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08 FEB 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. 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 PROGRAM," which I signed into law on February 7, 2006, as **Public Law 28-97**.

Sinseru yan Magåhet,

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

MARK FORBES

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Senator Edward J.B. Calvo	
SECRETARY OF THE LEGISLATURE	
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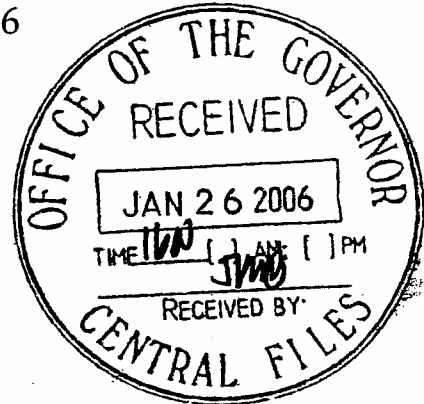
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MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
TWENTY-EIGHTH GUAM LEGISLATURE
155 Hessler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

January 25, 2006

The Honorable Felix P. Camacho
I Maga'lalen Guahan
Ufisinan I Maga'lahi
Hagåtña, Guam 96910



Dear *Maga'lahi* Camacho:

Transmitted herewith are Bill Nos. 90(EC), 147(LS), 160(EC), 206(EC) & 246(EC), and Substitute Bill Nos. 135(EC) & 233(EC) which were passed by *I Mina'Bente Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guahan* on January 25, 2006.

Sincerely,

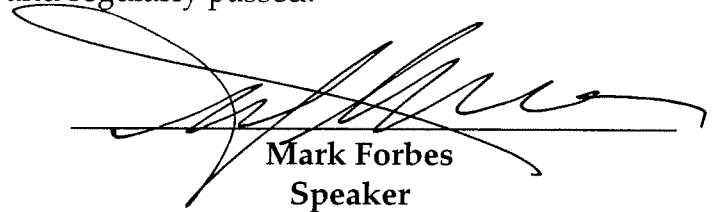

EDWARD J.B. CALVO
Senator and Secretary of the Legislature

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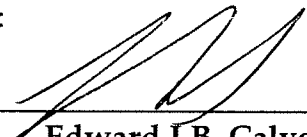
I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2006 (SECOND) Regular Session

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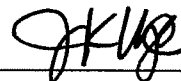
This is to certify that Bill No. 246 (EC), "AN ACT TO AMEND §19103 OF TITLE 17 GCA, RELATIVE TO ALLOWING STUDENTS POSSESSING A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN A SUBJECT OTHER THAN NURSING TO QUALIFY FOR THE NURSING TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM" was on the 25th day of January, 2006, duly and regularly passed.


Mark Forbes
Speaker


Attested:


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

This Act was received by *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan* this 26th day of January,
2006, at 4.10 o'clock P.M.


Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'lahaen's Office

APPROVED:


FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga'lahaen Guåhan

Date: 7 FEB 2006

Public Law No. 28-97

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

Bill No. 246 (EC)

As amended.

Introduced by:

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

**AN ACT TO *AMEND* §19103 OF TITLE 17 GCA, RELATIVE TO
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DEGREE IN A SUBJECT OTHER THAN NURSING TO
QUALIFY FOR THE NURSING TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAM.**

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6 resident alien; *and* who has been a resident of Guam for *at least* one (1) year *prior to*
7 the beginning of the academic semester or term the student is admitted, registered and

1 enrolled in the program. The number of trainees who may enroll in the program
2 annually shall be limited *only* by the capacity of the University of Guam and by funds
3 made available to it by annual appropriation. In the event of limited space and/or funds,
4 priority shall be given to students at the highest level of training and closest to the
5 completion of their program. No student may receive stipends beyond the number of
6 calendar years normally required to complete a training program. Notwithstanding any
7 other provision of law or administrative rules and regulations, students who hold a
8 Bachelor's Degree in a subject other than nursing shall be eligible for the program,
9 provided that such students meet all other requirements herein.”

I MINA' BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN

2006 (SECOND) Regular Session

Date: 1/25/06

VOTING SHEET

Bill No. 246 (EC)

Resolution No. _____

Question: _____

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

TOTAL

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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

Clerk of the Legislature

* 3 Passes = No vote
EA = Excused Absence

PL 28-97



January 17, 2006

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

Re: **Committee Recommendation, Bill 246 (EC)**

Dear Speaker Forbes:

The Committee on Education & Community Development, to which was referred **Bill No. 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**, herein reports back with the recommendation To Do Pass.

Votes are as Follows:

7 TO Pass

0 NOT TO Pass

0 TO REPORT OUT ONLY

0 ABSTAIN

0 INACTIVE FILE

Sincerely,


Larry F. Kasperbauer, Ph.D.

