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AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 9902(b),  
9902(d), AND 9902(g) OF TITLE 10 GUAM  
CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO PROMPT  
PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH  
CARE AND HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS.

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. § 9902(b) of Article 9 of Title 10 Guam Code Annotated,  
3 "Prompt Payment for Health Care and Health Insurance Benefits," is  
4 amended to read:

5 "(b) Health Plan Administrators shall reimburse a Clean Claim,  
6 or any portion thereof, submitted by a patient or Health Care  
7 Provider, that is eligible for payment and not contested or denied not  
8 more than [~~forty-five (45)~~] twenty-one (21) calendar days after  
9 receiving the Clean Claim filed in writing."

10 Section 2. § 9902(d) of Article 9 of Title 10 Guam Code Annotated,

1 **“Prompt Payment for Health Care and Health Insurance Benefits,” is**  
2 **amended to read:**

3 “(d) If information received pursuant to a request for additional  
4 information is satisfactory to warrant paying the Clean Claim, the  
5 Clean Claim shall be paid not more than [~~(45)~~] twenty-one (21)  
6 calendar days after receiving the additional information in writing. “

7 **Section 3. § 9902(g) of Article 9 of Title 10 of the Guam Code**  
8 **Annotated, “Prompt Payment for Health Care and Health Insurance**  
9 **Benefits,” is amended to read:**

10 “(g) Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary, interest  
11 shall be allowed to accrue at a rate of [~~(12%)~~] sixteen percent (16%)  
12 per annum as damages for money owed by a Health Plan  
13 Administrator for payment of a Clean Claim, or portion thereof, that  
14 exceeds the applicable reimbursement time limitations under this  
15 Section, including applicable costs for collecting past due payments  
16 as provided in § 9905 of this Article, as follows:

17 (1) for an uncontested Clean Claim:

18 (i) filed in writing, interest from the first calendar  
19 day after the ~~forty-five (45)~~ twenty-one (21) day period in

1 § 9902(b); or

2 (2) for a contested claim, or portion thereof, filed in  
3 writing:

4 (i) for which notice was provided under § 9902(c),  
5 interest from the first calendar day ~~forty-five (45)~~ twenty-  
6 one (21) days after the date the additional information is  
7 received; or

8 (ii) for which notice was provided, but not within  
9 the time specified under § 9902(c), interest from the first  
10 calendar day after the claim is received.”

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