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BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES	NOTES
136-36 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje	AN ACT TO AMEND §7120 OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 7, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE PRESERVATION AND DISPOSITION OF COURT RECORDS.	5/6/21 4:33 p.m.	5/12/21	Committee on Health, Land, Justice, and Culture			Request: 5/12/21 5/17/21	



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MEMO

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes**
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Re: **Fiscal Notes**

Buenas yan Håfa adai.

Attached, please find the fiscal notes for the following bills:

Bill No. 129-36 (LS)
Bill No. 133-36 (COR)
Bill No. 136-36 (COR)

Please forward the same to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mary Maravilla, Committee on Rules Director at 472-2461.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.



**Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Fiscal Note of Bill No. 136-36 (COR)**

AN ACT TO AMEND §7120 OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 7, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE PRESERVATION AND DISPOSITION OF COURT RECORDS.

Department/Agency Appropriation Information

Dept./Agency Affected: Unified Judiciary of Guam	Dept./Agency Head: Kristina L. Baird, Administrator of the Courts
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	\$29,444,760
Department's Other Fund appropriation(s) to date: Safe Streets Fund (\$100,837)	<u>\$100,837</u>
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	\$29,545,597

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation

	General Fund:	Special Fund:	Total:
FY 2020 Unreserved Fund Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2021 Adopted Revenues	\$0	0	0
FY 2021 Appro. (P.L. 35-99)	\$0	0	0
Sub-total:	\$0	0	0
Less appropriation in Bill	\$0	0	0
Total:	\$0	0	0

Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill

	One Full Fiscal Year	For Remainder of FY 2021 (if applicable)	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
General Fund	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	1/	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

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| 1. Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions?
If Yes, see attachment | | / / Yes | / X / No |
| 2. Is amount appropriated adequate to fund the intent of the appropriation?
If no, what is the additional amount required? \$ _____ | /X/ N/A | / / Yes | / / No |
| 3. Does the Bill establish a new program/agency?
If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies?
Is there a federal mandate to establish the program/agency? | /X/ N/A | / / Yes
/ / Yes
/ / Yes | / X / No
/ / No
/ X / No |
| 4. Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities? | | / / Yes | / X / No |
| 5. Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept/agency? If no, indicate reason:
/ / Requested agency comments not received by due date: _____ / / Other: _____ | | /X/ Yes | / / No |

Analyst: <u>Raymond Rieta, BMA II</u>	Date: <u>5/14/2021</u>	Director: <u>Lester L. Carlson, Jr., Director</u>	Date: <u>MAY 17 2021</u>
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Notes:
1/: See Additional Comments.

Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Comments on Bill No. 136-36 (COR)

The intent of Bill No. 136-36 is to amend the current laws relative to the appropriate disposition and preservation of court records governed by court rules and policies promulgated by the Supreme Court of Guam.

The Bill amends part (a) of §7120, Chapter 7, Title 7, Guam Code Annotated (GCA) by replacing the "computerized" form with the "digitized" form of any record (paper or document in the care of the Superior Court and of the Supreme Court) as an accurate reproduction of the original document in all material details. The legislation further amends part (d) by replacing the Judicial Council with the Supreme Court of Guam to promulgate rules to effectuate this section relative to the copying and disposition of court records. In addition, the Bill deletes part (e) in its entirety, effectively removing the requirement of maintaining a parallel microfilm or photographic storage of computerized records and papers not originally kept in computerized form.

Based on comments received from the Judiciary of Guam, Bill No. 136-36 will provide a cost saving measure for the Judiciary. This may be in part due to the proposed removal of maintaining microfilm or photographic storage of computerized records. However, absent additional information specific to the potential cost saving measures as commented by the Judiciary, the Bureau is unable to determine an approximate fiscal impact at this time.