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The Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco Speaker Mina'Bente Kuåttro na Liheslaturan Guåhan Twenty-Fourth Guam Legislature Guam Legislature Temporary Building 155 Hesler Street Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Speaker Unpingco:

OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY

ADMINISTRATION RECEIPT

2.54 pm

12.28.98

Enclosed please find Substitute Bill No. 696 (COR), "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 12, DIVISION 1, PART 1 OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS OF GUAM", which I have signed into law today as Public Law No. 24-321.

This legislation appears to have been rushed. Some of its provisions are inconsistent with other provisions and revisions need to be made for consistency.

The following items need to be corrected:

1) Public Law No. 24-208, Bill No. 595 recently enacted, states:

"Section 2. Transfer. Sections 12201 through 12205 of Article 2, Chapter 12 of Title 10 of the Guam Code Annotated are hereby recodified to and made a part of Article 1, Chapter 12 of Title 10 of the Guam Code Annotated. The Compiler of Laws is hereby authorized to renumber and/or codify those Sections transferred herein."

Office of the Speaker ANTONIO R. UNPINGCO

Time:_

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These "transferred" sections do not appear in Public Law No. 24-208, yet it seems that they still exist as enacted in law prior to Public Law No. 24-208.

§§12201, 12202, and 12204 are amended in Substitute Bill No. 695, and can be seen there as §§12102, 12103, and 12104, respectively.

It is not clear what happens to §12203 (Same: Licenses), 12205 (Board of Examiners), 12206 (Examinations), and 12207 (Examination Facilities) of Article 2 of Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, as they appear prior to the enactment of Public Law No. 24-208. Are they retained and to be recodified by the Compilor of Laws?

- 2) For some unknown reason, i Liheslatura repeated §§12101 of Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, consisting of approximately 13 pages, with no change other than the addition of the professions of respiratory therapy, nutritionist/clinical dietician, and cosmetology to the chapter as healing arts. However, in the repetition of these pages, some small changes which may or may not be intended were made:
 - a) Page 3, line 23 of the bill inserts the word, "prevention" into the definition of healing art. This did not appear in the original legislation.
 - b) Page 10, line 18 of the bill reverses the order of the words in the phrase "the members of which" to read instead, "of which the members".
 - c) Numberous words are italicized, with no apparent reason. Italicizing is usually reserved for foreign words. Some of the words italicized are: "and", "other", "all", "or" and other such words.

This legislation presents some improvements to the law on the healing arts. It recognizes that there are a number of healing arts professions which are well developed and have their own boards, administer tests and apply other professional standards, and that it is inappropriate for these boards to have their procedures approved or adopted by the Commission on the Healing Arts. For this reason, the name of the Commission is

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changed from "Commission on Licensure to Practice the Healing Arts of Guam" to "Commission on the Healing Arts of Guam". This is appropriate.

The legislation also adds 3 members to the Commission on the Healing Arts, and these are professions which have their own boards and apply their own professional standards. These professions are Pharmacy, Optometry, and Cosmetology.

Very truly yours,

Carl T. C. Gutierrez

I Maga'lahen Guåhan Governor of Guam

Attachment:

copy attached for signed bill

original attached for vetoed bill

cc: The Honorable Joanne M. S. Brown

Legislative Secretary

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MINA'BENTE KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN 1998 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUAHAN

This is to certify that Substitute Bill No. 696 (COR), "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 12, DIVISION 1, PART 1 OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS OF GUAM," was on the 11th day of December, 1998, duly and regularly passed. ANTÓNIO R. UNPINGCO Speaker Attested: IOANNÉ M.S. BROWN Senator and Legislative Secretary This Act was received by I Maga'lahen Guahan this 164 day of at //://o_o'clock A_.M. Maga'lahi's Office

APPROVED:

CARL T. C. GUTIERREZ I Maga'lahen Guahan

Date: 12-28-98
Public Law No. 24-321

MINA'BENTE KUATTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN 1998 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 696 (COR)

As substituted by the Author and as further substituted on the Floor and amended.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 12, DIVISION 1, PART 1 OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS OF GUAM.

