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BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. A new § 90.16.2. is *added* to Article 1, Chapter 90, Title 9, Guam Code Annotated to read as follows:

“§ 90.16.2. Reporting Corrections Officer Violations.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any person may file a written complaint with any corrections officer or the Guam Department of Corrections or the Guam Police Department alleging the commission of a crime or misconduct on the part of a corrections officer or employee of the Department. A corrections officer shall, upon receipt of any credible information alleging the commission of a crime by any corrections officer or Department employee, forward within forty-eight (48) hours the information so received to the Director of Corrections. The Director of Corrections shall forward the alleged violations to the Internal Affairs unit of the Department and to the Commission, and shall further forward a copy of the alleged violations to the Attorney General.

1 (b) The Director of Corrections shall, within thirty (30) working
2 days of receipt of the information described in Subsection (a) of this
3 Section, prepare a statement open to the public indicating the
4 preliminary disposition of the allegation. The Director of Corrections
5 shall prepare a summary of all allegations filed and their final
6 disposition in the Department’s annual report.

7 (c) Upon receipt of the report the Attorney General shall review
8 all records and other information submitted and may initiate an
9 independent investigation of the alleged violation.

10 (d) Any corrections officer or Department employee who fails to
11 forward the information or fails to make reports required by this Section
12 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not
13 more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or by imprisonment for
14 not more than one (1) year, or both.”