PL.28-97



January 16, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Members
Committee on Education and Community Development

FROM: Chairman

Subject: Voting Sheet, Bill 246 (EC)

Transmitted herewith are the voting sheets and the Committee Report of **Bill No. 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**, 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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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. 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.

VOTING SHEET: Bill No. 245 (EC)

Bill 246 (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. 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.

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 Adolpho B. Palacios, Sr.

Providing Testimony on Bill No. 246 (EC):

Dr. Harold L. Allen, President, University of Guam	oral
Maria I. Salomon, DNS, RN, Acting Director of Nursing, UOG	oral, written
Ms. Lillian Posadas, R.N., Nursing Supervisor, Guam Memorial Hospital	oral
Mr. Henry Taijeron, Acing Administrative Chair, College of Natural and Applied Sciences, UOG	oral
Mr. Wayne Kruckenberg	oral
Ms. Diana Nocon, nursing student	oral
Mr. Dave O'Brien, Vice-President of Finance and Administration	oral
Ms. Gloria Fernandez, Financial Aid Director, UOG	oral
Ms. Margarita Bautista Gay, Administrator, Bureau of Family Health Nursing, Department of Public Health & Social Services	written

II. Summary of Testimonies

Harold Allen, Ph.D., President, University of Guam, provided oral testimony in support of Bill No. 246. Dr. Allen stated that he applauds the intent of Bill No. 246 and that the University of Guam is cognizant of the shortage of medical professionals. He stated that UOG is prepared to provide for the educational needs of those who wish to pursue a career in nursing. Dr. Allen also responded to questions posed by Senator Kasperbauer regarding the reported space and faculty shortage at UOG and the interest in the nursing program passage of Bill No. 246 will likely generate. He stated that if the Bill is passed, reprogramming of funds will be necessary. He said that there is an urgent need to increase the base level of funding for financial assistance at UOG.

Maria I. Salomon, DNS, RN, Acting Director of Nursing, UOG, submitted written testimony in support of Bill No. 246. Ms. Salomon read her written testimony which provided a historical perspective of the UOG nursing program, some statistical data on the program, and the affect of program accreditation on student recruitment. She stated that second degree nursing students are just as important as beginning students and that through the Legislature's assistance; the program will continue to provide more nurses for Guam.

Mr. Henry Taijeron, Acing Administrative Chair, College of Natural and Applied Sciences, UOG, provided oral testimony in support of Bill No. 246. Mr. Taijeron stated that he supports the Bill and that the college offers the required courses in Biology and Chemistry for nursing students.

Mr. Wayne Kruckenberg, of Malojloj, gave oral testimony in support of Bill No. 246. Mr. Kruckenberg stated that he has a master's degree and is a GovGuam retiree. He wanted to pursue a second career in nursing but had to borrow about \$16,000 in order to take the prerequisite courses. He went on to say that the proposed financial assistance would help people such as himself and also would encourage more people to become nurses.

Ms. Lillian Posadas, representing Guam Memorial Hospital and its nurses, provided oral testimony in support of Bill No. 246. She thanked Senator Kasperbauer for proposing the Bill, stating that all the public health care facilities have been struggling with the shortage of nurses and that the nurses will support any legislation that will help alleviate the shortage. She added that, although a high percentage of nursing school graduates remain on Guam, only thirty-five to forty percent work at the hospital or at Public Health. She recommended that nursing scholarship recipients be obligated to work at GMH, Pubic Health or Mental Health since these entities suffer the most from the shortage of nurses.

Ms. Diana Nocon, nursing student, gave oral testimony in support of Bill No. 246. Ms. Nocon said that she has a bachelor's degree in Communications but wished to pursue nursing as a career. She stated that, in order to do so, she had to quit her job and pay for her schooling out of her own funds, with her credit cards, and with some help from her parents. She said the Bill would help her personally and would be of help to other students, as well.

II. Summary of Testimonies Cont.

Ms. Gloria Fernandez, Financial Aid Director, UOG, provided input in response to Senator Kasperbauer's questions about the nursing scholarship program as it relates to pre-nursing students. Ms. Fernandez stated that most of the students in the program are certified nursing students who are past the pre-nursing stage. While pre-nursing students are eligible, priority is given to those who have completed their prerequisite courses.

Mr. Dave O'Brien, Vice-President of Finance and Administration, UOG, responded to a question by Senator Kasperbauer regarding collections from former nursing students who have outstanding obligations with UOG. Mr. O'Brien did not have data specific to the nursing program, but stated that collections so far this year are about double that of last year for the entire Student Financial Aid Program.

Ms. Margarita Bautista Gay, Administrator, Bureau of Family Health Nursing, Department of Public Health & Social Services, submitted written testimony in support of Bill No. 246. Ms. Gay has worked extensively with second degree nursing students and has found them to be some of the most valuable students in the nursing training program. She states that, since most second degree students quit their jobs in order to become full-time nursing students, the nursing scholarship would assist them greatly in maintaining support for their families.

