

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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As amended.

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Relative to amending Rule 27, Section 17.09 and 17.11.01, *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* Standing Rules.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**

1 **WHEREAS**, the Conservation Officers of the Department of Agriculture
2 perform a law enforcement function relating to specialized laws involving
3 wildlife protection and preservation; and

4 **WHEREAS**, under the Thirtieth (30th) Guam Legislature Standing Rules,
5 the oversight of the Department of Agriculture falls under the Committee on
6 Rules, Natural Resources, Federal, Foreign and Micronesian Affairs; and

7 **WHEREAS**, oversight of law enforcement functions traditionally fall
8 under the purview of a Public Safety/Law Enforcement Committee; and

9 **WHEREAS**, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to ensure that the
10 oversight of the Conservation Officers of the Department of Agriculture and
11 their law enforcement function also fall under the Committee on Public
12 Safety, Law Enforcement and Senior Citizens; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Rule 27, Section 17.09, *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*
14 Standing Rules is hereby *amended* to read:

15 **"Section 17.09. Committee on Public Safety, Law Enforcement,**
16 **and Senior Citizens.** The Committee on Public Safety, Law
17 Enforcement, and Senior Citizens *shall* have purview over:

18 (i) All matters related to the Peace Officers Standards & Training Act
19 (POST);

20 (ii) All matters relating to the Guam Fire Department, the Guam
21 Police Department, the Department of Corrections, the Plant
22 Protection and Quarantine division of the Department of

- 1 Customs, the Territorial Park Patrol, the Chief Medical Examiner,
2 and the Conservation Officers, a law enforcement function of the
3 Department of Agriculture;
- 4 (iii) All matters related to public safety and protection, as exercised by
5 any autonomous agency, including the Guam Airport Authority
6 Police and the Guam Port Authority Police;
- 7 (iv) All matters relating to the Department of Law and the Public
8 Defender Service Corporation or their successors;
- 9 (v) All matters relating to the practice of law on Guam, and the
10 admission to practice;
- 11 (vi) All statutes of a penal nature;
- 12 (vii) All matters relating to Consumer Rights and Consumer Affairs;
- 13 (viii) All matters relating to the Motor Vehicle Code and to traffic and
14 highway safety generally;
- 15 (ix) All matters relating to Senior Citizens of Guam and their activities;
16 *and*
- 17 (x) All matters relating to the Division of Senior Citizens of the
18 Department of Public Health and Social Services.”

1 **WHEREAS**, Rule XVII, Section 17.11.01, *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan*
2 *Guåhan* Standing Rules is hereby *amended* to read:

3 **"Section 17.11.01.** The Committee on **Rules, Natural**
4 **Resources, Federal, Foreign, and Micronesian Affairs** *shall* have
5 purview over:

6 (i) All matters relative to the Guam Environmental Protection
7 Agency, including the Recycling Revolving Fund, and the
8 Department of Agriculture, *except* for the Conservation Officers
9 and their law enforcement function.

10 (ii) All matters relative to the protection of Guam's natural
11 environment, inclusive of air, land and seas, and all matters
12 relative to the safety of Guam's natural drinking water resources;

13 (iii) All matters relating to the Federal-Guam relationship between
14 Guam and the United States of America, and to any proposed
15 changes in Guam's political status;

16 (iv) All United States laws, regulations, treaties, compacts and
17 agreements affecting Guam;

18 (v) All matters relating to Federal lands and Federal immigration law,
19 including visas, and all matters pertaining to Guam's interaction
20 with any agency, branch or instrumentality of the Federal
21 Government except for the U.S. Department of Defense;

- 1 (vi) If a Guam constitution be considered and adopted, all matters
2 relating to the same as well as all matters pertaining to the
3 Organic Act and any changes or amendments thereto;
- 4 (vii) All matters relating to the Commission on Decolonization, and
5 such authorities as are granted under statute, resolution, or
6 executive order to the former Committees on Federal and Foreign
7 Affairs for which this Committee is successor;
- 8 (viii) All matters relating to relations between Guam and the fifty States
9 individually and in organizations, inclusive of the Western
10 Legislative Conference (WLC);
- 11 (ix) All matters relating to relations between Guam and the
12 Micronesian Area States, inclusive of the Association of Pacific
13 Island Legislatures to which the Committee Chair shall serve as an
14 appointee to the Board from *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*;
- 15 (x) All matter relating to relations between Guam and foreign
16 governments;" now, therefore, be it

17 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on
18 behalf of the people of Guam, amend Rule XVII, Sections 17.09 and 17.11.01,
19 and be it further,

20 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and Legislative Secretary attest
21 to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted
22 to the Department of Agriculture; to all senators; to the Legislative Legal

- 1 Counsel(s); to the Clerk of the Legislature; and to the Honorable Felix P.
- 2 Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 29TH DAY OF JUNE 2009.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



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