1	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:					
2	Section 1. Article 1 of Chapter 12, Division 1, Part 1 of Title 10 of the					
3	Guam Code Annotated is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows:					
4	"ARTICLE 1.					
5	COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS OF GUAM.					
6	Section 12101.	Defi	Definitions.			
7		(a)	Disease.			
8		(b)	The Healing Art.			
9		(c)	To Practice.			
10		(d)	Commission.			
11		(e)	Practice of Optometry.			
12		(f)	Practice of Nursing.			
13		(g)	Chiropractic.			
14		(h)	Practice of Dentistry.			
15		(i)	The Practice of Medicine.			
16		(j)	Practice of Podiatry.			
17		(k)	Practice of Clinical Psychology.			
18		(1)	Practice of Osteopathy.			
19		(m)	Practice of Pharmacy.			
20		(n)	Physical Therapy.			
21		(o)	Practice of Veterinary Medicine.			
22		(p)	Acupuncture.			
23		(q)	Speech-Language Pathology and			
24			Audiology.			
25		(r)	Physician Assistants.			
26		(s)	Individual, Family and Marriage			

1	Therapist.
2	(t) The Practice of Occupational
3	Therapy.
4	(u) The Practice of Respiratory Therapy.
5	(v) The Practice of Clinical Dietary.
6	(w) The Practice of Cosmetology.
7	(x) Other Healing Arts Profession as
8	Allowed by Guam Laws.
9	Section 12102. Prohibition.
10	Section 12103. Commission.
11	Section 12104. Personnel.
12	Section 12105. Board of Examiners.
13	Section 12106. Codification.
14	Section 12107. Severability.
15	Section 12108. Effective Date.
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17	Section 12101. Definitions. For the purpose of this Chapter
18	the following words and phrases shall have the meanings assigned to
19	them, respectively, except where the context otherwise requires:
20	(a) 'Disease' means any blemish, defect, deformity,
21	infirmity, disorder or injury of the human body or mind, or of
22	pregnancy and the effects of any of them.
23	(b) 'The Healing Art' means the art of prevention, detecting
24	or attempting to detect the presence of any disease; of determining
25	or attempting to determine the nature and state of any disease, if

present; or preventing, relieving, correcting or curing of or attempting to prevent, relieve, correct or cure any disease; of safeguarding or attempting to safeguard the life of any woman or infant through pregnancy and parturition; and of doing or attempting to do any of the acts enumerated in this Subsection. The healing arts include, but are not limited to, optometry, nursing, chiropractic, dentistry, medicine and surgery, physician assistants, podiatry, psychology, osteopathic, pharmacy, physical therapy, acupuncture, speech language pathology, audiology, respiratory therapy, nutritionist/clinical dietician, cosmetology and veterinary medicine.

- (c) 'To Practice' means to do or attempt to do, or to hold oneself out or to allow oneself to be held out as ready to do, any act enumerated in Subsection (b) of this Section as constituting a part of the healing art for a fee, gift, reward or in anticipation of any fee, gift or reward whether tangible or intangible.
- (d) 'Commission' means the Commission of Healing Arts created by this Chapter.
- (e) 'Practice of Optometry' means engaging in that primary healthcare profession, of which the members examine, diagnose, manage, and treat certain conditions and diseases of the human eye, visual systems and associated structures. It includes, but is not limited to, the use of any means or methods for the purpose of determining the refractive condition of the human eye or any muscular or visual anomalies thereof, and employing, adapting or

prescribing of lenses, prisms, contact lenses or other ophthalmic appliances. Optometrists certified pursuant to §12508 of this Title are authorized to make use of diagnostic or selected therapeutic pharmaceutical agents, based on the following conditions and limitations.

