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14 APR 2006

The Honorable Mark Forbes
Speaker
Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
155 Hessler Street
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 245(EC), "AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION (a) OF §15A301 OF CHAPTER 15 OF 17 GCA RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM," which I signed into law on April 14, 2006, as Public Law 28-110.

Sins eru yan Magåhet,

[Handwritten signature of Felix P. Camacho]

FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga'låhen Guåhan
Governor of Guam

Attachment: copy attached of signed bill

cc: The Honorable Eddie Baza Calvo
Senator and Legislative Secretary

Office of the Speaker

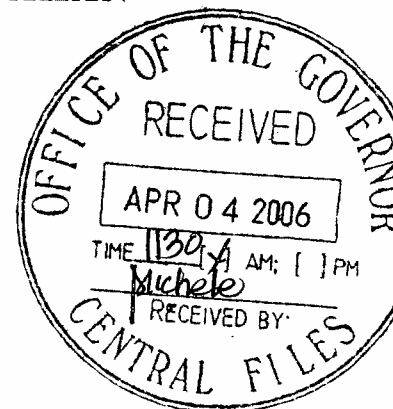
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Senator Edward J.B. Calvo
SECRETARY OF THE LEGISLATURE
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Time: 10:00 Date: 4-26-06



MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
TWENTY-EIGHTH GUAM LEGISLATURE
155 Hessler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910



March 31, 2006

The Honorable Felix P. Camacho
I Maga'lahaen Guåhan
Ufisinan I Maga'lahi
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear *Maga'lahi* Camacho:

Transmitted herewith are Bill Nos. 152(LS), 192(EC), 208(EC), 223(LS), 253(EC) & 255(LS); and Substitute Bill Nos. 234(LS) & 254(LS) which were passed by *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on March 22, 2006; Bill Nos. 219(EC), 245(EC) & 262(EC), and Substitute Bill Nos. 125(EC), 228(EC) which were passed by *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on March 24, 2006; and Substitute Bill No. 243(LS) which was passed by *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on March 30, 2006.

Sincerely,

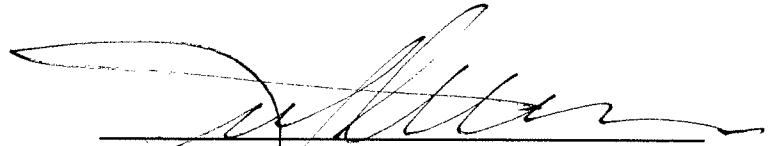
EDWARD J.B. CALVO
Senator and Secretary of the Legislature

Enclosures (14)

I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2006 (SECOND) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that Bill No. 245 (EC), "AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION (a) OF §15A301 OF CHAPTER 15 OF 17 GCA RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM" was on the 24th day of March, 2006, duly and regularly passed.



Mark Forbes
Speaker

Attested:



Edward J.B. Calvo
Senator and Secretary of the Legislature

This Act was received by *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan* this 04 day of April,
2006, at 1130 o'clock a.M.



Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'lahaen's Office

APPROVED:



FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga'lahaen Guåhan

Date: 14 APRIL 2006

Public Law No. 28-110

MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2006 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 245 (EC)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

L. F. Kasperbauer
Ray Tenorio
Mark Forbes
F. B. Aguon, Jr.
J. M.S. Brown
Edward J.B. Calvo
B. J.F. Cruz
Mike Cruz
R. Klitzkie
L. A. Leon Guerrero
J. A. Lujan
A. B. Palacios
R. J. Respicio
A. R. Unpingco
J. T. Won Pat

**AN ACT TO *AMEND* SUBSECTION (a) OF §15A301 OF
CHAPTER 15 OF 17 GCA RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE
PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM.**

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

2 **Section 1.** Subsection (a) of §15A301 of Chapter 15 of 17 GCA is hereby
3 *amended* to read as follows:

4 “(a) There are established annual Merit Awards for high school students in
5 the graduating classes of a public and private high school licensed to do business
6 on Guam now or hereafter established. The students entitled to these awards shall
7 be the students having the highest scholastic standing in the graduating classes of