III. Findings & Recommendation


The Committee on Education and Community Development finds that Guam continues to experience a critical shortage of Registered Nurses at the Guam Memorial Hospital, the Department of Public Health & Social Services and at the Department of Mental Health. The Committee further finds that, among those who wish to pursue a nursing education are those who already have degrees in other fields. The nursing training scholarship program at the University of Guam currently can not accept into the program applicants with degrees. Bill No. 246 seeks to allow such applicants into the program. All testimony offered on the Bill was in support of the measure. Further, the University of Guam is willing and able to handle the increased enrollment that may result from enactment of the Bill.

The **Committee on Education and Community Development**, having heard public testimony on **Bill No. 246(EC)** and having deliberated on same, finds that the Legislature must act to alleviate the problems that our public healthcare institutions face daily due to a shortage of nurses. The Committee finds that **Bill No. 246(EC)** would contribute greatly toward that end. Accordingly, the **Committee on Education and Community Development** finds that **Bill No. 246(EC)** be reported out with the **Recommendation To Pass**.



Waiver of Fiscal Note

In accordance with § 9105 of Title 2 GCA, I hereby certify that prompt committee action on Bill No. 246 (EC) is necessary for the proper conduct of legislative business. Therefore, I am waiving the requirement for a Fiscal Note on Bill No. 246 (EC)


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

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

Bill No. 246 (EC)

Introduced by:

L.F. Kasperbauer
Mike Cruz
F. B. Aguon, Jr.

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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.
l 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.

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

SIGN-IN SHEET

✓ Name Harold Allen Maria Salomon Address 148 Edward Ln Piti GU	Agency or Interest Group (if applicable) UOG ^{President} Acting Director, Nursing	Contact No. 735-2651	Testimony X		Comment X	
			Oral X	written X	for X	Against

✓ Name WAYNE KRUCKENBERG Address PO BOX 1771 AGANA, GUAM MALOSLOJ, INARADAN, GUAM MYSELF	Agency or Interest Group (if applicable)	Contact No.	Testimony		Comment	
			Oral ✓	written	for ✓	Against

✓ Name Henry Taijean Address	Agency or Interest Group (if applicable) UOG faculty	Contact No. 735 2005	Testimony		Comment	
			Oral	written	for ✓	Against

Name Address	Agency or Interest Group (if applicable)	Contact No.	Testimony		Comment	
			Oral	written	for	Against

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

Bill 246 (EC):

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

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Address P.O. Box 8047 TAN GU 96931	DIANA NOCOW (STUDENT)	727-1019	Oral <input type="checkbox"/>	written <input type="checkbox"/>	for <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Against <input type="checkbox"/>

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			Oral	written	for	Against
D. O'BRIEN	UOG	735-2900			✓	
Address					✓	

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College of Professional Studies
School of Nursing, Social Work and Health Sciences

13 January 2006

Hon. Senator Larry Kasperbauer
Chairman: Committee on Education
and Community Development
28th Guam Legislature
155 Hesler St. Hagatna, Guam 96910

Re: Testimony on Bill 246

There are 2 major areas that the UOG Nursing Program addresses toward alleviating the Nursing shortage on Guam and the region: Recruitment and Retention- specifically the recruitment of students and faculty, and the retention of students, faculty and nurses. This testimony will address areas related to students and faculty. Our support for Bill 246 will be prefaced by an elaboration of the significance of the program and the trends we are facing in nursing education.

The historical significance and importance of the UOG nursing program in Guam and the region must be considered in order to understand the role that the UOG nursing program now plays in addressing the nursing shortage. In the 1960's to the late 1980's, UOG graduated associate degree-prepared nurses who were eligible to take the national licensing examination for registered nurses (NCLEX-RN). The nursing program also offered a Second-step nursing track which allowed these nurses to obtain their Bachelor of Science in Nursing. In light of the increasing complexity of the health care delivery system and developments in medicine and health care, nursing made dramatic advances nationally as a professional discipline. In keeping with these developments, and the need of Guam and the region for nurse educators, nurse leaders, nurse managers and nurse researchers, the UOG program was changed to the Bachelor's degree program with 2 tracks for obtaining a bachelor's degree: the 4 year Generic or Basic BSN track and the Second-Step BSN track. Through the American Pacific Nurse Leaders Council, the regional plan for nursing was to develop and implement career ladder pipelines toward an Associate degree in nursing in jurisdictions with community colleges. The nurse graduates from these colleges would then articulate to the BSN program in Guam.

