

I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

2023 (FIRST) Regular Session

VOTING RECORD

NAME	Aye	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent	Excused
Senator Chris Barnett	✓					
Senator Frank Blas, Jr.	✓					
Senator Joanne Brown	✓					
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas	✓					
Senator Thomas J. Fisher	✓					
Senator Jesse A. Lujan	✓					
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes	✓					
Senator William A. Parkinson	✓					
Senator Sabina Flores Perez	✓					
Senator Roy A. B. Quinata	✓					
Senator Joe S. San Agustin	✓					
Senator Dwayne T. D. San Nicolas	✓					
Senator Amanda L. Shelton	✓					
Senator Telo T. Taitague	✓					
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje	✓					

Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco Legislative Session Hall
Guam Congress Building
March 30, 2023

TOTAL

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Aye

Nay

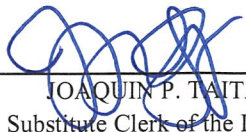
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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


JOAQUIN P. TAITAGUE
Substitute Clerk of the Legislature

I = Pass

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Bill No. 37-37 (COR)

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Introduced by:

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**AN ACT TO NAME PUBLIC LAW 36-130 THE
“SENATOR JOSE ‘PEDO’ TERLAJE RETIREMENT
ACT.”**

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Findings and Intent. *I Liheslatura* finds that Senator Jose
3 “Pedo” Terlaje first introduced Bill 380-35 (LS) on July 14, 2020 relative to
4 commissioning an actuarial study to determine the feasibility of allowing public
5 safety personnel to retire at an earlier age, owing to the physically and mentally
6 taxing nature of the work. This had been long sought after by many public safety
7 employees, who noted that most other jurisdictions in the United States offered a

1 separate, lower retirement age for public safety personnel compared other
2 government employees. This also contributed to the attrition rate of public safety
3 employees in the government of Guam, as they sought better pay and benefits in
4 Hawaii or the mainland.

5 While this did not pass in the 35th Guam Legislature, Senator Jose “Pedo”
6 Terlaje did not give up and introduced Bill 137-36 (COR) on May 6, 2021 for an
7 identical purpose. The bill was incorporated in Public Law 36-107, the Fiscal Year
8 2022 Budget Act, and made law. The actuarial study found a financially sound way
9 to accomplish an earlier retirement age for uniformed personnel of the Government
10 of Guam while also providing better retirement accruals for all Government of Guam
11 employees in the Defined Benefit 1.75 plan.

12 Senator Jose “Pedo” Terlaje introduced Bill 346-36 (COR) on October 21,
13 2022, the culmination of years of work in determining a financially feasible solution
14 to this long running problem of benefit parity for our public safety employees with
15 their off-island counterparts. The legislation was passed and signed in to law as
16 Public Law 36-130 on December 27, 2022, the last piece of legislation Senator
17 Terlaje authored. He passed away just one month later on January 30, 2023. *I*
18 *Liheslatura* finds that this important piece of legislation, which Senator Terlaje
19 fought so long and hard for, should appropriately be named after him.

20 **Section 2.** Public Law 36-130 shall be known as the “Senator Jose ‘Pedo’
21 Terlaje Retirement Act”.

22 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.