1 each such public and non-public high school on Guam. The awards shall be
2 determined as follows:

3 (1) One for every fifty (50) graduates or fraction thereof of a
4 school's graduating class. If as a result of the equal scholastic standing of
5 two (2) or more graduates, there is a tie for the awards granted pursuant to
6 this Chapter, the University of Guam shall provide a mechanism to break
7 the tie. Awardees are entitled to four (4) years of education at the
8 University of Guam. However, if the awardee is the top-ranked student
9 academically of that person's graduating class, and such awardee's major is
10 unavailable at the University of Guam, the awardee may attend any
11 accredited college or university in the United States, or one recognized by
12 the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), or its successors,
13 where such declared major is available. The benefits are according to the
14 amounts provided in §15A302 of this Article, plus the cost of airfare for
15 one-way, economy airline ticket to the school of attendance and one-way
16 ticket to return to Guam upon completion of studies.

17 (2) Of the students receiving awards in Subsection (1), supra, who
18 attend and graduate from the University of Guam, the top two (2) awardees
19 per graduating class shall be entitled to an additional two (2) years of study
20 for a Master's Degree at the University of Guam after completion of the
21 bachelor's program awarded under the provisions of Subsection (1). In the
22 event that, as a result of graduating class size, only one student is entitled
23 to an award under Subsection (1), supra, then only one student shall be
24 eligible for an award under this Subsection. The benefits are according to
25 the amounts provided in §15A302 of this Article.

26 All awards shall be subject to the following limitations:

27 A recipient must be a:

- 1 (i) United States citizen, or a permanent resident alien, who has
2 completed four (4) academic years in a high school on Guam; and
3 (ii) a resident of Guam for a continuous period of not less than five (5)
4 years immediately preceding June 15th of the year the award is to be awarded.”

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w/o engrossment

I MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN

2006 (SECOND) Regular Session

Date: 3/24/06

VOTING SHEET

Amended

Bill No. 245

Resolution No. _____

Question: _____

NAME	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	NOT VOTING/ ABSTAINED	OUT DURING ROLL CALL	<u>ABSENT</u>
AGUON, Frank B., Jr.	✓				
BROWN, Joanne M.S.	✓				
CALVO, Edward J.B.	✓				
CRUZ, Benjamin J.F.	✓				
CRUZ, Michael (Dr.)	✓				
FORBES, Mark	✓				
KASPERBAUER, Lawrence F.	✓				
KLITZKIE, Robert	✓				
LEON GUERRERO, Lourdes A.	✓				
LUJAN, Jesse A. <i>11</i>	✓				
PALACIOS, Adolpho B.	✓				
RESPICIO, Rory J.					✓
TENORIO, Ray	✓				
UNPINGCO, Antonio R.	✓				
WON PAT, Judith T. <i>11</i>	✓				

TOTAL

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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

Clerk of the Legislature

* 3 Passes = No vote
EA = Excused Absence



~~January 17, 2006~~

February 24, 2006

The Honorable Mark Forbes
Speaker
I Mina Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
155 Hesler Place
Hagatna, Guam 96910

Re: **Committee Recommendation, Bill 245 (EC)**

Dear Speaker Forbes:

The Committee on Education & Community Development, to which was referred **Bill No. 245 (EC): AN ACT TO AMEND ITEM (a) OF §15A301 OF CHAPTER 15 OF 17 G.C.A. RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM**, herein reports back with the recommendation To Do Pass.

Votes are as Follows:

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TO Pass

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NOT TO Pass

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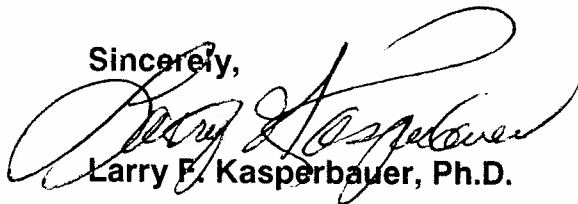
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ABSTAIN

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INACTIVE FILE

Sincerely,


Larry F. Kasperbauer, Ph.D.



