

I Mina'trentai Siette Na Lihelaturan Guåhan
BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	FISCAL NOTES	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
142-37 (COR)	William A. Parkinson	AN ACT TO AMEND § 8502(c)(2)(B) OF ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 8, TITLE 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO NET METERING.	6/22/23 11:18 a.m.	6/23/23	Committee on Fire, Agriculture, Power and Energy Utilities, Public Transit, Unemployment Insurance and Universal Health Insurance	Request: 6/23/23 7/3/23			



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Senator Chris Barnett, Chairperson
I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guahan
37th Guam Legislature

July 3, 2023

To: **Joaquin P. Taitague**
Substitute Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Senator Chris Barnett** 
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: **Fiscal Note for Bill No. 142-37 (COR)**

Håfa Adai yan Biba Guahan!

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

Bill No. 142-37 (COR).

I also request that the same be sent to the respective Chairperson of the Standing Committee, to which this bill has been referred. Kindly forward the same to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.



**Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Fiscal Note of Bill No. 142-37 (COR)**

AN ACT TO AMEND § 8502(c)(2)(B) OF ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 8, TITLE 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO NET METERING.

Department/Agency Appropriation Information

Dept./Agency Affected: Guam Power Authority (GPA)	Dept./Agency Head: John M. Benavente, P.E., General Manager
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	\$0
Department's Other Fund appropriation(s) to date:	\$0
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	\$0

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation

	General Fund:	(Specify Special Fund):	Total:
FY 2022 Unreserved Fund Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2023 Adopted Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY2023 Appro. (P.L. 36-107 / 119 / 123 / 124)	\$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 2023 (if applicable)	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
General Fund	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Fund	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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

Analyst: Arthur R. Mariano, B&MA Supervisor Date: 6/20/23 Director: Lester L. Carlson, Jr. Date: JUL 03 2023

Notes:
1/ As cited by the sponsor, the intent of the subject legislation is to promote the use of renewable energy sources and permit businesses to maximize the use of solar energy technology in a manner that provides environmental and economic benefits. The Bill amends Section 8502(c)(2)(b) of Article 5, Chapter 8, Title 12, Guam Code Annotated by increasing the rated capacity of renewable energy generation for non-residential class customers of the GPA from one hundred (100) to five hundred (500) kilowatts. Per the GPA, should the legislation be enacted, the Authority projects the current annual subsidy born by non-NEM (Net Metering) customers to increase to approximately \$18.27 million. This does not include potential costs for mitigation projects to address the proposed 400% increase in energy generation. It should be noted that costs resulting from the adoption of the proposed legislation will not have an impact on appropriations to the Government of Guam but may potentially impact costs to GPA ratepayers. Lastly, it should be noted that there are a couple of technical errors in the language of the Bill including the incorrect reference to P.L. 27-123 versus P.L. 27-132 and the reference to both Title 12 GCA and Title 7 GCA in Section 2 of the Bill.