Because Guam is a US territory, and nursing faculty are educated in the mainland, the program subscribes to national US standards for nursing. In 1996, the program was initially accredited by the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission and then reaccredited until 2010. It is no small achievement that the program was reaccredited. Accreditation means program standards are on par with similar BSN programs in the US. Students of accredited institutions can transfer credits

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A Land Grant Institution Accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges
and the National League for Nursing



UNIVERSITY OF GUAM
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from one institution to another. Our graduates are accepted by the military and by graduate programs. We are also getting more and more inquiries from off island students and transfer students from other nursing programs.

A few years ago, several concerns were expressed regarding the UOG program. How many graduates are passing the licensing exam? Would it be cheaper to close the program and fund off-island education? How many graduates actually stay on Guam to serve? In answer to these questions- the pass rate in the licensing exam since 2000 has stayed well above the benchmark of 75%. UOG tuition and fees have stayed lower than the national, and except for military-related students and students who join families off-island, 80-90% UOG graduates stay in Guam.

More currently because the shortage of nurses has become critical, the pressing questions in nursing education have become: How many are graduating from the program? How many are applying? How many are progressing? This testimony concerns those who are applying. To answer how many are graduating is to ask how many are being admitted to the program. This question is very simple, but the answer is complex. The Rules and Regulations for Nursing Education (GBNE) states that the number of students is related to the number of nursing faculty. When the BSN program was still young, there were 12-15 full time nursing faculty positions, and the average number graduating was 15-18. Last year we were down to 6 full time faculty and after 1 ½ year of recruiting we were able to recruit 2 from off island. Competition for faculty has become as critical as competition for nurses, therefore, the need to address recruitment of both students and faculty to keep the program going to address the nursing shortage.

In the past 3 years, UOG made it a point to implement student recruitment plans. In nursing, we recruit for many reasons, foremost being the need to answer the community's need for nurses. Since the program was accredited, we have seen a doubling of the number of Prenursing students. In 2003, the count was 175, 2004 was 275 and Fall 2005 was 330. We hope the interest in nursing continues and we are glad that everyone is endeavoring to be proactive.

For the Nursing major, from an average number of applicants at 30, the number of applicants have increased to almost 70. In 2004, inspite of the severe shortage of full time faculty, the program admitted 29 qualified applicants out of 35, in 2005 the program admitted 40, and this Spring, we are up to 45 qualified full time and part time students out of about 70 applicants. What needs to be known and understood is that the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners Rules and Regulations requires that for every increase of 10 Nursing students in fundamental clinical courses, there must be 2 clinical faculty. Program faculty support this rule because we are dealing with direct supervision of students taking care of actual patients in acute care settings. More than 10 would mean inadequate supervision and teaching/learning.

To compensate for the lack of full time faculty, we recruit from the ranks of staff nurses who are BSN prepared to help us teach clinical courses. GMH and the Naval hospital have been our major sources of adjunct faculty. What suffers if we use mostly

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adjunct faculty? Program quality and our accreditation, not because adjuncts do not do an excellent job because they do, but if full time faculty concentrate only on teaching and training, we cannot balance our responsibilities to take care of evaluating the program's effectiveness, implement necessary courses that would enable our students to become more successful, or write grants to help bring in more funds to support the program to name a few.

In conclusion, it is a worthwhile amendment to the Nurse Training Act to provide support to all students seeking to be nurses in Guam. The program and the nursing profession appreciates what the legislature is doing to assist the us. These second degree nursing students are just as important as beginning nursing students. They have the maturity and the capacity to become excellent nurses. As long as the program remains accredited, has an adequate complement of faculty for both nursing and prerequisite courses, classroom space, laboratory facilities and supplies for increased enrollment, the program will continue to provide more nurses on Guam, and assist the region in maintaining a pipeline for nurses.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Maria I. Salomon, DNS, RN
Acting Director, Nursing

Testimony on Bill 246

Relative to allowing students possessing a Bachelors Degree in a subject other than Nursing to qualify for the Nursing Training Scholarship
by Senator L.F. Kasperbauer

Good Morning Senators, My name is Margarita Bautista Gay RN.MN. I am the new Administrator of Bureau of Family Health and Nursing Services at the Department of Public Health. I am here on behalf of the Department of Public Health and the Community Health Nursing area.

In the past ten years I have been an instructor, mentor, preceptor, advisor, and a colleague to some of the 2nd degree nursing students. Working and teaching with these most motivating, interesting, intelligent, and understanding individuals have been very rewarding experience as a leader in the community. They come to the nursing program with years of experience of the real world after college, also they come with a wealth of knowledge in different fields in business, sciences, and education. These individual are one of the most valuable nursing students in the program because they assist other students in leadership skills, they share their experience with what is really happening to the world today, but what I found most interesting is that they are good motivators in the program. They help the group get more involve in activities, they are good role models, they share experiences, and bring another perspective into the picture. These students help other students see that nursing can be achieved and experience does help along the way.

So, having a Bachelor degree in any field is an accomplishment and one that should never be downed at to anyone who has achieved that goal. With that background and grounded education, that person has been evaluating his/her experience. By evaluating his/her past history, they come into the program with goals of success for the future.

