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JAN 13 2017

Honorable Benjamin J. F. Cruz
Speaker
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Speaker Benjamin J.F. Cruz

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Dear Speaker Cruz:

Transmitted herewith is Bill No. 403-33(LS), "AN ACT TO AMEND § 7117 OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING THE ISSUANCE OF SALVAGE TITLE CERTIFICATES OF OWNERSHIP FOR VEHICLES TRANSFERRED TO INSURANCE COMPANIES AS A RESULT OF PAYMENT OF CLAIMS FOR TOTAL LOSS," which was signed into law on January 9, 2017, as **Public Law 33-234**.

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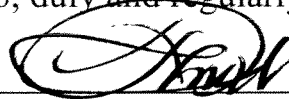
Senseramente,


RAY TENORIO
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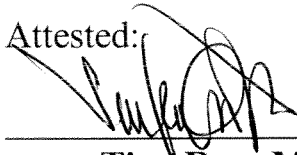
CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO *I MAGA'LÁHEN GUÁHAN*

This is to certify that **Bill No. 403-33 (LS)**, “AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 7117 OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING THE ISSUANCE OF SALVAGE TITLE CERTIFICATES OF OWNERSHIP FOR VEHICLES TRANSFERRED TO INSURANCE COMPANIES AS A RESULT OF PAYMENT OF CLAIMS FOR TOTAL LOSS,” was on the 30th day of December 2016, duly and regularly passed.



Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.
Speaker

Attested:



Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'láhen Guáhan* this 30^m day of DEC,
2016, at 8:50 o'clock P.M.



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Date: JAN 09 2017

Public Law No. 33-234

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Bill No. 403-33 (LS)

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**AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 7117 OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16,
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REQUIRING THE ISSUANCE OF SALVAGE TITLE
CERTIFICATES OF OWNERSHIP FOR VEHICLES
TRANSFERRED TO INSURANCE COMPANIES AS A
RESULT OF PAYMENT OF CLAIMS FOR TOTAL LOSS.**

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

2 **Section 1.** § 7117 of Title 16, Guam Code Annotated, is *amended* to read as
3 follows:

4 **“§ 7117. Certificate: Contents.**

5 (a) The certificate of ownership *shall* contain upon the face thereof
6 the identical information required upon the face of the registration card.

1 (b) The certificate of ownership *shall* contain upon the reverse side,
2 forms for notice to the Department of a transfer of the title or interest of the
3 owner or legal owner and application for such transfer by the transferee.

4 (c) The certificate of ownership of a vehicle where title is acquired
5 by an insurance company as a result of payment of an insurance claim *shall*
6 prominently display the words “Salvage Title” on said certificate. The words
7 “Salvage Title” *shall* remain on the certificate title in perpetuity for all
8 successive owners of said vehicle or any secondary vehicle from which said
9 vehicle’s chassis or parts of said vehicle’s chassis is used to repair, replace, or
10 refurbish the secondary vehicle. Failure to disclose such insurance claim
11 information, as stated in this Subsection, to the Department of Revenue and
12 Taxation when transferring ownership is a civil violation and subject to a fine
13 of *not less than* Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). For purposes of this
14 Subsection, *salvage* refers to any vehicle for which an insurance company has
15 deemed not economically feasible to repair.

16 (d) An insurance company that obtains ownership by payment of a
17 claim for the full insured value of a vehicle *shall* obtain a salvage title
18 certificate of ownership, within ten (10) days of the payment of such claim
19 (weekends and government of Guam holidays excepted), from the
20 Department of Revenue and Taxation prior to selling or otherwise disposing
21 of the vehicle. The Department of Revenue and Taxation may charge said
22 insurance company a fee not to exceed Three Dollars (\$3.00). Subsequent
23 sales or transfers of a vehicle with a salvage title *shall* be subject to a fee of
24 Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00). Fee revenues herein *shall* be deposited in the
25 Better Public Service Fund and are continually appropriated to the Motor
26 Vehicle Division of the Department of Revenue and Taxation.

1 (e) In the event that an insurance company pays a claim for the full
2 insured value of a vehicle and allows the insured to retain ownership of the
3 vehicle, the insurance company *shall*, within ten (10) days of the payment of
4 such claim (weekends and government of Guam holidays excepted) notify the
5 Motor Vehicle Division of the Department of Revenue and Taxation of such
6 claim. Subsequent transfers of ownership of said vehicles, *shall* be issued a
7 salvage title certificate of ownership.

8 (f) A vehicle that receives a salvage title certificate of ownership
9 may be registered for use on Guam's public roadways; *provided*, that such
10 vehicle is deemed safe for use on public roads by a licensed repair shop."