- (1) Independent use of the following therapeutic pharmaceutical agents as topical preparations: non-steroidal anti-allergics, antibacterials and cycloplegics.
- (2) Under a co-management arrangement with an ophthalmologist, the following additional agents may be utilized: oral anti-allergics, oral antibacterials, topical or oral anti-glaucoma agents, topical anti-inflammatories, topical anti-virals and oral analgesics.
- (3) Co-management is an agreement by which an optometrist and an ophthalmologist share responsibility for patient care.
- (4) Optometrists are prohibited from performing surgery. 'Surgery,' as used in reference to the human eye and its appendages, means any procedure in which human tissue is cut or burned. Surgical procedures include the use of sharp-edged instruments or lasers to cut or burn tissue for therapeutic or photorefractive purposes, but do *not* include the removal of superficial foreign bodies. A superficial foreign body is defined as one that has *not* penetrated deeper than the epithelium.

(5) Optometrists utilizing pharmaceutical agents shall be held to the same standard of care as would a physician using the same agents.

(f) 'Practice of Nursing' means:

- (1) The 'Practice of Professional Nursing' means the performance for compensation of any act in helping people cope with difficulties in daily living which are associated with their actual or potential health problems or illness problems, or the treatment thereof, which require a substantial amount of scientific knowledge in the biological, physical and social sciences and technical skills, and includes all of the following:
 - (i) direct and indirect patient care services that insure the safety, comfort, personal hygiene and protection of patients, and the performance of disease prevention and restorative measures;
 - (ii) direct and indirect patient care services including, but not limited to, the administration of medications and therapeutic agents necessary to implement a treatment, disease prevention or rehabilitative regime prescribed by a licensed physician or dentist;
 - (iii) the performance, according to standardized procedures, of basic health care, testing and preventative procedures, including, but not

limited to, skin tests, immunization techniques and the withdrawal of human blood from veins and arteries; *or*

- (iv) observation of signs and symptoms of illness, reactions to treatment, general behavior or general physical conditions; *and*:
 - (aa) determination of whether such signs, symptoms, reactions, behavior or general appearance exhibit abnormal characteristics; and
 - (bb) implementation, based on observed abnormalities, appropriate reporting, referral, standardized procedures, changes in treatment regime in accordance with standardized procedures or the initiation of emergency procedures. Standardized procedures as used in this Section means policies and protocols developed through collaboration among administrators, physicians, nurses and other health professionals of an organized health care system.
- (2) 'Practice of Practical Nursing' means the performance for compensation of technical services requiring basic knowledge of the biological, physical, behavioral, psychological and sociological sciences of nursing procedures. These standardized procedures leading to predictable outcomes in the observation and care of the ill,

injured and infirm, and in the administration of medication and treatments prescribed by any authorized person.

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'Chiropractic' means the science, art and philosophy of things natural, the science of locating and removing interference with the transmissions or expression of nerve forces in the human body, by the correction of misalignments or subluxation of the articulations and adjacent structures, more especially those of the vertebral column and pelvis, for the purpose of restoring and maintaining health. It shall include the use of all natural agencies to assist in the healing art, such as food, water, heat, cold, electricity and mechanical appliances. The use of X-ray procedures shall be limited to skeletal X-rays, and shall exclude the therapeutic use of X-radiation, the use of contrast studies that introduce dyes, isotopes or similar contrast media through the skin, orally, via catheterization or retrograde into any body cavity. It shall exclude operative surgery, prescription or use of drugs or medicine, and laboratory procedures involved in the penetration of human tissues.

