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(a) The Guam Department of Labor is authorized to collect a registration fee of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) annually per non-immigrant temporary worker for each calendar year or [a fraction thereof] Eighty Four Dollars (\$84.00) per month, including any fraction of a month thereof, from the employer of each non-immigrant temporary worker, payable at the time of registration by the non-immigrant worker. Such registration fee shall be based on a time no greater than the non-immigrant worker's visa authorizes the worker to legally stay and work in Guam."