I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2020 (SECOND) Regular Session

LEGISLATIVE SESSION VOTING RECORD

Bill No. 330-35 (COR)	Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco Legislative Session Hall					
As substituted; and further substituted on the					Guam Co	ongress Building
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Senator William M. CASTRO	√					
Senator Régine Biscoe LEE	J					
Senator Kelly G. MARSH (TAITANO), PhD	J					
Senator James C. MOYLAN	J					
Senator Louise B. MUÑA	J					
Speaker Tina Rose MUÑA BARNES	J					
Vice Speaker Telena Cruz NELSON						J
Senator Sabina Flores PEREZ	J					
Senator Clynton E. RIDGELL	J					
Senator Joe S. SAN AGUSTIN	J					
Senator Amanda L. SHELTON	J					
Senator Telo T. TAITAGUE	J					
Senator Jose "Pedo" TERLAJE						,
Senator Therese M. TERLAJE						
Senator Mary Camacho TORRES	J					
TOTAL:	14					1
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Introduced by:

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Kelly Marsh (Taitano), PhD Joe S. San Agustin

AN ACT TO PERMIT ABSENTEE VOTING FOR ALL QUALIFIED VOTERS IN THE 2020 PRIMARY ELECTION AND 2020 GENERAL ELECTION TO MITIGATE THE PUBLIC HEALTH RISKS DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds 2 3 that a public health crisis exists due to the ongoing novel coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic. The pandemic, however, impacts our community in other 4 5 ways as well, such as voting in the upcoming 2020 Guam elections. For some voters, 6 it is the difficulty of ensuring childcare on the same day that caregivers will also 7 need to vote. For other voters, it is worrying about the security of their jobs if they 8 request to take time off from work to vote on the same day that their colleagues will be requesting time off to do the same. For some voters, it is being more vulnerable 9 10 physically, therefore they may not be able to stand or wait in long lines at polling 11 sites, which may put them at greater risk. And, for other voters, it is the worry and

the stress of being potentially exposed to conditions that could allow the spread of COVID-19.

I Liheslatura also finds that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is encouraging voters to use voting methods that minimize direct contact with other people as there is currently no vaccine to stop the spread of the virus. Even with evolving protocols designed to reduce the risk of transmission, large gatherings of people standing in even longer lines with lengthy waiting periods due to additional protocols at polling sites on a single day still pose a threat to public health.

It is, therefore, the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to protect the right to vote while also protecting the health and well-being of Guam voters, election officials, and polling site workers by permitting voters to vote in the 2020 Primary Election and 2020 General Election during the thirty (30) day in-office absentee voting period to reduce the likelihood of spreading COVID-19.

- Section 2. Permitting Absentee Voting for All Qualified Voters.

 Notwithstanding 3 GCA § 10101, any qualified voter of Guam may vote in the 2020

 Primary Election and 2020 General Election during the thirty (30) day in-office absentee voting period as provided for in 3 GCA § 10107.
- **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.