(h) 'Practice of Dentistry' means:

(1) the diagnosis, treatment, correction, change, relief, prevention, prescription of remedy or surgical operation for any disease, pain, deformity, deficiency, injury, lesion or other physical condition of human teeth, gums, jaws, oral cavity or adjacent tissues by an individual or his agent or employee, including the prescription or

1	administration of any drug, medicine, biological, prosthetic
2	apparatus, brace, device, anesthetic or other therapeutic or
3	diagnostic substance or technique;
4	(2) the representation, directly or indirectly, publicly
5	or privately, of an ability or willingness to do any act
6	mentioned in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection; or
7	(3) with specific reference to the teeth, gums, jaws,
8	oral cavity or adjacent tissues in living persons, for an
9	individual, his agent or employee to do, propose, agree or
10	attempt to do or make an examination, or give an estimate of
11	cost with intent to:
12	(i) perform surgery, an extraction or any other
13	operation, or to administer an anesthetic in connection
14	therewith;
15	(ii) diagnose or treat any condition, disease,
16	pain, deformity, deficiency, injury, lesion or other
17	physical condition;
18	(iii) correct a malposition;
19	(iv) treat a fracture;
20	(v) remove calcareous deposits;
21	(vi) replace missing anatomy with an artificial
22	substitute;
23	(vii) construct, make, furnish, supply,
24	reproduce, alter or repair an artificial substitute, or
25	restorative or corrective appliance, or take orders for

such work from either a regularly licensed dentist, or place an artificial substitute or restorative or corrective appliance in the mouth or attempt to adjust it;

- (viii) give interpretations or readings of dental roentgenogram; or
- (ix) do any other remedial, corrective or restorative work.
- (i) 'Practice of Medicine' means the diagnosis, correction and treatment in any manner or by any means, methods, devices or instrumentalities of any disease, illness, pain, wound, fracture, infirmity, deformity, defect or abnormal, physical and mental condition, including physician assistants under the supervision of a licensed physician of medicine, but does not include the practice of dentistry, podiatry, nursing, optometry, psychology, chiropractic or pharmacy by a person licensed under the provisions of this Chapter.
- (j) 'Practice of Podiatry' means engaging in that primary health care profession, of which the members examine, diagnose, treat and prevent by medical, surgical and mechanical means ailments affecting the human foot and ankle, and the structures governing their functions, but does not include amputation of the foot or the personal administration of a general anesthetic. A 'podiatrist,' under the laws of Guam, is defined as a foot or podiatric physician.

(k) 'Practice of Clinical Psychology' means the assessing and alleviating of emotional and mental disorder in a hospital or clinical setting.

- (l) 'Practice of Osteopathy' means subscribing to, as a complete school of medicine and surgery, use of all methods of diagnosis and treatment in health and disease, including, without limitation, the prescribing and administration of drugs and biological of all kinds, operative surgery, obstetrics, radiological and other electro-magnetic emission, and placing special emphasis on the inter-relationship of musculoskeletal system to all of the body systems.
- (m) 'Practice of Pharmacy' means engaging in the preparation, compounding and dispensing of drugs and includes the identification, preservation, proper and safe storage, selection, combination, analysis, standardization, labeling and distribution of drugs, the proper maintenance of any records required by Federal or Guam law, and counseling with respect to pharmaceutical practices.
- (n) 'Physical Therapy' means treatment by the use of exercise, traction, massage, heat, cold, water, radiant energy, electricity or sound for the purpose of correcting or alleviating any physical or mental disability; or the performance of neuro-musculoskeletal, respiratory and circulatory tests and measurements to determine the existence of body malfunction;

provided, however, that physical therapy shall *not* include radiology or electrosurgery.

- (o) 'Practice of Veterinary Medicine' means:
- (1) the diagnosis, treatment, correction, in any manner or by any means change, relief or prevention of animal disease, deformity, defect, injury or other physical or mental condition, including the prescription or administration of any drug, medicine, biologic, apparatus, application, surgery, anesthetic or other therapeutic or diagnostic substance or technique, and the use of any procedure for artificial insemination, testing for pregnancy, diagnosing and treating sterility or infertility, or rendering advice with regard to any of these;
- (2) the representation, directly or indirectly, publicly or privately, of an ability and willingness to do any act mentioned in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection; *or*
- (3) the use of any title, words, abbreviation or letters in a manner, or under circumstances, which includes the belief that the person using them is qualified to do any act mentioned in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection.
- (p) 'Acupuncture' means a therapy developed by the ancient Chinese that consists of stimulation of designated points on the skin by insertion of needles, application of heat, massage or a combination of these.
 - (q) 'Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology' means:

