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Felix Perez Camacho
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Lieutenant Governor

11 MAR 2005

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. 35 (EC), "AN ACT TO DEAPPROPRIATE FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) FROM THE SUMS APPROPRIATED TO LIHESLATURA AND TO REAPPROPRIATE SAID SUM TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM'S INARAJAN AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION," now designated as Public Law 28-17.

Sinseru 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

Senator Edward J.B. Calvo
SECRETARY OF THE LEGISLATURE
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT RECEIPT
Rcv'd by: JOY
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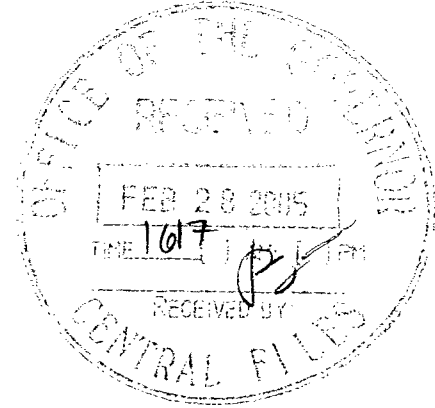
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Office of the Speaker
MARK FORBES
Date: 3-16-05
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MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
TWENTY-EIGHTH GUAM LEGISLATURE
155 Hessler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

February 28, 2005



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. 15(LS), 17(LS), 35(EC), 36(EC), 37(EC), 47(EC), 48(EC); and Substitute Bill Nos. 7(LS), 10(LS), 20(EC) and 29(EC) which were passed by *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on February 25, 2005.

Sincerely,

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

Enclosures (11)

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

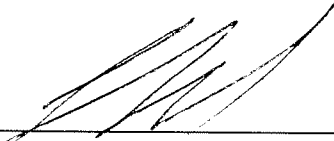
CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN

This is to certify that Bill No. 35 (EC), "AN ACT TO DEAPPROPRIATE FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) FROM THE SUMS APPROPRIATED TO I LIHESLATURA AND TO REAPPROPRIATE SAID SUM TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM'S INARAJAN AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION," was on the 25th day of February, 2005, duly and regularly passed.



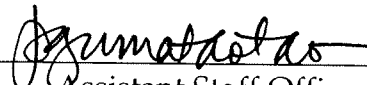
Mark Forbes
Speaker

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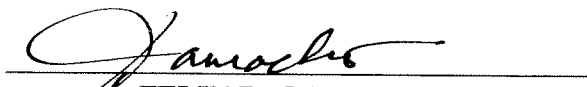
Edward J.B. Calvo
Senator and Secretary of the Legislature

This Act was received by *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan* this 28 day of February, 2005,
at 10:17 o'clock P.M.



Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'lahi's Office

APPROVED:



FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga'lahaen Guåhan

Date: 3/11/05

Public Law No. 28-17

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

Bill No. 35 (EC)

As amended.

Introduced by:

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

AN ACT TO DEAPPROPRIATE FIFTY THOUSAND
DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) FROM THE SUMS
APPROPRIATED TO *I LIHESLATURA* AND TO
REAPPROPRIATE SAID SUM TO THE UNIVERSITY OF
GUAM'S INARAJAN AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT
STATION.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*
3 finds that with the high volume of compostable material generated on Guam
4 daily, and the need to reduce waste from entering the landfill, there is a need
5 for alternative means of reducing waste in an environmentally-friendly

1 method. Therefore, the value of composting biodegradable wastes will
2 greatly benefit the people and environment of Guam.

3 *I Liheslatura* further finds that the University of Guam's Inarajan
4 Agricultural Experiment Station has conducted successful composting
5 projects, and would be best suited to operate and expand composting
6 operations that will benefit the community.