Second degree students bring an array of experiences to the new college students, they exhibit leadership skills that they have learned in a group project or discussion. They also share their sense of responsibility to an assignment and dedication to complete the task to get them to their Nursing degree.

Most second degree students quit their jobs, put their families on hold, to become a full-time student, so they can get into the nursing program, which leads them to leaving their family to find other income to support them. That itself is a huge responsibility for an individual to handle. This scholarship can be one source for a second degree student can get financial support.

With respects to how these students relate to the Community Health Nursing field, these students have shown how having a second degree helps in communicating, managing activities, applying cultural concepts, and assisting our

clients in the community. And dealing with individuals, and families in the community take a skill, understanding with the island situations, communicating other than in writing, and assist clients to other agencies/programs, is not any easy job. But these students have the experience with dealing with these individuals and sometimes the skill for these individuals to follow their direction in improving their health care. Our clients also tend to follow their teachings because these students understand where they are coming from and listen to what they are saying. The Community Health on Guam needs these students to help promote wellness and prevent diseases.

So with these examples of their dedication and commitment, wouldn't you want to have them to apply to this scholarship and also benefit from it too? They want to become a Nurse and the Nursing field needs them and their second degree to help in the health care of our community and Guam

So I am in favor of this Bill 246

Thank you Senators for your time to this important concern.

Margarita Bautista Gay RN. MN
Administrator of the Bureau of Family Health Nursing Services
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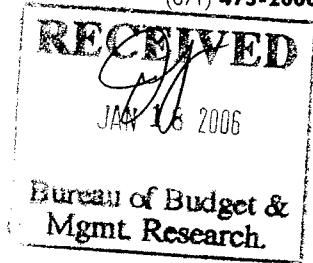
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Mr. Carlos Bordallo
Director
Bureau of Budget & Management Research
P.O. Box 2950
Hagatna, Guam 96932



Dear Mr. Bordallo:

Buenas Yan Hafa Adai!

Pursuant to Chapter 9 of Title 2, Guam Code Annotated, I respectfully request that your office issue Fiscal Notes for the attached bills which were referred to the committee on Education and Community Development.

➤ Bill No. 245 (EC) by L.F. Kasperbauer

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Thank you for your time and consideration regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. Kasperbauer, Ph.D.

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MEMORANDUM

To: All Members - All Senators
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From: Chairman *Larry Kasperbauer*

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

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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.

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Death Anniversary and Community/Civic Functions

Reservations for chairs and other available logistics must be reserved at least two weeks prior to the event. These functions will take precedence over private party reservations. Your cooperation and understanding are appreciated.

Recreation

The community indoor recreation is open from 3pm - 9pm on Mon., & Wed. The Mayor's Office is seeking responsible volunteers to open up on Fri., same time.

DPW

DPW tipping fee customer experiencing problems with trash collection or other matters must contact DPW Customer Service @ 646-3109/11/43.

YIGO

Abandoned Vehicles

All residents are encouraged to contact the Mayor's Office to report any abandoned vehicles in their areas, when the funding is avail. for the abandoned vehicle program, residents will be notified. Call the Mayor's Office for more info.

Veterans

The Federal Veterans Advisory is requesting for all veterans who had served in the Armed Forces to please register at the Mayor's Office. For more info contact the Mayor's Office.

Girl Scout Meetings

Every Sat. from 4-7pm at the Yigo Senior Citizens Center. Anyone interested in joining see the Girl Scout reps. anytime during the scheduled meetings.

Burning Permits

Please be advised that burning of trash in any area, a burning permit must be obtained from the Guam Fire Dept., and all restrictions stated on the permit must be followed.

Scout Troop 26

The Scout Troop 26 Crew 26, (cub pack 26) meets every Tue. @ 7pm, Yigo Senior Citizen's Center. Boys 9-18 yrs. old are welcome. For more info, call 649-0649.

Yigo Youth Organization

Looking for individuals ages 13-25 interested in being members for the Yigo Youth Organization. Pls contact Mayor Robert Lizama at 653-9119/9446/5248.

Calling for Sports Teams

Any interested teams willing to participate in softball, basketball, & volleyball ages 14 and up for Mens, Womens, & Co-Ed, pls contact Robert Leones (Basketball) or Patrick Alvarez (Volleyball) at the Yigo Gym @ 653-3088/653-3089 from 2-10 p.m. or Ronald Flores at 653-9446/5248.

Youth Baseball

Children ages of 7 & 14 interested in playing baseball, pls contact Dominic Pangelinan at 653-5392 or the Yigo Mayor's Office for more info.

Volleyball Coach

Coaches willing to coach for the volleyball league pls contact Patrick Alvarez @ 653-3088/653-3089 or Ronald Flores @ 653-9446/5248, also contact the Mayor's Office for a site listing.