- (1) 'Practice of Speech-Language Pathology' means the rendering or offering to render to individuals, groups, organizations or the public any service in speech or language pathology involving the non-medical application of principles, methods and procedures for the measurement, testing, diagnosis, prediction, counseling and instruction related to the development and disorders of speech, voice or language for the purpose of non-medical diagnosing, preventing, treating and ameliorating such disorders and conditions in individuals and groups of individuals; and
- (2) 'Practice of Audiology' means the application of principles, methods and procedures of measurement, testing, appraisal, prediction, aural rehabilitation, aural habilitation, consultation, hearing-aid selection, counseling, instruction and research related to hearing, and disorders of hearing, for the purpose of non-medical diagnosis, prevention, identification, amelioration or the modification of communicative disorders, involving speech, language, auditory function or other aberrant behavior related to hearing disorders.
- (r) 'Physician Assistants' means a skilled individual nationally certified by examination, administered by the National Certifying Commission for Physician Assistants, as being qualified by practical and academic training to provide a specific medical service delegated to him by a licensed physician or group of

physicians who is responsible for the performance of that physician assistant. Licensure requirements and scope and procedures of practice for such individuals are to be promulgated by the Board of Allied Health Professionals.

- (s) 'Individual, Family and Marriage Therapist' means a skilled individual qualified by practical and academic training to provide planned intervention to help the client(s) enlarge competencies, and increase problem solving skills and coping abilities. Licensure requirements and scope and procedures of practice for such individuals shall be promulgated by the Board of Allied Health Examiners.
- (t) 'Practice of Occupational Therapy' means the treatment provided to people whose lives have been disrupted by physical injury or illness, developmental problems, the aging process or psychosocial difficulties in order to assist each individual to achieve and/or return to an independent and productive life by teaching the individual techniques to prevent disability, by assisting the individual in recovery from illness or accident, and by promoting the development of functions which have been impaired or delayed. The treatment provided may include, but shall not be limited to, the adaptation of the environment and selection, design and fabrication or assistive and orthotic devices, and other technology to facilitate development and promote the acquisition of functional skills.

(u) 'Practice of Respiratory Therapy' means the treatment and the management of pulmonary diseases with medications and machines provided to patients whose condition or illness is that of breathing.

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- (v) 'Practice of Nutritionist/Clinical Dietary' means the development and coordination of menu planning to combine foods for maximum nutritional value, taste and eye appeal to meet individual nutritional needs and preferences.
- (w) 'Practice of Cosmetology' means any and all, or any combination of the following practices: arranging, dressing, curling, waving, machineless permanent waiving, permanent waving, cleansing, cutting, singeing, bleaching, tinting, coloring, straightening, dyeing, brushing, beautifying or otherwise treating by any means the hair of any person. The massaging, cleaning or stimulating the scalp, face, neck, arms, bust or upper part of the human body, by means of the hands, devices, apparatus or appliances, with or without the use of cosmetic preparations, antiseptics, tonics, lotions or creams. Beautifying the face, neck, arms, bust or upper part of the human body, by use of cosmetic preparations, antiseptics, tonics, lotions or creams. The removing of superfluous hair from the body of any person by the use of electrolysis, or by the use of depilatories or by the use of tweezers, chemicals, preparations or by the use of devices or appliances of any kind or description, except by the use of light waves, commonly known as rays. The cutting, trimming, polishing,

tinting, coloring, cleansing or manicuring the nails of any person; and, the massaging, cleansing, treating or beautifying the hands of any person.

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(x) Other Healing Arts Profession as allowed by Guam Laws.

Section 12102. Prohibition. No person shall practice the healing art on Guam who is *not*: (a) licensed so to do under the provisions of this Article; *or* (b) exempted under the provisions of this Chapter.