7 **Section 2. Deappropriation and Reappropriation.** The sum of Fifty
8 Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) is hereby deappropriated from the sums
9 appropriated to *I Liheslatura* prior to July 1, 2004 and reappropriated to the
10 University of Guam's Inarajan Agricultural Experiment Station for the *sole*
11 purpose of purchasing a compost turner and needed supplies for the compost
12 operations. Notwithstanding any other law or rule, the Fiscal Officer of *I*
13 *Liheslatura* is authorized to reduce the allotment to Vice Speaker Joanne M.S.
14 Brown by an amount equal to the sum deappropriated by this Section.

15 **Section 3. Reporting.** One hundred and eighty (180) days upon the
16 enactment of this Act, and upon the expenditure of these funds, the
17 University of Guam's Inarajan Agricultural Experiment Station shall prepare
18 financial reports for the President of the University of Guam, who shall then
19 submit the reports to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. No portion of this appropriation
20 shall be used for purposes other than specifically defined in Section 2 of this
21 act.

22 **Section 4. Severability.** *If* any provision of this Act or its application
23 to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to Law, such
24 invalidity shall *not* affect other provisions or applications of this act which can

- 1 be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end
- 2 the provisions of this Act are severable.

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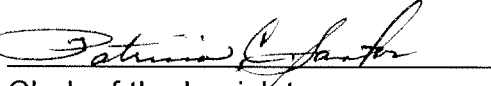
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VOTING SHEET

^{LS}
Bill No. 17(EE)
Resolution No. _____
Question: _____

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	NOT VOTING/ ABSTAINED	OUT DURING ROLL CALL	ABSENT
AGUON, Frank B., Jr.	✓				EA
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.	✓				
PALACIOS, Adolpho B.	✓				
RESPICIO, Rory J.	✓				
TENORIO, Ray	✓				
UNPINGCO, Antonio R.	✓				
WON PAT, Judith T.	✓				

TOTAL 14 0 0 0 1

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

Clerk of the Legislature

* 3 Passes = No vote
EA = Excused Absence

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I MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN

2005 (FIRST) Regular Session

Date: 2-25-05

VOTING SHEET

Bill No. 35(EC)

Resolution No. _____

Question: _____

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	NOT VOTING/ ABSTAINED	OUT DURING ROLL CALL	ABSENT
AGUON, Frank B., Jr.	✓				EA
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.	✓				
PALACIOS, Adolpho B.	✓				
RESPICIO, Rory J.	✓				
TENORIO, Ray	✓				
UNPINGCO, Antonio R.	✓				
WON PAT, Judith T.	✓				

TOTAL

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I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guahan
The 28th Guam Legislature

155 Hesler Place
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Speaker Mark Forbes

February 14, 2005

Speaker Mark Forbes
I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guahan
155 Hesler Place
Hagatna, Guam 96910

The Executive Committee, to which Bill No. 35, was referred, wishes to report its findings and recommendations **TO DO PASS BILL No. 35 (EC): "AN ACT TO DEAPPROPRIATE FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) FROM THE SUMS APPROPRIATED TO THE LEGISLATURE AND TO REAPPROPRIATE SAID SUM TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM INARAJAN AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION"**.

Transmitted herewith for your consideration and action is our committee report on the above subject matter.

The voting record is as follows:

 5 TO PASS
 0 NOT TO PASS
 0 TO REPORT OUT ONLY
 0 ABSTAIN
 0 INACTIVE FILE

Copies of the Committee Report and other pertinent documents are attached. Thank you and si Yu'os ma'ase for your attention to this matter.


MARK FORBES

Attachments

MEMORANDUM

TO: Committee Members

FROM: Chairman 

SUBJECT: Committee Report- Bill No. 35 (EC): "An Act To Deappropriate Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) From The Sums Appropriated To The Legislature And To Reappropriate Said Sum To The University Of Guam Inarajan Agricultural Experiment Station."

Transmitted herewith for your information and action is the report on Bill No. 35 (EC) from the Executive Committee.

This memorandum is accompanied by the following:

1. Committee Voting Sheet
2. Committee Report
3. Bill No. 35 (EC)
4. Public Hearing Sign-In Sheet
5. Fiscal Note/ Fiscal Note Waiver
6. Notice of Public Hearing

Please take the appropriate action on the voting sheet. Your attention and cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Should you have questions regarding the report or accompanying documents, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you and si Yu'os ma'ase.

