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Bill No. 22-30 (LS)

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AMEND 4 GCA §4109(a) RELATIVE TO ELIMINATING ANNUAL LEAVE FOR JUDGES AND JUSTICES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Intent. Public Law 29-019:VI:60 (Sept. 27, 2009) amended 4 GCA §4109(a) and inadvertently repealed the exemption of judges and justices from earning annual leave provided for by Public Law 28-137 (July 11, 2006). This law is intended to restore judges and justices exemption from annual leave which was a significant component of P.L. 28-137, the Judicial Efficiency Act of 2006, to adjust judges' compensation, improve the dispatch of cases and increase efficiency in the Judicial Branch of Guam.

Section 2. §4109(a) of Title 4 Guam Code Annotated is *amended* as follows:

“§ 4109. Annual Leave.

(a) Annual leave *shall* be granted to employees occupying permanent positions, except personnel of the ~~Guam Public School System~~ Department of Education, the Guam Community College *or* the University of Guam, who are employed on a school year basis, and judges of the Superior Court and justices of the Supreme Court in accordance with the following schedule:

(1) One-half day (4 hours) for each full bi-weekly pay period in the case of employees with *less than* five (5) years of service;

1 (2) Three-fourths day (6 hours) for each bi-weekly pay period in the case of
2 employees with five (5) years of service but *less than* fifteen (15) years of service.

3 (3) One (1) day (8 hours) for each full biweekly pay period in the case of
4 employees with fifteen (15) years *or* more service.

5 For purposes of this Subsection (a), all elected officials except members of the Guam
6 Education Policy Board, and the Consolidated Commission on Utilities *shall* be deemed
7 employees occupying permanent positions.”