No person shall practice the healing art on Guam otherwise than in accordance with the terms of his license, or of his registration as the case may be.

There within the Section 12103. Commission. (a) is government of Guam a 'Commission on the Healing Arts of Guam,' ('Commission') consisting of eleven (11) members appointed by I Maga'lahen Guahan as follows: the Director of Public Health and Social Services, or a designee from the Department; the Chairperson of the Board of Nurse Examiners; the Chairperson of the Board of Medical Examiners; the Chairperson of the Board of Examiners for Dentistry; the Chairperson of the Board of Examiners for Pharmacy; the Chairperson of the Board of Allied Health Examiners; the Chairperson of the Board of Examiners for Optometry; the Chairperson of Board of Cosmetology; the Chief Medical Officer of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority; the Director of the Department of Mental Health and Substance

Abuse, or a designee from the Department; and one (1) member from the Mayors Council.

The Commission shall elect a president and vice-president. The Director of the Department of Public Health and Social Services, or the designee of the Director, shall be the secretary and treasurer of the Commission.

- (b) The Commission shall make, and from time to time may alter, such rules as it deems necessary for the conduct of its business and for the execution and enforcement of the provisions of this Chapter.
- (c) The Commission shall review rules and regulations promulgated by the Board of Medical Examiners, Board of Nurse Examiners, Board of Examiners for Dentistry, Board of Examiners for Optometry, Board of Examiners for Pharmacy, Board of Allied Health Examiners, and Board of Cosmetology for the purpose of standardizing, as much as possible, requirements for licensure for all professions in the practice of healing arts.
- (d) The Commission shall maintain a register of all persons licensed to practice the healing art on Guam, and each Board shall notify the Commission *not less than* annually of persons licensed under its supervision.
- (e) The Commission shall meet at least annually to review and make recommendations to the Division of Health Planning within DISID any plans relative to the community needs assessment and recommendation in areas of health manpower

resources for licensed professionals in the healing arts, and other related health services.

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Department Public The of Section 12104. Personnel. Health and Social Services shall be the Department responsible for the implementation of this Act and may establish the Division of Commission of the Healing Arts and Licensure for the purpose of this The Director of the Department of Public Health and Social Services shall provide such office space, staff, supplies, equipment, vehicle and assistants as may be necessary for the work of the Commission for each of the examining boards, including statutorily created boards and the execution and enforcement of this Chapter. The Attorney General shall provide legal services to the Commission and the Boards of Examiners without a fee.

Section 12105. Codification. *If* need be, the Compiler of Laws is hereby authorized to appropriately codify this Act.

Section 12106. Severability. *If* any of the provisions of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance are held invalid, such invalidity shall *not* affect any other provision or application of this Act, which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.

Section 12107. Effective Date. The provisions contained in this Act shall take effect upon enactment."



Committee on Health and Human Services

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July 24, 1998

Honorable Antonio R. Unpingco Speaker Twenty Fourth Guam Legislature 155 Hesler Street Agana, Guam 96910

VIA: Chairperson, Committee on Rules, Government Reform and Federal Affairs

Dear Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was referred Bill No. 696 (COR), "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 12, OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS OF GUAM, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS ACT OF 1998," has had the same under consideration and now wishes to report back the same with the recommendation to do pass as substituted.

The Committee votes are as follows:

To Do Pass
Not to Pass
Abstain
Inactive File

A copy of the Committee Report and other pertinent documents are attached for your immediate reference and information.

Sincerely,

EDWARDO J. CRUZ, MD

Chairperson.

Enclosure:

Committee Health and Human Services Vote Sheet on Bill No. 696 (COR)

AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 12, OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS OF GUAM, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS ACT OF 1998.

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Committee on Health and Human Services Report On Bill No. 696 (COR)

AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 12, OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS OF GUAM, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS ACT OF 1998.