January 16, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Members
Committee on Education and Community Development

FROM: Chairman

Subject: Voting Sheet, Bill 245 (EC)

Transmitted herewith are the voting sheets and the Committee Report of **Bill No. 245 (EC): AN ACT TO AMEND ITEM (a) OF §15A301 OF CHAPTER 15 OF 17 G.C.A. RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM**, for your review and signature.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Larry F. Kasperbauer, Ph.D.

Attachments



COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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I Mina' Bente Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan
 155 Hesler Street · Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Chairman: Senator Larry F. Kasperbauer, Ph.D.
Vice-Chairperson: Senator Ray Tenorio
Ex-Officio Member: Speaker Mark Forbes

VOTING SHEET ON:

Bill No. 245 (EC): AN ACT TO AMEND ITEM (a) OF §15A301 OF CHAPTER 15 OF 17 G.C.A. RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM.

VOTING SHEET: Bill No. 245 (EC)

Bill 245 (EC)	SIGNATURE	TO Pass	NOT TO Pass	TO REPORT OUT OF COMMITTEE	ABSTAIN	INACTIVE FILE
Senator Larry F. Kasperbauer, Ph. D, Chair		X				
Senator Ray Tenorio, Vice Chair		✓				
Speaker Mark Forbes, Ex-Officio		✓		✓		
Vice Speaker Joanne Brown, Member		✓				
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr., Member		✓				
Senator Edward J.B. Calvo, Member		✓				
Senator Mike Cruz, M.D., Member		✓				
Senator Robert Klitzkie, Member		✓				
Senator Jesse Lujan, Member						
Senator Rory J. Respicio, Member		✓				
Senator Antonio R. Unpingco, Member			✓	✓		
Senator Judith T. Won Pat, Member			X			

Committee on Education and Community Development
Public Hearing

Bill No. 245 (EC): AN ACT TO AMEND ITEM (a) OF §15A301 OF CHAPTER 15 OF 17 G.C.A. RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM.

I. Overview: Public Hearing

The Committee on Education and Community Development convened for a Public Hearing at 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 13, 2006, to hear testimony on **Bill 246 (EC) AN ACT AMEND §19103 OF 17 G.C.A. RELATIVE TO ALLOWING STUDENTS POSSESSING A BACHELORS DEGREE IN A SUBJECT OTHER THAN NURSING TO QUALIFY FOR THE NURSING TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP; Bill No. 245 (EC): AN ACT TO AMEND ITEM (a) OF §15A301 OF CHAPTER 15 OF 17 G.C.A. RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM; and on Substitute Bill 234 (EC):AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION (a) OF §34116, AND TO ADD NEW SECTIONS 34125 AND 34126 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 34, DIVISION 2, TITLE 10 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE IMPOSITION OF MANDATORY FINES ON OWNERS OF IMPOUNDED DOGS AND TO ESTABLISH A STRAY DOG REVOLVING FUND. Notice of this hearing was disseminated throughout all local media for announcement on Friday, January 6, 2006. Notice of the hearing was printed in the Marianas Variety, Guam Edition -Community Calendar; under Gov't Meetings beginning on Monday, January 9, 2006. The notice ran concurrently through Friday, January 13, 2006. As well, notice of the hearing was published via electronic media on the 28th Guam Legislature's Web Page, www.guamlegislature.com, under the link, "legislative calendar," from Friday, January 6, 2006, through Friday, January 13.**

Committee Members Present:

Senator Larry F. Kasperbauer, Chairman
Senator Robert Klitzkie, Member
Senator Frank Blas Aguon, Jr., Member

Also present:

Senator Adoplho B. Palacios, Sr.

Providing Testimony on Bill No. 245 (EC):

Mr. Johnny Lizama, Parent and member, Guam Army National Guard	oral
Dr. Harold L. Allen, President, University of Guam	oral
Maj. General Donald J. Goldhorn	written
<u>Witness responding to questions</u>	
Ms. Gloria Fernandez, Financial Director, University of Guam	oral

II. Summary of Testimonies

Dr. Harold Allen, UOG President: Dr. Allen testified in favor of Bill 245 (EC). He noted that he saw no reason to continue to exclude Guam High School students as they must meet all other eligibility requirements as well. Dr. Allen also articulated to senators that he would like to see more financial aid opportunities for students attending UOG and that funding levels should be increased.

