Bill No. 229-32(COR)

Introduced by: Michael F.Q. San Nicolas

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT THE OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY ESTABLISH A WEB-BASED MEETING PROTOCOL TO ALLOW AGENCIES TO HOLD NON-PUBLIC MEETINGS REMOTELY BY *ADDING* A *NEW* SUBSECTION (k) TO §20204.1 OF ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 20, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.

1   **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

2   **Section 1. Short Title.** This Act *shall* be referred to as the "Responsible

3   Web-Based Meetings Act".

4   **Section 2. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds

5   that each agency of the government of Guam holds meetings for management and

6   staff. Many agencies are not located within a single building, so when such

7   meetings are organized, all participating employees must go to a single location.

8   Many private organizations regularly utilize online meeting platforms to allow for

9   the participation in meetings at remote locations. The use of web-based meeting

10   platforms for intra-agency and inter-agency meetings can significantly reduce the

11   amount of productive hours lost for employees in transit from their jobsite to the

12   location of meetings.

13   It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to require the Chief

14   Technology Officer to adopt a web-based meeting protocol for use by agencies of

15   the government of Guam for the secure web-based meetings, by adding a new

1 subsection (k) to §20204.1 of Article 2, Chapter 20, Title 5, Guam Code
2 Annotated.

3 **Section 3. Secure Web-Based Meeting Protocol Required.** A *new*
4 subsection (k) to §20204.1 of Article 2, Chapter 20, Title 5, Guam Code
5 Annotated, is hereby *added*, to read:

6 "(k) The Chief Technology Officer *shall* adopt standard protocols for use by
7 agencies of the government of Guam to establish secure web-based platforms for
8 non-public meetings of government of Guam employees within ninety (90) days
9 from the enactment of this Act. The Chief Technology Officer shall determine the
10 cost of implementation of secure web-based platforms for non-public meetings on
11 a per agency basis and report such findings to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to further
12 determine financial feasibility of implementation."