MARK FORBES

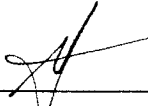



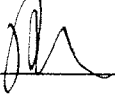
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

155 HESLER PLACE, HAGÅTNA, GUAM 96910

An act to deappropriate Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) from the sums appropriated to the Legislature and to reappropriate said sum to the University of Guam Inarajan Agricultural Experiment Station.

VOTING SHEET

	SIGNATURE	TO PASS	NOT TO PASS	TO REPORT OUT OF COMMITTEE	ABSTAIN	INACTIVE FILE
Mark Forbes, Chairman		✓				
Joanne M.S. Brown		✓				
Edward J.B. Calvo		✓				
Lawrence F. Kasperbaeur		X				
Robert Klitzkie		✓				
Frank B. Aguon, Jr.						
Adolpho B. Palacios						

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Introduced
JAN 24 2005

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

Bill No. 35 (EC)

Introduced by: I.M.S. Brown

AN ACT TO DEAPPROPRIATE FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) FROM THE SUMS APPROPRIATED TO THE LEGISLATURE AND TO REAPPROPRIATE SAID SUM TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM INARAJAN AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.

- 1 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**
- 2 **Section 1. Legislative findings and intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that
- 3 with the high volume of compostable material generated on Guam daily, and the need
- 4 to reduce waste from entering the landfill, there is a need for alternative means of
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- 6 composting biodegradable wastes will greatly benefit the people and environment of
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- 9 Station has conducted successful composting projects, and would be best suited to
- 10 operate and expand composting operations that will benefit the community.
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6 the President of the University of Guam who shall then submit the reports to *I*
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12 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this law are
13 severable.

**I MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
SPEAKER MARK FORBES, CHAIRMAN**

**COMMITTEE REPORT
ON
BILL NO. 35 (EC)**

**AN ACT TO DEAPPROPRIATE FIFTY THOUSAND
DOLLARS (\$50,000) FROM THE SUMS APPROPRIATED
TO THE LEGISLATURE AND TO REAPPROPRIATE SAID
SUM TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM INARAJAN
AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.**

I. OVERVIEW

The Executive Committee held a public hearing at 9 a.m. on February 11, 2005 in the Public Hearing Room, I Liheslaturan Guåhan. Public notice advertisement was given in the February 7, 2005, edition of the Pacific Daily News (PDN), posted in the Government Meetings Section in the February 10 and 11, 2005 editions of the PDN, and Public Notice Ads in the February 4 and 9, 2005 editions of the Marianas Variety, Guam Issue. A live broadcast of the public hearing appeared on Channel 61 that day (February 11, 2005).

Senators present at the public hearing were:

Speaker Mark Forbes, Chairman
Vice Speaker Joanne M.S. Brown, Member
Senator Robert Klitzkie, Member
Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr., Member
Senator Adolpho B. Palacios, Sr., Member
Senator Lou A. Leon Guerrero

II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

Dr. Mohammad Golabi, professor University of Guam, provided written testimony in favor of Bill 35 and provided a basic review of the program at the Inarajan Experimental Station. Dr. Golabi briefly described the islands current situation with the closure of the Ordot Dump and the opening of a municipal landfill. Dr. Golabi stated that one of the methods to ensure that the islands next landfill does not exceed its capacity before it is expected would be to promote methods like Bioconversion(composting). Dr. Golabi also stated that by composting materials on island may benefit the islands economy in tremendous ways. Mr. Golabi provided written testimony which is attached.

Dr. Greg Wiecko, professor University of Guam, offered oral testimony in support of Bill 35 and commended the work that Dr. Golabi has given to the composting program and that the appropriation will be put to great use in educating the people of the island on the importance of composting and reducing the amount of waste in our landfill.

