

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AMEND §1900, CHAPTER 19, TITLE 1
GUAM CODE ANNOTATED TO RENAME THE OFFICE
OF THE PUBLIC AUDITOR TO THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC
ACCOUNTABILITY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF

GUAM:

1 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds
2 that the current title of the Office of the Public Auditor appears to imply an
3 office of an individual rather than the function of the office.

4 Oftentimes, the findings of an audit may be attributed to the elected
5 individual as oppose to an actual finding of the audit or investigation,
6 especially if the audit findings reflect questionable accountability issues.

7 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to make the title of the
8 office reflective of its mission and purpose by amending Title 1 GCA, Chapter

1 19, §1900.

2 **Section 2. §1900, Chapter 19, Title 1 Guam Code Annotated is amended**
3 **to read as follows:**

4 **“§ 1900. Office of Public Auditor.**

5 There is an instrumentality of the government of Guam, independent of
6 the executive, legislative and judicial branches, known as the *Office of the*
7 *Public Auditor Accountability.*”

8 **Section 3.** The Compiler of Laws shall have limited authority to make
9 changes throughout the Code to reflect this office name change, where
10 appropriate.