Gloria Fernandez, UOG Financial Aid Director: Ms. Fernandez appeared as a witness to assist Dr. Allen and to address questions from the senators. Senator Aguon asked Ms. Fernandez how many students from Guam High School will be eligible annually including this academic year. Ms. Fernandez replied that at least one per year would be eligible including the valedictorian from last year's graduating class. Senator Aguon asked Ms. Fernandez if UOG had the funding to accommodate the student who would be eligible this year and she replied in the affirmative. Senator Klitzkie later asked how the valedictorian from last year could be eligible when the law states that the only date that they could be eligible for the award is on June 15th of the year the student graduates, Ms. Fernandez after conversing with Dr. Allen acknowledged that Senator Klitzkie was correct.

Johnny Lizama, Parent - member, Guam Guard: Mr. Lizama testified in favor of the Bill. He stated that several local students including children of active duty National Guard members attend Guam High School. He noted that his son who graduated last year as Guam High's valedictorian was not eligible for the merit award. He added that all other students in public and private high schools are eligible. Senator Palacios remarked that the DODEA is a limited enrollment school system and most of Guam's students cannot attend, he asked Mr. Lizama why the Department of Defense doesn't fund the merit award for their students. Mr. Lizama replied that the same question can be asked of the private schools whose students are eligible for Merit awards. Mr. Lizama also read the testimony of Adjutant General Goldhorn into the record. Mr. Lizama mentioned during the dialogue that parents of DODEA school students pay taxes to the Government of Guam.

Maj. Gen. Donald J. Goldhorn, Adjutant General, Guam National Guard. General Goldhorn submitted written testimony in favor of the Bill. (See Attached Testimony).

III. Findings & Recommendation

The Committee on Education and Community Development finds that all students attending school on Guam should be eligible to compete for the Merit Award Scholarships. This program rewards the best students in each of Guam's schools with a four to six year scholarship at the University of Guam. Students are required to repay the community through employment service credit after completing their education. The Committee further finds that students who attend the Guam High School should be eligible for such scholarships provided that they meet the same criteria as other eligible students who attend the Guam Public School System and private high schools on Guam. Those criteria include the following:

- A recipient must have resided on Guam for the last five years preceding the award
- The recipient must have attended and completed their four years of high school instruction on Guam,
- The recipient must be a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident alien,
- The recipient must agree to repay through service credit, (work on Guam) one year for each year that their merit award is received

It is the conclusion of the Committee on Education and Community Development that Bill No. 245 (EC) be reported out with the Recommendation **To Do Pass.**

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w/o engrossment

**MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2005 (FIRST) Regular Session**

Bill No. 245 (EC)

Introduced by:

L.F. Kasperbauer
Ray Tenorio

**AN ACT TO AMEND ITEM (a) OF §15A301 OF CHAPTER 15 OF
17G.C.A. RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE PROVISIONS OF
THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Item (a) of §15A301 of Chapter 15 of 17G.C.A. is hereby *amended* to read as follows:

(a) There are established annual Merit Awards for high school students in the graduating classes of a public and private high school licensed to do business on Guam now or hereafter established. The students entitled to these awards shall be the students having the highest scholastic standing in the graduating classes of each such public and non-public high school on Guam, ~~except for Department of Defense Schools~~. The awards shall be determined as follows:

(1) One (1) for every fifty (50) graduates or fraction thereof of a school's graduating class. If as a result of the equal scholastic standing of two (2) or more graduates, there is a tie for the awards granted pursuant to this Chapter, the University of Guam shall provide a mechanism to break the tie. Awardees are entitled to four (4) years of education at the University of Guam. However, if the awardee is the top-ranked student academically of that person's graduating class, and such awardee's major is unavailable at the University of Guam, the awardee may attend any accredited college or university in the United States, or one (1)

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I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

FLOOR AMENDMENTS/CHANGES

Bill No. 245

L F Kasperbauer

Senator Proposing Amendment

(Below for Senator to complete)

Please describe proposed amendment, including where change to occur:

Page 2 line 19 delete the words
"public or private"

(Below only for Clerk of Legislature's use and processing)

Date 3/24, 2006

Floor Amendment No. 1 of a total of _____ changes on above Bill.