Mr. Paul Tobiason, Recycling Association of Guam member, provided written testimony in support of Bill 35 and wanted to commend the author of Bill 35 on helping to keep Guam clean.

Member Questioning and Comments

On the issue of the Bill, **Senator Lou Leon Guerrero** stated her support of Bill 35 and just wanted to know if the Experimental Station would be open to the public to dispose of their wastes. **Dr. Golabi** stated that they will welcome any wastes and that the Experiment Station will be more than happy to assist the public and private companies in developing a composting system specifically for each individual or company. **Senator Frank Aguon Jr.**, also expressed his support of the appropriation and that any program

that will benefit the community in such a way that this program has his support. **Senator Adolpho Palacios** stated that he is in full support of the intent of this bill. **Vice Speaker Brown** briefly stated, since she toured the Experiment Station she has known that if the program were to get equipment such as a composting machine that the program would be able to expand its operations out to the community. Vice Speaker Brown also stated that the Agricultural Experiment Station has been very successful in their program by introducing and assisting Farmer Ernie Wusstig with his corn plantation.

III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

The Committee on General and Omnibus Matters finds that the intent of Bill 35 to deappropriate Fifty Thousand Dollars and Reappropriate it to the University of Guam's Inarajan Experiment Station is well founded. The bill will assist a program that the community will view as a valuable program for our future that will provide other means of disposing of our daily wastes rather than discharging them in our landfill.

Accordingly, the Committee Executive Committee, to which Bill No. 35 (EC) was referred, does hereby submit its findings and recommendations to I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan **TO DO PASS BILL NO. 35 (EC)**, "An Act To Deappropriate Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) From The Sums Appropriated To The Legislature And To Reappropriate Said Sum To The University Of Guam Inarajan Agricultural Experiment Station."

IV. PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

AGENDA

**COMMITTEE ON GENERAL & OMNIBUS MATTERS, and
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Public Hearing
Friday, February 11, 2005, 9:00 a.m.**

Matanane, David J.- To serve as a member of the Chamorro Land Trust Commission

Bill No. 15 (LS) - by R. Klitzkie

An Act To Add A New Chapter 16 To 18 GCA; To Add A New Item (Q) To 4 GCA §8104; To Add A New Section (R) To 4 GCA; To Repeal And Reenact §8113 Of 4 GCA; To Amend §8130 Of 4 GCA; To Enable Government Employees To Become Full Participants In The Free Enterprise System, To Provide For Employee-Owned Companies (EOC) And To Enact The Employee-Owned Company Law And For Other Purposes.

Bill No. 29 (EC) - by F. B. Aguon

An Act Relative To The Transfer Of The Former Guam Mass Transit Authority Property And Building To The Office Of The Hagatna Mayor, For The Relocation Of The Hagatna Mayor's Office, The Possible Establishment Of A Youth Recreational Center, And For Other Community Needs And Activities.

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Bill No. 36 (EC) - by L. A. Leon Guerrero

An Act To Require Mandatory Public Hearings On Certain Legislative Resolutions To Ensure Public Input, Through The Amendment Of Section 2103 Of Chapter 2 Of Title 2, Guam Code Annotated.

Bill No. 37 (EC) - by Adolpho B. Palacios

An Act To Amend § 17401, Article 4, Chapter 17, Title 3 GCA Relative To Legislative Submission.

**Committee on General & Omnibus Matters, and
Executive Committee**

Public Hearing
February 11, 2005
9:00 a.m..

I Liheslaturan Guahan, Hagåtña

Bill No. 35 (EC) - An Act To Deappropriate Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) From The Sums Appropriated To The Legislature And To Reappropriate Said Sum To The University Of Guam Inarajan Agricultural Experiment Station.

