

I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES	NOTES
107-35 (LS) As amended on the Floor	Telena Cruz Nelson Amanda L. Shelton Joe S. San Agustin James C. Moylan	AN ACT TO AMEND §§ 12107(u), 12113(a) AND (b), 12114(a) AND (d), AND TO ADD NEW §§ 12113(e)(3) AND 12114(a)(6), ALL OF CHAPTER 12, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ACCREDITATION AND THE RENEWAL PERIOD FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS; ACCREDITATION STATUS; AND ALLEVIATING THE CAUSES OF PROBATION FOR THE SAME.	4/23/19 4: 03 p.m.	5/2/19	Committee on Education, Air Transportation, and Statistics, Research, and Planning	6/12/19 5:00 p.m.	7/8/19 10:37 p.m.	Request: 5/3/19 Waiver: 5/23/19	
	SESSION DATE	TITLE	DATE PASSED	TRANSMITTED	DUE DATE	PUBLIC LAW NO.	DATE SIGNED	NOTES	
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July 19, 2019

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Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes

HONORABLE TINA MUÑA BARNES
Speaker
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35th Guam Legislature
Guam Congress Building
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- Re: **Bill No. 57-35 (COR)** – Relative to the Process of Approving or Denying Charter School Petitions.
- Bill No. 106-35 (COR)** – Relative To Separating The Guam Academy Charter Schools' Budgetary And Organizational Process From That Of The Guam Department Of Education, Authorizing The Public Auditor To Supervise Audits, Establishing Standards For The Guam Academy Charter School Council, Board Of Trustees, And Appeals Board, And Establishing Rules, Deadlines, And Use Of Funds Appropriated To Charter Schools
- Bill No. 107-35 (COR)** – Relative To Accreditation And The Renewal Period For Charter Schools; Accreditation Status; And Alleviating The Causes Of Probation For The Same.

Dear Madame Speaker:

I am thankful that the Legislature shares my passion in ensuring that our island's youth has access to the best education that fits her or his individual needs.

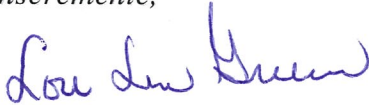
In 2009, the Guam Academy Charter School Act was enacted to provide opportunities for teachers, parents, guardians, students and community members to establish and maintain schools that operate independently from the Department of Education. Today, 10 years later, we are seeing the results of that movement and our charter schools have grown to give legitimate alternatives in education. These bills indicate not only the need to be continuously mindful of how legislation affects real life practice, but more importantly, the positive momentum towards fulfilling the original goals of the Guam Academy Charter School Act.

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To continue that momentum, I am pleased to sign Bill Nos. 57-35 (COR), 106-35 (LS), and 107-35 (LS) into law as **Public Laws 35-28, 35-29, and 35-30**, respectively.

Senseremente,



LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO

Maga'hågan Guåhan

Governor of Guam

Enclosure: Bill No. 57-35 nka P.L. 35-28
Bill No. 106-35 nka P.L. 35-29
Bill No. 107-35 nka P.L. 35-30

cc: *Sigundo Maga'lahi* (via email)
Compiler Of Laws (via email)

I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2019 (FIRST) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO *I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN*

This is to certify that **Bill No. 107-35 (LS), "AN ACT TO AMEND §§ 12107(u), 12113(a) AND (b), AND 12114(a) AND (d); AND TO ADD NEW §§ 12113(e)(3) AND 12114(a)(6), ALL OF CHAPTER 12, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ACCREDITATION AND THE RENEWAL PERIOD FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS; ACCREDITATION STATUS; AND ALLEVIATING THE CAUSES OF PROBATION FOR THE SAME,"** was on the 11th day of July 2019, duly and regularly passed.

Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Speaker

Attested:

Amanda L. Shelton
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 11th day of July, 2019, at 6:13 o'clock P.M.

Jessica Cruz
Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'håga's Office

APPROVED:

Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: 7/19/2019

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I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2019 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 107-35 (LS)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO *AMEND* §§ 12107(u), 12113(a) AND (b), AND 12114(a) AND (d); AND TO *ADD NEW* §§ 12113(e)(3) AND 12114(a)(6), ALL OF CHAPTER 12, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ACCREDITATION AND THE RENEWAL PERIOD FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS; ACCREDITATION STATUS; AND ALLEVIATING THE CAUSES OF PROBATION FOR THE SAME.

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

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds
3 that accreditation is crucial in determining whether an institution meets the standard

1 of quality education. Accredited secondary institutions are especially important for
2 students to have access to any college in the United States.

3 It is, therefore, the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to ensure that Guam
4 Academy Charter Schools are accountable for maintaining a minimum of
5 accreditation status.

6 **Section 2.** § 12107(u) of Chapter 12, Title 17, Guam Code Annotated, is
7 *amended* to read:

8 “(u) An Academy Charter School *shall* initiate the process for
9 accreditation within the first one hundred twenty (120) days of opening and
10 attain accreditation within six (6) years of opening.”

11 **Section 3.** § 12113(a) of Chapter 12, Title 17, Guam Code Annotated, is
12 *amended* to read:

13 “(a) A Charter granted to an Academy Charter School *shall* remain in
14 force for a six (6) year period, unless revoked as authorized in § 12114 of this
15 Chapter.”

16 **Section 4.** § 12113(b) of Chapter 12, Title 17, Guam Code Annotated, is
17 *amended* to read:

18 “(b) A Charter may be renewed an unlimited number of times, each
19 time for a six (6) year period.”

20 **Section 5.** The first paragraph of § 12114(a) of Chapter 12, Title 17, Guam
21 Code Annotated, is *amended* to read:

22 “(a) The Council *shall* place an Academy Charter School on
23 probation or revoke the Academy Charter School’s Charter if the Council
24 determines that the Academy Charter School:”

25 **Section 6.** § 12114(d) of Chapter 12, Title 17, Guam Code Annotated, is
26 *amended* to read:

1 “(d) The Council *may* place an Academy Charter School on
2 probation, rather than revoke its Charter, in order to allow for the
3 implementation of a remedial plan approved by the Council. If after *no more*
4 *than* one hundred eighty (180) days, or such longer period as the Council may
5 specify, said plan is unsuccessful in remedying the problem or alleviating the
6 causes of the probation, the Council *shall* revoke the Charter.”

7 **Section 7.** A new § 12113(e)(3) is *added* to Chapter 12 of Title 17, Guam
8 Code Annotated, to read:

9 “(3) the Academy Charter School failed to attain a minimum of
10 candidacy status towards its accreditation.”

11 **Section 8.** A new § 12114(a)(6) is *added* to Chapter 12 of Title 17, Guam
12 Code Annotated, to read:

13 “(6) has failed to maintain or attain a minimum of candidacy
14 accreditation.”

15 **Section 9. Effective Date.** This Act *shall* be effective upon enactment.