Votes For Amendment: _____ Votes Against Amendment: _____

AMENDMENT PASSED:

Amendment Failed: _____

Amendment Withdrawn: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM PASSED

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AUTHOR OF AMENDMENT

Concur (initial)

[Signature]
Clerk of Legislature

Speaker

Ass't. Amend. Clerk
Engrossment Staff

1 recognized by the ~~Council on Postsecondary Accreditation ('COPA')~~ Council for
2 Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), or its successors, where such declared
3 major is available. The benefits are according to the amounts provided in §
4 15A302 of this Article, plus the cost of airfare for one-way, economy airline
5 ticket to the school of attendance and one-way ticket to return to Guam upon
6 completion of studies.

7 (2) Of the students receiving awards in Subsection (1), supra, who attend
8 and graduate from the University of Guam, the top two (2) awardees per
9 graduating class shall be entitled to an additional two (2) years of study for a
10 Master's Degree at the University of Guam after completion of the bachelor's
11 program awarded under the provisions of Subsection (1). In the event that, as a
12 result of graduating class size, only one (1) student is entitled to an award under
13 Subsection (1), supra, then only one (1) student shall be eligible for an award
14 under this Subsection. The benefits are according to the amounts provided in §
15 15A302 of this Article.

16 ~~20/10/2011~~ All awards shall be subject to the following limitations:

17 A recipient must be a:

- 18 (i) United States citizen, or a permanent resident alien, who has completed
19 four (4) academic years in a ~~public~~ ^{public or private} high school on Guam; and
20 (ii) a resident of Guam for a continuous period of not less than five (5)
21 years immediately preceding June 15th of the year the award is to be awarded.

I MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN

FLOOR AMENDMENTS/CHANGES
Bill No. 245

JST

Senator Proposing Amendment

(Below for Senator to complete)

Please describe proposed amendment, including where change to occur:

Pg 1 Line 8. Remove Strike through & change "except for" to "including"

Pg 2 Line 19 After "Guam;" insert Including Department of Defense Schools

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Date 3/24, 2006

Floor Amendment No. 1 of a total of _____ changes on above Bill.

Votes For Amendment: _____ Votes Against Amendment: _____

AMENDMENT PASSED:

Amendment Failed: _____

Amendment Withdrawn: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM PASSED

AUTHOR OF AMENDMENT

Concur *(initial)*

JST

Clerk of Legislature

Speaker

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COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Senator Larry F. Kasperbauer, Ph.D.
Chairman

Public Hearing

Friday, January 13, 2006 – 10:00 a.m.
I Liheslaturan Public Hearing Room

Public Hearing:

AGENDA

- **Bill 246 (EC:)** AN ACT AMEND §19103 OF 17G.C.A. RELATIVE TO ALLOWING STUDENTS POSSESSING A BACHELORS DEGREE IN A SUBJECT OTHER THAN NURSING TO QUALIFY FOR THE NURSING TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP.

- **Bill 245 (EC):** AN ACT TO AMEND ITEM (a) OF §15A301 OF CHAPTER 15 OF 17G.C.A. RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM

- **Substitute Bill 234 (EC):** AN ACT TO AMEND SUBSECTION (a) OF §34116, AND TO ADD NEW SECTIONS 34125 AND 34126 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 34, DIVISION 2, TITLE 10 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE IMPOSITION OF MANDATORY FINES ON OWNERS OF IMPOUNDED DOGS AND TO ESTABLISH A STRAY DOG REVOLVING FUND.