NAME (please print)	AGENCY/ ORGANIZATION	ORAL TESTIMONY	WRITTEN TESTIMONY	IN FAVOR	NOT IN FAVOR	CONTACT NUMBER
228 157 GREG WIECKO	Univ. of Guam	✓		✓		735-2100
Mohammad Golabi	U U U	✓	✓	✓		735-2134
Berrie Straatman	RAG			✓		646-1051

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NAME (please print)	AGENCY/ ORGANIZATION	ORAL TESTIMONY	WRITTEN TESTIMONY	IN FAVOR	NOT IN FAVOR	CONTACT NUMBER
Paul Tobiasson	Recycling Assoc.	x	x	x		922-2579

IV. SIGN-IN SHEET




I Mina' Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guahan
The 28th Guam Legislature

155 Hesler Place
Hagatna, Guam 96910
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Speaker Mark Forbes

WAIVER OF FISCAL NOTE

In accordance with §9105 Title 2 GCA, I hereby certify that prompt committee action on Bill 35 is necessary to the proper conduct of legislative business. Therefore, I am waiving requirement of a fiscal note on Bill 35.



MARK FORBES
Speaker and Chairman,
Executive Committee

VI. PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES

Marianas Variety, Guam Edition, Pg. 8, Friday, February 4, 2005.

State and community ethics - Controversy

TAIWANEMENT OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS IN GUAM
**COMMITTEE ON GENERAL AND
COMBINED MATTERS &
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**
Speaker Mark Torres, Chairman

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The following appropriations bills will be introduced on Friday, February 4, 2005 at 9:00 AM in the Public Hearing Room, Legislative Building, 188 Thos. P. Hezard.

Number of bills: 11
1. SB 101 - Appropriation for the Department of Education
2. SB 102 - Appropriation for the Department of Health
3. SB 103 - Appropriation for the Department of Labor
4. SB 104 - Appropriation for the Department of Social Services
5. SB 105 - Appropriation for the Department of Transportation
6. SB 106 - Appropriation for the Department of the Environment
7. SB 107 - Appropriation for the Department of the Economy
8. SB 108 - Appropriation for the Department of the Interior
9. SB 109 - Appropriation for the Department of the Judiciary
10. SB 110 - Appropriation for the Department of the State

11. SB 111 - Appropriation for the Department of the Veterans Affairs

The bills will be heard in the following order: SB 101, SB 102, SB 103, SB 104, SB 105, SB 106, SB 107, SB 108, SB 109, SB 110, SB 111.

Public hearing will be held on Friday, February 4, 2005 at 9:00 AM in the Public Hearing Room, Legislative Building, 188 Thos. P. Hezard.

For information, the bills will be available for review in the Legislative Building, 188 Thos. P. Hezard, starting on Friday, February 4, 2005 at 9:00 AM.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Committee on General and Omnibus Matters
Executive Committee

The following bills will be heard on Monday, February 14, 2005 at 9:00 AM at the Public Hearing Room, 135 Hecker Pl., Hagatna.

BILL 47 (EC) An Act to Add a New Article 10 to Chapter 68, 21 GCA to Establish the "Guam Flood And Survey Mitigation Plan"

BILL 48 (EC) An Act To Add New Subsection 2 (b)(6)(b) To 26GCA To Prohibit Any Measure Intended To Raise Taxes In Guam, Or Establish A New Tax, From Being Passed By The Legislature Without A "Rider" And Without Receiving The Input And Testimony Of The Public Through The Public Hearing Process.

BILL 49 (EC) An Act To Add A New Section 224.1 To 16GCA To Designate Roads To Be "Army Drive" To Honor The Men And Women Who Have Served And Continue To Serve In The United States Army, Those Army Units That Participated In The Liberation Of Guam In WWII, And The Thousands Of Our People Who Are Veterans.

SECOND NOTICE

Public Hearing on Friday 2/11/05, Public Hearing Room, 135 Hecker Pl., Committee on General and Omnibus Matters and Executive Committee.