TAMUNING/TUMON/HARMON Merry Christsmas

The Mayor and Vice Mayor with the staff of the Mayor's Office would like to wish everyone a Blessed and Joyous Christmas, we ask that you all be safe on this special day.

Residential Info

Residents are reminded to pls stop by the Mayor's Office during office hours to update your residential information. Also, residents who have just moved in to the village or who have not registered as residents are asked to stop by the Mayor's Office and register as residents.

Mayor's Office Compound

The Mayor's Office Compound will be secured from 10pm-8am this will include 5:30pm.

Typhoons Basketball Club

Practive is held every Fri. from 5 - 8pm.

Guam Masters National Team

Men 60+ yrs. are welcomed to play basketball on Tues & Thurs 8-9pm at the Tamuning Gym. Sign up at the Tamuning Mayor's office.

Ball Room Dancing

Ball Room Dancing classes avail. Those interested may sign up at the Mayor's office.

Tamuning Multi-Purpose Field

Residents and/or Teams who utilize the Tamuning Multipurpose Field b/w Tam. Elem. & LBJ are asked to please pick-up trash after using the field to include Skate Park, Baseball Court, & the Parking Lot.

Seeking Volunteers

Residents are encouraged to call the Mayor's Office for a program or interest that you would like brought in our community. The Mayor's Office is currently seeking professional instructors to volunteer their time to programs for the young and old.

Famagusa Guahan Cultural Dance Group Class

The Dance Group classes are now at the Tamuning Gym. All ages are being accepted. The classes will be held every Sat., 9-12 p.m.

SINAJANA Pardon Our Progress

Please be cautious of the crews working on and upgrading the GPA underground power lines throughout the community. Drivers proceed with caution.

New 4-way Stop

A 4-way stop has been installed in front of St. Jude Church and the Fire Station on Chalan Guma Ytos & Bien Venida

Office for info and registration forms. \$65 registration fee inc. uniform. \$55 per month.

GGARP/SPIMA

Senior citizens/Manamko' ages 60+ please enroll in the GGARP/SPIMA program being offered. For more info please contact site mgr. Ms. Carmen Agnon at 477-9321.

Street-Lights

See Rudy Triarte or visit our office about damaged street-lights. Fill out a repair/installation form for specific location.

Residential Listing

Residents with new info are asked to update at the Mayor's Office.

Sinajana Veterans

Anyone who has not registered, visit the Veterans Affairs Office. Family members are urged to ask parents or relatives to register. For more info contact Cynthia Gogo @ 642-4110.

Coral

For flood prevention & other purposes, coral is avail. on the empty lot of PayLess In Sinajana. Take as much as needed but don't waste.

Report Illegal Acts

Keep our community crime free. Report illegal acts immediately to proper authorities.

BARRIGADA Youth Recreation Center

Hours 4-9pm M-F. Table tennis, pool, darts, brd. games avail. Donations of new & used sports equip. & games are welcome. Call the mayor's office.

Register/ Update

Residents are encouraged to visit the Mayor's Office to register and/or update census household registration forms.

POSTPONED

Nov 16-30 deadline until Jan. 2006, for residents affected by Leyang Sewer Line Phase I: must apply at Guam Waterworks Authority; to complete house interconnection hook-up to main sewer line, more info contact GCC @ 734-1820.

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Regular monthly meeting Jan. 3, 2006, 7:00 pm @ the Mayor's Office.

GWA

All residents experiencing low water pressure, contact Mayor's Office for survey report to GWA.

DPW

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GAIN Pets of the Week



GRETA

This stunning red female with her black face is a beauty. She is a petite lady with pointy ears and is very alert. She is 1 year old and walks well on a leash. GRETA is easy going and loves children.



ALFALFA

This handsome tuxedo black/white male is a sweet & loving short hair domestic cat. He is affectionate and loves to be petted. He is litter box trained. Come to the GAIN Animal Shelter. In Yigo or call 653-GAIN (4246) for more information.

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GUAM CRIME STOPPERS

P.O. BOX 23833 GMF, GUAM 96921. 477-HELP (4357)

Robbery

Guam Crime Stoppers is asking for the public's assistance relative to a "Robbery" that occurred by Two Lovers Point, Harmon.

Synopsis:

At about 12 midnight, 12/30/05, four tourist women were robbed by a man near Two Lovers point area, Harmon. It was reported that the man offered the women a ride in the Tumon area and drove them around to several places before driving to Two Lovers Point area, where he pulled over and demanded for money. He allegedly took all their purses containing thousands of dollars in U.S. Currency, electronic devices, and miscellaneous items. The man is described as: Poss.Local/5'5"-5'8"/Heavy Build/Dark Comp./Black Hair/LL Shirt and Blue Jeans. Driving a 4Door Sedan/Red/License Plate # Unknown.