Introduced by Senators
E. J. Cruz, MD, J. C. Salas, Felix P. Camacho
W. B.S.M. Flores, F. B. Aguon, Jr., Francisco P. Camacho

PUBLIC HEARING:

The Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was referred Bill No. 696, (COR) "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 12, OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS OF GUAM, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS ACT OF 1998," conducted a public hearing on Wednesday, July 22, 1998, starting at 12:00 p. m., at the Legislative Public Hearing Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Edwardo J. Cruz, Chairperson of the Committee on Health and Human Services convened the hearing promptly at 12:00 p.m. Committee members and other Senators present were: John C. Salas, Vice-Chairperson, Frank B. Aguon, Jr., Joanne M.S. Brown and Lou Leon Guerrero.

TESTIMONY:

Appearing before the Committee were Larry Hazen, Velma Harper from the Board of Allied Health examiners and Teofila Cruz, Administrator for Professional Licensure. At the outset, Ms. Cruz informed the Committee that Board supports the overall intent and requests that Bill No. 696 be passed. Ms. Cruz enlightened the Committee that it would also be a proactive proposal if the essential requirements needed by the Board, (transportation, materials and supplies) were also addressed in the legislation. After discussion, the Board members were informed by the Committee chair that the recommendation would be taken into consideration. There being no further witnesses, the Chairperson adjourned the Committee's hearing on Bill No. 696.

FINDINGS:

The Committee finds that:

- No persons shall practice the healing art on Guam who is not (a) licensed so to do
 under the provisions of this Article, or (b) exempted under the provisions of this
 Chapter. Furthermore, no person shall practice the healing art in Guam otherwise
 than in accordance with the terms of his license or of his registration as the case may
 be.
- There is within the government of Guam a "Commission on the Healing Art of Guam," consisting of eleven (11) members appointed by *I Maga'lahen Guahan* as follows: the Director of Public Health and Social Services or the Chief Public Health Officer; the Chairperson of the Board of Nurse Examiners; the Chairperson of the Board of Examiners for Dentistry; the Chairperson of the Board of Examiner for Pharmacy; the Chairperson of the Board of Allied Health Examiners; the Chairperson of the Board of Examiner for Optometry; the Chairperson of Board of Cosmetology; the Chief Medical Officer of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority; the Director of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse; and one (1) member from the general public (not health related.)
- The Commission shall elect a president and vice-president. The Director of the Department of Public Health and Social Services or the Chief Medical Officer of the Guam Memorial Hospital shall be the secretary and treasurer of the Commission.
- The Commission shall make and from time to time may alter such rules as it deems necessary for the conduct of its business and for the execution and enforcement of the provisions of this Chapter.
- The Commission shall review regulations promulgated by the Board of Medical Examiners, Board of Nurse Examiners, Board of Examiners for Dentistry, Board of Examiners for Optometry and Board of Examiners for Pharmacy, Board of Allied Health Examiner and Board of Cosmetology for the purpose of standardizing as much as possible requirements for licensure for all professions in the practice of healing arts.
- The Commission shall maintain a registry of all persons licensed to practice the healing art on Guam and each Board shall notify the Commission not less than annually of persons licensed under its supervision.

- The Commission is hereby authorized to meet at least semiannually to review and submit to *I Maga'lahen Guahan* a community needs assessment and recommendation in areas of health manpower resources for licensed professionals in the healing arts and related health services. The information shall be made available to the Division of Health Planning within DISID.
- The Department of Public Health and Social Services shall be responsible for the implementation of this Act and may establish the Division of Commission of the Healing Arts and Licensure for the purpose of this Act. The Director of the Department of Public Health and Social Services shall provide such office space, staff, supplies, equipment, vehicle, and assistants as may be necessary for the work of the Commission, for each of the examining boards including statutorily created boards and the execution and enforcement of this Chapter. The Attorney General shall provide legal services to the Commission and the Boards of Examiners without a fee.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee, having reviewed the testimonies presented at the public hearing, does hereby recommend to the Legislature that Bill No. 696 (COR), "AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 12, OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS OF GUAM, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ARTS ACT OF 1998," be passed as amended.