BILL 15 (EC), **BILL 24 (EC)**, **BILL 26 (EC)**, **BILL 29 (EC)**, **BILL 31 (EC)**, **BILL 36 (EC)**, **BILL 37 (EC)**, AND THE APPOINTMENT OF GUAMIAN MEMBERS TO THE CLAIMS AND TRUST COMMISSION.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REQUEST A BILL COPY, CONTACT THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE, PUBLIC HEARING ROOM, 135 HECKER PL., HAGATNA, GUAM. (671) 491-1111. FAX: (671) 491-1112. E-MAIL: CLERK@GUAM.GOV

IMINA' BIENTI: OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN



COMMITTEE ON GENERAL AND
OMNIBUS MATTERS &
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Speaker Mark Forbes - Chairman

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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I Liheslaturan Guahan, 155 Hesler Pl., Hagatna.

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Resolutions To Ensure Public Input, Through The Amendment Of Section
2105 OF Chapter 2 OF Title 2, Guam Code Annotated.

Bill No. 37 (EC) - by Adolpho B. Palacios
An Act To Amend § 17401, Article 4, Chapter 17, Title 3 GCA Relative To
Legislative Submission.

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Testimony Provided by Dr. Mohammad Golabi from the University of Guam in support of Bill No. 35 that is stated as:

“AN ACT TO DEAPPROPRIATE FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) FROM THE SUMS APPROPRIATED TO THE LEGISLATURE AND TO REAPPROPRIATE SAID SUM TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM INARAJAN AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION”.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROBLEM

The current waste disposal crisis in Guam has villages and government officials searching for alternative disposal methods. Reusing, Recycling and Composting are three good ways to keep trash out of landfills and take advantage of their benefit.

Land filling of solid waste material is a major problem for the island of Guam. Land-filling of the huge volume of solid waste material not only causes environmental problems, but is in fact loss of valuable resources which could be available for other uses such as soil amendment in forest lands, farm fields, landscaping and home gardens.

We propose to develop an organics recovery and recycling of organic wastes for Guam which will consist of [1] a pilot project for a composting and bioconversion of solid wastes to a useful agricultural product, [2] product testing, and [3] design of a full-scale organics recycling program. The solid wastes targeted will include; [1] typhoon debris and organic fraction of the municipal solid wastes, [2] yard wastes/leaves and tree trimmings, [3] food waste (including restaurants and fish waste), and [4] animal manures.

SOLUTION BEING SOUGHT TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM

Bioconversion (composting) of organic wastes can be a suitable method of treatment that eliminates the usual problems of solid organic wastes by (1) improving handling characteristics of solid waste, (2) reducing weight, moisture content and volume, and (3) removing nuisance due to odors. The resulting product will increase storability and improve physical characteristics and a balanced nutrient base suitable for high rate application in agriculture, forestry, landscaping and related industries. Composting also leads to a volume reduction of up to one-half of the initial volume, depending upon the raw material.

Herein a one-year project to develop a large scale composting of solid waste program and the production of mature compost and its use as a renewable resource for soil conditioning and ameliorant on the forestlands and agricultural fields in Guam is proposed.

Composting, as a waste management strategy will reduce the overall cost of solid waste disposal and create products that are useable in other areas (Agriculture, Forestry, and Horticulture). The development and demonstration of this operation will be a long-term solution for the solid waste management in Guam and the other islands of Micronesia.

COMPOSTING METHODS

There are many methods of composting organic materials. These include active windrow (with turning), passive composting piles, passively aerated windrow (supplying air through perforated pipes embedded in the windrow), active aerated windrow (forced air),

bins, rectangular agitated beds, silos, rotating drums, containers, anaerobic digestion, and vermicompost (using earthworms).

In this project we are proposing to use active windrow, which requires a 'pull-behind compost turner' called 'AEROMASTER'. The 'AEROMASTER' compost turner is capable of turning large piles of compost and provides maximum blending and optimum air circulation.

Turning compost allows oxygen in and carbon dioxide (CO₂) out. By turning we provide an aerobic condition for an aerobic process. Turning allows oxygen to circulate and creates an environment for the aerobic microbes to continue to function.

The composting material should be turned whenever the temperature rises above 145^oF to prevent overheating. Weekly reading of temperature, and moisture levels will be taken to monitor the compost operation for a quality final renewable product to be used not only as soil conditioner but also as fertilizer in order to improve the quality of the degraded soils.