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Guam Public Library Bookmobile

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Death Anniversary and Community/Civic Functions

Reservations for chairs and other available logistics must be reserved at least two weeks prior to the event. These functions will take precedence over private party reservations. Your cooperation and understanding are appreciated.

Recreation

The community indoor recreation is open from 3pm - 9pm on Mon. & Wed. The Mayor's Office is seeking responsible volunteers to open up on Fri., same time.

DPW

DPW tipping fee customers experiencing problems with trash collection or other matters must contact DPW Customer Service @ 646-3109/11/43.

YIGO

Abandoned Vehicles

All residents are encouraged to contact the Mayor's Office to report any abandoned vehicles in their areas, when the funding is avail. for the abandoned vehicle program, residents will be notified. Call the Mayor's Office for more info.

Veterans

The Federal Veterans Advisory is requesting for all veterans who had served in the Armed Forces to please register at the Mayor's Office. For more info contact the Mayor's Office.

Girl Scout Meetings

Every Sat. from 4-7pm at the Yigo Senior Citizens Center. Anyone interested in joining see the Girl Scout reps. anytime during the scheduled meetings.

Burning Permits

Please be advised that burning of trash in any area, a burning permit must be obtained from the Guam Fire Dept., and all restrictions stated on the permit must be followed.

Scout Troop 26

The Scout Troop 26 Crew 26, (cub pack 26) meets every Tue. @ 7pm, Yigo Senior Citizen's Center. Boys 9-18 yrs. old are welcome. For more info, call 649-0649.

for needy families. If you would like to donate for this cause, you may drop off your donation to the Mayors Office. For more information pls contact Ron Flores at 653-3088/9 Mon-Fri between 2-10pm.

Calling for Sports Teams

Any interested teams willing to participate in softball, basketball, & volleyball ages 14 and up for Mens, Womens, & Co-Ed, pls contact Robert Leonos (Basketball) or Patrick Alvarez (Volleyball) at the Yigo Gym @ 653-3088/653-3089 from 2-10 p.m. or Ronald Flores at 653-9446/5248.

Youth Baseball

Children ages of 7 & 14 interested in playing baseball, pls contact Dominic Pangelinan at 653-5392 or the Yigo Mayor's Office for more info.

Volleyball Coach

Coaches willing to coach for the volleyball league pls contact Patrick Alvarez @ 653-3088/653-3089 or Ronald Flores @ 653-9446/5248. Or also contact the Mayor's Office for a site listing.

TAMUNING/TUMON/HARMON Merry Christmas

The Mayor and Vice Mayor with the staff of the Mayor's Office would like to wish everyone a Blessed and Joyous Christmas, we ask that you all be safe on this special day.

Residential Info

Residents are reminded to pls stop by the Mayor's Office during office hours to update your residential information. Also, residents who have just moved in to the village or who have not registered as residents are asked to stop by the Mayor's Office and register as residents.

Mayor's Office Compound

The Mayor's Office Compound will be secured from 10pm-8am this will include 5:30pm.

Typhoons Basketball Club

Practice is held every Fri. from 5 - 8pm.

Guam Masters National Team

Men 60+ yrs. are welcomed to play basketball on Tues & Thurs 8-9pm at the Tamuning Gym. Sign up at the Tamuning Mayor's office.

Ball Room Dancing

Ball Room Dancing classes avail. Those interested may sign up at the Mayor's office.

Tamuning Multi-Purpose Field

Residents and/or Teams who utilize the Tamuning Multipurpose Field h/w Tam. Elem. & LBJ are asked to please pick-up trash after using the field to include Skate Park, Baseball Court, & the Parking Lot.

Seeking Volunteers

Residents are encouraged to call the Mayor's Office for a program or interest that you would like brought in our community. The Mayor's Office is currently seeking professional instructors to volunteer their time to programs for the young and old.

Famaguon Guahan Cultural Dance Group Class

The Dance Group classes are now at the Tamuning Gym. All ages are being accepted. The classes will be held every Sat., 9-12 p.m.

SINAJANA

Pardon Our Progress

Please be cautious of the crews working on and upgrading the GPA Underground power lines throughout the community. Drivers proceed with caution.

New 4-way Stop

Youth Center

Youths and young adults interested in Taekwondo please contact Mayor's Office for info and registration forms. \$65 registration fee inc. uniform, \$35 per month.

GGARP/SPIMA

Senior citizens/Manamko' ages 60+ please enroll in the GGARP/SPIMA program being offered. For more info please contact site mgr: Ms. Carmen Aguon at 477-9321.

Street-lights

See Rudy Iriarte or visit our office about damaged street-lights. Fill out a repair/installation form for specific location.

Residential Listing

Residents with new info are asked to update at the Mayor's Office.