Committee on Education and Community Development
I Mina' Bente Ocho na Liheslaturan Gudhan

Senator Larry F. Kasperbauer, Ph.D., Chairman

Bill 245 (EC): AN ACT TO AMEND ITEM (a) OF §15A301 OF CHAPTER 15 OF 17G.C.A. RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM

Friday January 13, 2006, 10 a.m. *I Liheslatura's* Public Hearing Room

SIGN-IN SHEET

Name	Agency or Interest Group (if applicable)	Contact No.	Testimony		Comment	
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HAROLD ALLEN	UOG	735-2990		✓		
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JOHNNY LITAMA	National Guard	789-4519				
Address			✓		X	
234 PUGH DRIVE						
YONA, GA						

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Shirley Surrency	UOG					
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Par	Mrs General Cookson					



GOVERNMENT OF GUAM
DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
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11 January 2006

Senator Larry F. Kasperbauer, Ph.D.
Chairman, Committee on Education and
Community Development
155 Hessler Street
Hagatna, Guam 96910

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Re: Notice of Public Hearing, Bill No. 245 (EC)

Dear Senator Kasperbauer:

Thank you for the opportunity to present written testimony on the above referenced Bill regarding Merit Awards for Guam's High School students. I will be off-island on 13 January 2006 but I am offering my support for this bill, which expands the Merit Awards coverage to graduating students at Guam High School.

Many members of the Guam National Guard have dependents enrolled at Guam High School. These students have previously been ineligible for the Merit Awards, which was unfortunate. There is no sensible distinction for separating those children attending Guam High School from those who attend other Guam public and private high schools, moreso in the National Guard's perspective, as some members of the command do not utilize Department of Defense schools. This creates a situation whereby some dependent students may be eligible, and others may not be eligible.

I wholeheartedly support all students in their quest for academic achievement, as I know you do. To remove barricades that distinguish deserving students based on school location is a noble and proper quest. I thus offer my support for Bill No. 245 and conclude that it will be both beneficial to members of the Guam National Guard and to the island of Guam.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Donald J. Goldhorn'.

Donald J. Goldhorn
Major General, Guam National Guard
The Adjutant General



Twenty-Eighth
Guam Legislature

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January 6, 2006

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members - All Senators
Committee on Education & Community Development

From: Chairman *Larry Kasperbauer*

Subject: Notice of Public Hearing, January 13, 2006, @ 10 a.m.

Please be advised that the Committee on Education and Community Development will conduct a public hearing on Friday, January 13, 2006, beginning at 10 a.m. The hearing will take place at *I Liheslatura's* public hearing room to receive testimony on the following:

The Agenda is as follows:

- **Bill 246 (EC):** Relative to allowing students possessing a Bachelors Degree in a subject other than Nursing to qualify for the Nursing Training Scholarship; by L.F. Kasperbauer
- **Bill 245 (EC):** Expanding the provisions of the Merit Award Program; by L.F. Kasperbauer
- **Substitute Bill 234 (EC):** Mandatory fines on owners of impounded dogs and to establish a stray dog revolving fund; by A.B. Palacios

I look forward to your attendance. Should you wish to discuss any of the Bills before the hearing I will be available to do so.

CC: All Senators
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—Education is the Way!—



Waiver of Fiscal Note

In accordance with § 9105 of Title 2 GCA, I hereby certify that prompt committee action on Bill No. 245 (EC) is necessary for the proper conduct of legislative business. Therefore, I am waiving the requirement for a Fiscal Note on Bill No. 245 (EC)

Larry F. Kasperbauer, Ph.D.
Chairman Committee on Education
and Community Development

Larry F. Kasperbauer

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Jan. 17
Committee on General and Omnibus Matters and Executive Committee public hearing: 2 p.m. Jan. 17, Legislature's public hearing room. Bill 192, to reappropriate \$25,000 from sums appropriated to the legislature for fiscal 2005 to Department of Agriculture to purchase uniforms, supplies and law enforcement equipment for its law enforcement division; Bill 206, authorizing the governor to exchange a portion of a prewar bull cart trail in Talofofo; Bill 207, relative to the appointment of and removal of authority of officers and employees within the governor's office, lieutenant

governor of Guam, Guam State Clearing House and all other offices that may be established and placed under the purview or direction of the lieutenant governor of Guam; Bill 208, to appropriate \$16,000 from funds of the office of Vice Speaker Joanne Brown and to authorize the University of Guam to reappropriate unexpended funds from Section 2 of P.L. 28-17 to UOG's Inarajan Agricultural Experiment Station to purchase a total carbon/nitrogen analyzer and related supplies; to also appropriate \$25,000 from funds of the office of Vice Speaker Joanne Brown to the Department of Parks and Recreation for installation and repair of entry gates to public parks around the island; Bill 222, relative to disclosing special benefits provided by airlines to government officials; Bill 239, placing the Merlynn G. Cook School under the administrative jurisdiction of the Merizo mayor's office. Call 472-3409.

