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<td>Telena Cruz Nelson, Amanda L. Shelton, Joe S. San Agustin, James C. Morlan</td>
<td>AS AMENDED §§ 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.</td>
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**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.**

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July 19, 2019

HONORABLE TINA MUÑA BARNES
Speaker
I Mina’trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
35th Guam Legislature
Guam Congress Building
Hagåtña, Guam 96910


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.
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  
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cc: *Sigundo Maga’lahi* (via email)  
Compiler Of Laws (via email)
I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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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.

Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'håga’s Office

APPROVED:

Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: 9/19/2019

Public Law No. 35-30
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.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds that accreditation is crucial in determining whether an institution meets the standard
of quality education. Accredited secondary institutions are especially important for
students to have access to any college in the United States.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Section 6. § 12114(d) of Chapter 12, Title 17, Guam Code Annotated, is
amended to read:
“(d) The Council may place an Academy Charter School on probation, rather than revoke its Charter, in order to allow for the implementation of a remedial plan approved by the Council. If after no more than one hundred eighty (180) days, or such longer period as the Council may specify, said plan is unsuccessful in remedying the problem or alleviating the causes of the probation, the Council shall revoke the Charter.”

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

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

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

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

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