

*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                       |
|---------------------|-----------------|---|-----------------------|---------------|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>210-37 (COR)</b> | Frank Blas, Jr. | AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §65121 TO CHAPTER 65, DIVISION 3 TITLE 10 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO CODIFYING THE GUAM COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN (GCEMP) AND REQUIRING AN ANNUAL REVIEW AND EXERCISE OF THE PLAN. | 12/5/23<br>11:55 a.m. | 12/11/23      | Committee on Emergency Response, Military and Veteran Affairs, Border Safety and Mayors Council | Request: 12/11/23<br><br>12/26/23 |                     |                             | Referred Version<br>12/7/23 |



## COMMITTEE ON RULES

Senator Chris Barnett, Chairperson  
*I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*  
37<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature

December 26, 2023

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

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

**Subject:** **Fiscal Note for Bill No. 210-37 (COR)**

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*Håfa Adai yan Biba Guåhan!*

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

**Bill No. 210-37 (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. 210-37 (COR)**

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| Department/Agency Appropriation Information  |   |
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| Dept./Agency Affected: Government of Guam Wide   | Dept./Agency Head: Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, Governor of Guam |
| Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:                                     | \$812,294,755   |
| Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date: All Special Funds per P.L. 37-42 | \$211,473,565   |
| <b>Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:</b>                                     | <b>\$1,023,768,320</b>  |

| Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation |               |                         |            |
|---|---------------|-------------------------|------------|
|   | General Fund: | (Specify Special Fund): | Total:     |
| FY 2023 Unreserved Fund Balance                   |               | \$0                     | \$0        |
| FY 2024 Adopted Revenues                          | \$0           | \$0                     | \$0        |
| FY 2024 Appro. (P.L. 37-42)                       | \$0           | \$0                     | \$0        |
| Sub-total:  | \$0           | \$0                     | \$0        |
| Less appropriation in Bill                        | \$0           | \$0                     | \$0        |
| <b>Total:</b>                                     | <b>\$0</b>    | <b>\$0</b>              | <b>\$0</b> |

| Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill |                      |  |            |            |            |            |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|
|                                 | One Full Fiscal Year | For Remainder of FY 2024 (if applicable) | FY 2025    | FY 2026    | FY 2027    | FY 2028    |
| General Fund 1/                 | \$0                  | \$0                                      | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        |
| Special Fund 1/                 | \$0                  | \$0                                      | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        | \$0        |
| <b>Total 1/</b>                 | <b>\$0</b>           | <b>\$0</b>                               | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> |

- 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:

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| Analyst: <u>Joaquin A.J. Guerrero II</u> Date: <u>12/19/23</u> | Director: <u>Lester V. Carlson, Jr.</u> Date: <u>DEC 22 2023</u> |
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Notes:  
1/ See attached comments.

Bureau of Budget and Management Research  
Comments on Bill No. 210-37 (COR)

The proposed legislation intends to add a new § 65121 to Chapter 65, Division 3, Title 10 of the Guam Code Annotated, to codify the Guam Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (GCEMP) and require an annual review and exercise of the plan.

Per comments provided by the Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense (GHS/OCD), as the bill proposes to mandate an annual review and exercise of the GCEMP, it would require an additional \$146,535 per annum in GHS/OCD personnel costs alone. This includes salaries and fringe benefits for the recruitment of at least a Planner IV (\$90,275) and Supply Supervisor (\$54,260). These personnel will be responsible for analyzing, researching, coordinating, and compiling data to update the plan and acquiring, storing, and maintaining emergency supplies and equipment. Other costs include venue rental to conduct an annual exercise of the plan, that may range from \$0 to \$5,000. The type of exercise the GHS/OCD conducts, based on the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program, i.e., workshop, tabletop, and full-scale exercise, will determine the number of participants and size of the venue required. A recommended solution would be a local appropriation to ensure the implementation of the bill, if passed, as the GHS/OCD is one hundred percent (100%) federally funded and cannot rely on their current funding sources. Additionally, they are not required to do an annual review and exercise specific to the GCEMP and will require grantor approval to utilize funds towards meeting the requirements listed in the bill.

Further, the Bureau notes that the implementation of the bill will similarly include increased personnel and supply costs across different Government of Guam departments/agencies in order for them to establish and/or annually update their Continuity of Operations Plan and Continuity of Command Plan in response to the GHS/OCD's annual update of the GCEMP.