

*I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*  
**BILL STATUS**

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	FISCAL NOTES	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
213-37 (COR)	Telo T. Taitague Joanne Brown Jesse A. Lujan William A. Parkinson Chris Barnett Sabina Flores Perez Frank Blas, Jr. Therese M. Terlaje	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW ITEM (1) TO PARAGRAPH (c) OF SECTION 1909 OF CHAPTER 19 OF TITLE 1 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE DUTIES OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR.	12/15/23 8:13 a.m.	12/15/23	Committee on Infrastructure, Economic Development, Simon Sanchez High School, Disability Services, Self-Determination and Historic Preservation, Housing, Public Accountability, and the Guam Buildup	Request: 12/15/23  12/21/23			



## COMMITTEE ON RULES

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

December 21, 2023

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

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

**Subject:** **Fiscal Note for Bill No. 213-37 (COR)**

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*Håfa Adai yan Biba Guåhan!*

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

**Bill No. 213-37 (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. 213-37 (COR)**

**AN ACT TO ADD NEW ITEM (1) TO PARAGRAPH (c) OF SECTION 1909 OF CHAPTER 19 OF TITLE 1 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE DUTIES OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR.**

Department/Agency Appropriation Information	
Dept./Agency Affected: Office of Public Accountability	Dept./Agency Head: Benjamin Cruz, Public Auditor
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	\$ 2,030,737.00
Department's Other Fund (Fund Source) appropriation(s) to date:	\$ -
<b>Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:</b>	<b>\$ 2,030,737.00</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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Guam Memorial Hospital Authority Hospital Operations Fund	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1/</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

- Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions? / X/ 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  
/ X/ Requested agency comments not received by due date      / / Other:

Analyst: <u>Katherine Parkinson-Borja</u>	Date: <u>12/20/23</u>	Director: <u>Lester L. Carlson, Jr.</u>	Date: <u>DEC 21 2023</u>
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**Notes:**  
The proposed legislation seeks to establish deadlines for submissions by every department or agency head, inclusive of autonomous agencies or head of program within the Government of Guam, relative to the submission of financial or program information under their control to the Office of Public Accountability (OPA). Failure to submit such information by the required deadline shall result in a two hundred fifty dollar (\$250) fine per missed deadline, which shall be deposited into the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority Hospital Operations Fund. Further, an additional two hundred fifty (\$250) fine shall be assessed for every thirty (30) days that the reporting requirements are not met. This Bill would have a positive fiscal impact, as fines collected from non-compliant agency and/or program heads would go towards the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority's operations. Additionally, this Bill, if passed, may prevent any delays in the submission of pertinent information the OPA deems necessary to carry out their duties, thus averting potential delays with the OPA's release of government related audits in a timely manner.