I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2010 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 365-30 (cor)

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW 28-71 RELATIVE TO APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ISSUANCE OF GUAM WATERWORKS AUTHORITY REVENUE BONDS

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

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- 3 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds
- 4 that in order for Guam Waterworks Authority ("GWA") to finance the
- 5 projects necessary to continue to make progress in implementing the projects
- 6 described in the Stipulated Order with the United States Environmental
- 7 Protection Agency which outlines the corrective actions that GWA shall
- 8 undertake, it may be advantageous for GWA to issue "Build America
- 9 Bonds" under which GWA would pay taxable interest and receive interest
- 10 subsidy payments from the federal government rather than paying tax-
- 11 exempt interest. In addition, whether or not the GWA bonds are Build
- 12 America Bonds, the net interest rates available to GWA in the financial
- markets may exceed the interest rate limit established in GWA's 2005 bond
- 14 approval.
- 15 **Section 2.** Section 4 of Public Law 28-71 is hereby amended to read as
- 16 follows:
- 17 "Section 4. Approval of Guam Waterworks Authority Revenue Bonds. The
- Legislature, I Liheslaturan Guåhan, pursuant to Section 50103 of Title 12 of

1 the Guam Code Annotated, hereby approves the issuance and sale by the Authority of revenue bonds pursuant to Article 2, Chapter 14, Title 12, 2 Guam Code Annotated (the "Act") in one or more series or issues; provided 3 that the issuance, terms and conditions of the bonds shall have been 4 approved by the Guam Public Utilities Commission, and further provided 5 that such bonds shall have a principal amount not to exceed Two Hundred 6 7 Twenty Million Dollars (\$220,000,000), shall have a final maturity not later than 2055, shall bear interest at such rate or rates and shall be sold for such 8 price or prices as shall result in a net yield to the bondholders not exceeding 9 Six and One half percent (6.5%) seven and one-half percent (7.5%) per 10 annum, (treating payments and receipts under any interest rate hedging 11 contracts as if they were payments to and receipts from the bondholders) 12 shall be issued and sold in the manner, for the purposes and subject to the 13 requirements and limitations provided in Article 2, Chapter 14, Title 12, 14 15 Guam Code Annotated, and shall be issued pursuant to an Indenture in substantially the form as attached to this Act as Exhibit A. Net yield to 16 the bondholders shall be calculated by subtracting any interest subsidy 17 amounts to be received from the United States in connection with such 18 bonds from the amount of interest to be paid to bondholders." 19 20 Section 3. **Severability.** If any provision of this law or its application to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such 21 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this law which 22 23 can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this 24 end the provisions of this law are severable.