2. h Guam Legislature Committee on Rules, Government Reform and Federal Affairs

Senator Mark Forbes, Chairman



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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Chairman

Committee on Health and Human Services

FROM:

Acting Chairman

Committee on Rules, Government Reform and Federal Affairs

SUBJECT:

Referral-Bill No. 696

The above Bill is referred to your Committee as the principal committee. It is recommended you schedule a public hearing at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

ANTHONY C. BLAZ

Attachment

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Senator Edwardo J. Cruz, N.D.

Chairperson

Committee on Health and Human Services

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Subj:	Notice of Public Hearing July 22, 1998		

The Committee on Health and Human Services will be conducting a Public Hearing on Wednesday July 22, 1998 at 8:30 a.m. at the Legislative Public Hearing Room.

The Committee welcomes your attendance and input in the form of written and/or oral testimony during the hearing. Thank you for your attention on this matter, and if you should need any special accommodations or questions please contact Angela or James at 472-3581.

Attached is a copy of the Agenda.

8:30 a.m.

We look forward to your participation and attendance.

Edwardo J. Cruz MD

Chairman

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Vice Chairman

CC: All Senators



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Public Hearing Wednesday, July 22, 1998 10:00 a.m., Legislative Public Hearing Room

Agenda

BILL 697: AN ACT RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING AN ORGAN DONOR PROGRAM, ORGAN DONOR REGISTRY, AND UNIFORM DEFINITION OF CESSATION OF LIFE BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 83A, PART 2, DIVISION 4 OF 10 GCA AND OTHERS AND CALL THIS THE "ORGAN DONOR ACT OF 1998."

BILL 693: AN ACT RELATIVE TO CREATING COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS INCLUDING URGENT CARE SERVICES IN THE NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN REGIONS PLUS OTHER REGIONS BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE 8 TO CHAPTER 3 OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS "THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS ACT OF 1998."

BILL 695: AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROVIDING FOR A GUAM ALLIED HEALTH PRACTICE ACT BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLES 8 THROUGH 19 TO CHAPTER 12, DIVISION 1, ALL OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS THE GUAM ALLIED HEALTH PRACTICE ACT OF 1998.

BILL 656: AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT 10 GCA CHAPTER 18, LICENSING OF THE PROFESSION OF COSMETOLOGY AND COSMETOLOGICAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

BILL 696: AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 12, OF TITLE 10 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ART IN GUAM, AND TO CITE THE ACT AS THE COMMISSION ON THE HEALING ART ACT OF 1998.

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REHABILITATION ADVISORY COUNCIL: Disabilities Employment Awareness Month subcommittee for October activities working meeting 11 a.m.-2 p.m., July 22, DVR consumer services conference room, Tiyan. Those vith disabilities who need special acommodations should call 475-4635/8, ablic invited.

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS: scheduled meeting 5 p.m., July 22, MHA board of trustees' conference on. For more information, call 475-51/2.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD: 5 p.m., July 22, Department of Revenue & Taxation director's conference room, 2nd floor, Building 13-1, Mariner Ave., Tiyon.

HOUSING CORPORATION & RENTAL CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS: 5 p.m., July 22, Building 6-5000 E. Sunset Blvd., Tiyan. Agenda appies available at corporation's office upon request.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HU-MAN SERVICES: Hearing 10 a.m., July 22, 1 Liheslaturan Guahan hearing room, Hagátña. Bills 697, 693, 695, 656, 696. The public is welcome to submit written and/or aral testimony during the hearing. Those with disabilties who need special accommodations, etc., should call Angela or Rose, 472-3581.

RETIREMENT FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Rescheduled regular meeting 5:30 p.m., Retirement Fund conference room, Maite. Those with disabilities who need special accommodations, etc., should call 475-8900/1.

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