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

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds
3 that the Government of Guam's information technology system for handling
4 finances, taxation, and payments are significantly outdated. The Department of
5 Revenue and Taxation's financial management system and the Department of
6 Administration's transaction processing system are both inefficient, costly, and
7 lacking core necessary features, including industry-common time-saving
8 automations and the ability to interconnect systems. Consequently, taxpayer value
9 is lost; greater manpower and cost is expended to manage our government's outdated
10 systems, and significant economic opportunities are lost due to slow payments and
11 processing.

1 With this legislation, *I Liheslatura* aims to modernize such systems by
2 enabling the Guam Economic Development Authority (GEDA) to contract an
3 experienced consulting service provider to serve as a Program Management Office
4 tasked with upgrading the Government of Guam’s financial management system and
5 transaction processing system. The Guam Department of Revenue and Taxation and
6 the Guam Department of Administration shall participate throughout the
7 modernization effort and must approve of the PMO prior to contracting. The Guam
8 Office of Information Technology, the Port Authority of Guam, the Guam
9 International Airport Authority, and the Guam Department of Customs and
10 Quarantine shall also provide guidance, to ensure that new software systems will be
11 able to interface with software systems used to track procurement, imports and
12 exports.

13 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* therefore intends to enable GEDA, through a PMO, to
14 procure new financial management system and transaction processing system to
15 reduce taxpayer costs and boost local economic development.

16 **Section 2.** The Guam Economic Development Authority (GEDA), with the
17 assistance of the Guam Department of Revenue and Taxation (DRT), the Guam
18 Department of Administration (DOA), and the Guam Office of Technology, shall
19 procure a new financial management system and transaction processing system for
20 use by the Government of Guam. To complete this mandate, GEDA may secure the
21 services of a third-party consultant, through competitive bid, to serve as a Program
22 Management Office (PMO) tasked with any of the following services that GEDA
23 deems needed: research current and future government needs, provide guidance and
24 recommendations based on industry best practices, develop procurement documents,
25 evaluate bids, award contracts, manage contracts, and any other services deemed
26 reasonable and appropriate by GEDA for the modernization of the Government of
27 Guam’s financial management system and transaction processing system.

1 Prior to being contracted, such consulting service provider shall demonstrate
2 experience and competency with facilitating upgrades to similarly complex, large-
3 scale financial and transaction management systems. Once contracted to serve as
4 PMO, said consulting service provider shall not bid on, or financially profit from,
5 any competitive procurements conducted under the oversight of the PMO as part of
6 the software modernization efforts outlined by this Act.

7 Guam DRT and Guam DOA shall provide assistance and input throughout the
8 process of modernization envisioned by this Act, and both the Director of DRT and
9 the Director of DOA shall approve of the procurement of a PMO before GEDA may
10 contract a consulting service provider to serve in such role.

11 The Port Authority of Guam, the Guam International Airport Authority, the
12 Guam General Services Agency, the Guam Office of Technology, the Guam
13 Department of Customs and Quarantine, the Guam Department of Land
14 Management, and any other relevant government entities shall provide input and
15 guidance to GEDA and its PMO, to ensure that the new financial management
16 system and transaction processing system will be able to interface as needed with
17 future software systems used to track procurement, imports and exports to Guam, or
18 other relevant databases and electronic processes.

19 GEDA shall transmit quarterly reports to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and *I*
20 *Maga'hagan Guahan* on the status of the PMO and all software modernization
21 efforts, to include expenditure reports and summaries of all contracts. All applicable
22 Guam laws and rules and regulations, including but not limited to the Open
23 Government Law, shall continue to apply.

24 **Section 3. Appropriation to the Guam Economic Development**
25 **Authority.** Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) is hereby
26 appropriated from the Fiscal Year 2019 Unappropriated General Fund balance to the
27 Guam Economic Development Authority for the purposes of contracting a Program

1 Management Office to assist in the procurement of a new financial management
2 system and transaction processing system completing for use by the Government of
3 Guam. The appropriation in this Section shall not lapse and shall continue until fully
4 expended. Said appropriation shall not preclude GEDA or the Government of Guam
5 from receiving federal aid or grants to pursue the aims of this Act.

6 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Act shall become effective upon enactment.

7 **Section 5. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any
8 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such invalidity *shall*
9 *not* affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without
10 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are
11 severable.