Sinajana Veterans

Anyone who has not registered, visit the Veterans Affairs Office. Family members are urged to ask parents or relatives to register. For more info contact Cynthia Gogo @ 642-4110.

Coral

For flood prevention & other purposes, coral is avail. on the empty lot of PayLess in Sinajana. Take as much as needed but don't waste.

Report Illegal Acts

Keep our community crime free. Report illegal acts immediately to proper authorities.

BARRIGADA

Youth Recreation Center

Hours 4-9pm M-F. Table tennis, pool, darts, brd. games avail. Donations of new & used sports equip. & games are welcome. Call the mayor's office.

Register/Update

Residents are encouraged to visit the Mayor's Office to register and/or update census household registration forms.

POSTPONED

Nov 16-30 deadline until Jan. 2006, for residents affected by Leyang Sewer Line Phase I: must apply at Guam Waterworks Authority; to complete house interconnection hook-up to main sewer line, more info contact GCC @ 734-1820. MUNICIPAL PLANNING CONGIL Regular monthly meeting Jan. 3, 2006, 7:00 pm @ the Mayor's Office.

GWA

All residents experiencing low water pressure, contact Mayor's Office for survey report to GWA.

DPW

Residents urged to register abandoned vehicles and white goods in anticipation of DPW village collection, forms are available at the Mayor's office.

GAIN Pets of the Week



LIVE is a young German Shepherd Mix female who will be a smallish dog. She is petite and won't grow to be as large as the German Shepherds grow. She is about 5 months old and is very playful and loves attention from all humans. She has typical Shepherd coloring and a short coat.



TIL A This stunning Siamese female is a beauty. She has large, clear blue eyes and is very inquisitive. She has a Microchip, is spayed and declawed, therefore she has to be an indoor cat ONLY. She is house trained.

Come to the GAIN Animal Shelter in Yigo or call 653-GAIN (4246) for more information.

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

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ATTN: community page

GUAM CRIME STOPPERS

P.O. BOX 23833 GMF, GUAM 96921. 477-HELP (4357)

Robbery
Guam Crime Stoppers is asking for the public's assistance relative to a "Robbery" that occurred by Two Lovers Point, Harmon.

Synopsis:
At about 12 midnight, 12/30/05, four tourist women were robbed by a man near Two Lovers point area, Harmon. It was reported that the man offered the women a ride in the Tumon area and drove them around to several places before driving to Two Lovers Point area, where he pulled over and demanded for money. He allegedly took all their purses containing thousands of dollars in U.S. Currency, electronic devices, and miscellaneous items. The man is described as; Poss.Local/5'5"-5'8"/Heavy Build/Dark Comp./Black Hair/Lt.Shirt and Blue Jeans. Driving a 4Door Sedan/Red/License Plate # Unknown.

If you have any information about this crime, or any crime, please call Guam Crime Stoppers at 477-HELP (4357) or "HELP" on your Guamcell phone.

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GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

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Jan. 13
Committee on Education and Community Development public

hearing: 10 a.m. Jan. 13, Legislature's public hearing room, Hagåtña. Bill 245, to expand provisions of the merit award program; Bill 246, to allow students possessing a bachelor's degree in a subject other than nursing to qualify for the Nursing Training Scholarship; substitute Bill 234, concerning mandatory fines on owners of impounded dogs and to establish a stray dog revolving fund.

GovGuam Retirement Fund Board of Trustees regular meeting: Noon Jan. 13, Retirement Fund conference room, Route 8, Maite. For special accommodations, call 475-8900/1.

Guam Board of Allied Health Examiners rescheduled regular meeting: Noon Jan. 13, FHP Home Health Care conference room, Suite 102, E.T. Calvo Memorial Parkway, Tamuning. Agenda copies available.

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 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 Marilyn 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, HRRR 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 735-7467/7492.

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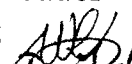
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Bill No. 246 (FC)

Introduced by:

L.F. Kasperbauer 

Mike Cruz 

F. P. Aguana 

**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.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. §19103 of 17G.C.A is hereby *amended* to read:

§19103. Selection of Trainees. The program shall be open to any student who has completed high school, or is otherwise declared by the University of Guam as eligible for admission to the program; who is a United States citizen or permanent resident alien; *and* who has been a resident of Guam for *at least* one (1) year *prior to* the beginning of the academic semester or term the student is admitted, registered and enrolled in the program. The number of trainees who may enroll in the program annually shall be limited *only* by the capacity of the University of Guam and by funds made available to it by annual appropriation. In the event of limited space and/or funds, priority shall be given to students at the highest level of training and closest to the completion of their program. No student may receive stipends beyond the number of calendar years normally required to complete a training program. Notwithstanding any other provision of law or administrative rules and regulations, students who hold a bachelors degree in a subject other than nursing shall be eligible for the program herein provided that such students meet all other requirements herein.