Hagåtña Restoration and Redevelopment Authority board of commissioners regular meeting: 3 p.m. Jan. 17, HRRRA office, Building 106, Chamorro Village, Hagåtña. Public is invited. For special accommodations, call 472-9446.

Jan. 18
Guam Board of Examiners for Dentistry regular meeting: 3 p.m. Jan. 18, Health Professional Licensing office, Suite 9, 651 Legacy Square Commercial Complex, Route 10, Mangilao. For special accommodations, call 735-7406/7408.

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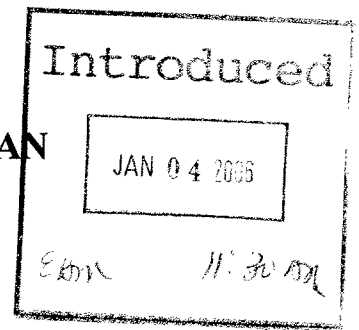
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Bill No. 245 (EC)

Introduced by:

L.F. Kasperbauer
Ray Tenorio

**AN ACT TO AMEND ITEM (a) OF §15A301 OF CHAPTER 15 OF
17G.C.A. RELATIVE TO EXPANDING THE PROVISIONS OF
THE MERIT AWARD PROGRAM.**

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

2 **Section 1.** Item (a) of §15A301 of Chapter 15 of 17G.C.A. is hereby *amended* to
3 read as follows:

4 (a) There are established annual Merit Awards for high school students in
5 the graduating classes of a public and private high school licensed to do business
6 on Guam now or hereafter established. The students entitled to these awards shall
7 be the students having the highest scholastic standing in the graduating classes of
8 each such public and non-public high school on Guam, ~~except for Department of~~
9 ~~Defense Schools.~~ The awards shall be determined as follows:

10 (1) One (1) for every fifty (50) graduates or fraction thereof of a school's
11 graduating class. If as a result of the equal scholastic standing of two (2) or more
12 graduates, there is a tie for the awards granted pursuant to this Chapter, the
13 University of Guam shall provide a mechanism to break the tie. Awardees are
14 entitled to four (4) years of education at the University of Guam. However, if the
15 awardee is the top-ranked student academically of that person's graduating class,
16 and such awardee's major is unavailable at the University of Guam, the awardee
17 may attend any accredited college or university in the United States, or one (1)

1 recognized by the ~~Council on Postsecondary Accreditation ('COPA')~~ Council for
2 Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), or its successors, where such declared
3 major is available. The benefits are according to the amounts provided in §
4 15A302 of this Article, plus the cost of airfare for one-way, economy airline
5 ticket to the school of attendance and one-way ticket to return to Guam upon
6 completion of studies.

7 (2) Of the students receiving awards in Subsection (1), supra, who attend
8 and graduate from the University of Guam, the top two (2) awardees per
9 graduating class shall be entitled to an additional two (2) years of study for a
10 Master's Degree at the University of Guam after completion of the bachelor's
11 program awarded under the provisions of Subsection (1). In the event that, as a
12 result of graduating class size, only one (1) student is entitled to an award under
13 Subsection (1), supra, then only one (1) student shall be eligible for an award
14 under this Subsection. The benefits are according to the amounts provided in §
15 15A302 of this Article.

16 All awards shall be subject to the following limitations:

17 A recipient must be a:

18 (i) United States citizen, or a permanent resident alien, who has completed
19 four (4) academic years in a public or private high school on Guam; and

20 (ii) a resident of Guam for a continuous period of not less than five (5)
21 years immediately preceding June 15th of the year the award is to be awarded.