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**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9 OF PUBLIC LAW 30-25,
RELATIVE TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING
CODE.**

1 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

2 **Section 1. Legislative Intent.** The adoption of the International Building Code will
3 require a transitional period during which the Department of Public Works Building Permits and
4 Inspection section must become familiar with the code provisions which are different in application
5 than the currently used Uniform Building Code. In discussions with officials from the Department of
6 Public Works it was estimated that a one hundred eighty (180) day period would be sufficient time
7 for the transition. However, this adoption also means the Guam Fire Department will have to
8 become familiar with the differences in the application of the International Building Code as it
9 relates to fire protection systems and other requirements it enforces. By changing to this new code,
10 the Guam Fire Department will have to migrate from the Uniform Fire Code to the International Fire
11 Code to ensure compatibility between codes. It is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to minimize
12 confusion over which building codes and fire codes are to be followed when applicants are
13 submitting their plans for review and approval. Therefore, the effective date of the implementation
14 of the International Building Code shall be amended from December 14, 2009 to June 1, 2010.

15 **Section 2.** Section 9 of P.L. 30-25 is amended to read:

16 **“Section 9. Effective Date.** This Act *shall* be effective on [~~the one hundred eighty-first (1~~
17 ~~81”) calendar day following enactment into law] June 1, 2010.”~~