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#### I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES	NOTES
141-35 (COR) As amended by the Committee on Health, Historic Preservation, Land and Justice; and further amended on the Floor.	Jose "Pedo" Terlaje	AN ACT TO AMEND § 61545 OF SUBARTICLE 5, ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 61, DIVISION 2, TITLE 21, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO VIOLATIONS INVOLVING OF SIGN REGULATIONS.	5/23/19 4:50 p.m.	7/17/19	Committee on Health, Tourism, Historic Preservation, Land, and Justice	12/12/19 8:00 a.m.	1/21/20 2:36 p.m. As amended by the Committee on Health, Tourism, Historic Preservation, Land, and Justice	Request: 7/18/19 8/28/19	
	SESSION DATE	TITLE	DATE PASSED	TRANSMITTED	DUE DATE	NOTES			
	1/27/20	AN ACT TO AMEND § 61545 OF SUBARTICLE 5, ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 61, DIVISION 2, TITLE 21, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO VIOLATIONS OF SIGN REGULATIONS.	2/4/20	2/4/20	2/15/20				

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### I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN Thirty-Fifth Guam Legislature

February 4, 2020

The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero I Maga'hågan Guåhan Ufisinan I Maga'håga Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear Maga'håga Leon Guerrero:

Transmitted herewith are Bill Nos. 41-35 (COR), 102-35 (LS), 141-35 (COR), 177-35 (COR), 182-35 (COR), 183-35 (COR), 201-35 (COR), 204-35 (COR), 210-35 (COR), and 231-35 (COR); and Substitute Bill Nos. 173-35 (COR) and 200-35 (COR), which were passed by *I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on February 4, 2020.

Sincerely,

AMANDA L. SHELTON

Legislative Secretary

Enclosure (12)

# I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2020 (SECOND) Regular Session

# CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'HÂGAN GUÂHAN

This is to certify that Bill No. 141-35 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND § 61545 OF SUBARTICLE 5, ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 61, DIVISION 2, TITLE 21, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO VIOLATIONS OF SIGN REGULATIONS," was on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020, duly and regularly passed.

# I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2019 (FIRST) Regular Session

#### Bill No. 141-35 (COR)

As amended by the Committee on Health, Historic Preservation, Land and Justice; and further amended on the Floor.

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AN ACT TO AMEND § 61545 OF SUBARTICLE 5, ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 61, DIVISION 2, TITLE 21, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO VIOLATIONS OF SIGN REGULATIONS.

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

- 2 Section 1. § 61545 of Subarticle 5, Article 5, Chapter 61, Division 2, Title
- 3 21, Guam Code Annotated, is amended to read:
- 4 "§ 61545. Penalty.

(a) Any person or business who violates any provision of § 61541 or § 61544 of this Chapter shall pay a civil penalty not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) for each violation occurring in Residential and Agricultural zones; and a civil penalty of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) for each violation occurring in Commercial and Industrial zones. If a violation is not rectified within ten (10) business days of receipt of a Notice of Violation from the Department of Public Works, any person or business in violation of §§ 61541 or 61544 of this Chapter shall be subject to a late action civil penalty not to exceed Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) per day for each remaining violation. Failure to pay penalties and to rectify the violations may result in the termination or non-renewal of the sign permit. Multiple successive violations may be reported by the Department of Public Works to the Department of Revenue and Taxation to rescind or suspend the Department of Public Work's clearance for the sign-owner's business license. The Director of Public Works shall have the authority to waive parts or all of the late action penalty should the violator demonstrate a good faith effort to address the violation in a timely manner; provided, that such waiver is limited to no more than thirty (30) calendar days. Actions to recover the penalty provided for in this Section shall be brought by the Attorney General of Guam and may be at the request of any person in Guam. All penalties recovered in any such action shall be paid into the Public Signage Enforcement Fund.

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(b) There is created the "Public Signage Enforcement Fund" (Fund). The Fund *shall not* be commingled with any other fund of the government of Guam or instrumentality of the government of Guam. Expenditures from the Fund are subject to appropriation by *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* and *shall* be used solely for the enforcement of this Subarticle.

(c) The Building Official *shall* implement a penalty schedule on a scale commensurate with the seriousness of the sign violation. Such penalty schedule *shall* be subject to the Administrative Adjudication Law (5 GCA Chapter 9).

(d) Any person or business, within ten (10) working days of receipt of a Notice of Violation, may file an appeal of the finding(s) of a violation. The Guam Land Use Commission shall hear and decide appeals relative to any penalty imposed pursuant to this Section. The payment of any penalty shall be stayed during appeals. The Guam Land Use Commission shall promulgate rules and regulations, in compliance with the Administrative Adjudication Law (5 GCA Chapter 9), to implement the appeals process relative to this Section within ninety (90) days of the enactment of this Act."

**Section 2. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such invalidity *shall not* affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.