THE BENEFITS OF COMPOSTING

One of the benefits of composting is that it lowers the risk of pollution and nuisance, destroys pathogens, suppresses diseases that otherwise would spread as the result of mishandling of municipal garbage. Properly processed compost reduces soil borne diseases without the use of chemical control.

LAND APPLICATION OF COMPOST

The composted material is an odorless, fine-textured, low-moisture material that can be used in gardens, potting, nurseries, or applied as fertilizer and soil amendment on crop fields and forest lands with little or no odor or fly breeding potential. Compost can be an excellent source of organic matter, nitrogen and other nutrients. However, nitrogen in compost is stabilized and becomes gradually available to the crop in a slow release process. Since the mature compost is fine textured and has less water than the raw material, it can be applied more uniformly and with better control. The composted material also can be stored and applied when convenient.

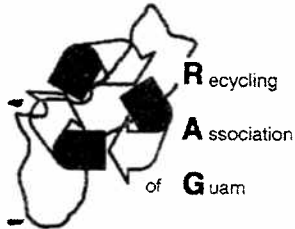
WHO CAN BENEFIT FROM COMPOST?

People of Guam will certainly benefit from the development of our composting methodology not only as an efficient waste management strategy but also farmers, ranchers, households, hotel landscapers and public in general will benefit from the compost application on their land for whatever the land is used for.

This Bill (Bill No. 35) will provide funding for the composting project to be conducted by the University of Guam researcher in order to introduce a large scale composting technology and to develop a long-term solution to an old problem of waste management in the island of Guam.

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Senators:

The following are my comments on bill #135 scheduled for public hearing today.

I support this bill which will provide funding for composting equipment at the University of Guam, Marajan Agricultural Station.

We see that the UOG is becoming more active in environmentally related activities. Composting, as it is a natural decay process, can solve our island's municipal waste problem. It can turn a liability into an asset. Beyond this, it can serve to educate Guam residents that what many consider as waste is really a resource. A more informed public can be more receptive to making life style changes in the way we manage our waste materials and avoid sending recyclable/compostable items to our landfill.

Respectfully,


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

Bill No. 35 (PC)

Introduced by:

J.M.S. Brown 

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

2 **Section 1. Legislative findings and intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that
3 with the high volume of compostable material generated on Guam daily, and the need
4 to reduce waste from entering the landfill, there is a need for alternative means of
5 reducing waste in an environmentally friendly method. Therefore, the value of
6 composting biodegradable wastes will greatly benefit the people and environment of
7 Guam.

8 *I Liheslatura* further finds that the University of Guam's Inarajan Agricultural
9 Station has conducted successful composting projects, and would be best suited to
10 operate and expand composting operations that will benefit the community.

11 **Section 2. Deappropriation and Reappropriation.** The sum of Fifty
12 Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) is deappropriated from the sums appropriated to the
13 legislature prior to July 1, 2004 and reappropriated to the University of Guam's Inarajan
14 Agricultural Experiment Station for the sole purpose of purchasing a compost turner
15 and needed supplies for the compost operations. Notwithstanding any other law or

1 rule the Fiscal Officer of the legislature is authorized to reduce the allotment to Vice
2 Speaker Brown by an amount equal to the sum deappropriated by this section.

3 **Section 3. Reporting.** One hundred and eighty (180) days upon the
4 enactment of this law, and upon the expenditure of these funds, the University of
5 Guam's Inarajan Agricultural Experimental Station shall prepare financial reports for
6 the President of the University of Guam who shall then submit the reports to *I*
7 *Liheslaturan Guahan*. No portion of this appropriation shall be used for purposes other
8 than specifically defined in Section 2 of this law.

9 **Section 5. Severability.** *If* any provision of this law or its application to any
10 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such invalidity shall
11 *not* affect other provisions or applications of this law which can be given effect without
12 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this law are
13 severable.