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## I MINA' TRE NTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2009 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 81(COR)

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AN ACT TO AMEND §2109 AND §2110 OF TITLE 2, AND §40103.1 AND §40107 OF TITLE 4, ALL OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE MAYORS' OFFICES OF GUAM.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

**Section 1.** §2109 of Chapter 2 of Title 4 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *amended* to read:

"§21 09. Prohibition Against Hiring New, Unclassified Employees Following the Defeat of an Incumbent in an Election.

No new unclassified employees may be hired in the Executive Branch of government following the defeat of a sitting Maga'lahen Guåhan in a primary election or general election until after such date that such Maga'la hen Guåhan leaves office. No new, unclassified employees may be hired in any Legislative Office of a sitting Senator following the defeat of such Senator in a primary or general election. No new, unclassified employees may be hired in any Mayoral Office of a sitting Mayor following the defeat of such Mayor in a primary or general election. No new contract workers or unclassified employees may be hired in the Department of Law following the defeat of a sitting

Attorney General in a primary or general election until said Attorney General leaves office. No new unclassified employees may be hired in the Office of the Public Auditor following the defeat of said Public Auditor in a primary or general election until said Public Auditor leaves office. Following the defeat of a sitting Attorney General in a primary or general election, no contract workers or unclassified employees employed in the Office of the Attorney General may receive a pay increase until said Attorney General leaves office. Following the defeat of a sitting Public Auditor in a primary or general election, no contract workers or unclassified employees employed in the Office of the Public Auditor may receive a pay increase until said Public Auditor leaves office."

**Section 2.** §2110 of Chapter 2 of Title 4 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *amended* to read:

## "§21 10. Prohibition Against Hiring Unclassified Employees Employed by Incumbents *Not* Seeking Re-election.

No new unclassified employees may be hired in the Executive Branch of government after October 1st of the last year of office of a sitting Maga'lah en Guåhan who is not seeking re-election until after such date that such Maga'lahen Guåhan leaves office. No new, unclassified employees may be hired in any Legislative Office of a sitting Senator, opting not to seek re-election, after October 1st of the last year in office of such Senator. No new, unclassified employees may be hired in any Mayoral Office of a sitting Mayor, opting not to seek re-election, after

October 1st of the last year in office of such Mayor. No contract workers or unclassified employees employed in the Department of Law or the Office of the Public Auditor may be hired following the defeat of Attorney General or Public Auditor, respectively, in a primary or general election until that Attorney General or Public Auditor leaves office."

**Section 3.** §40103.1 of Chapter 40 of Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *amended* to read:

## "§ 4 0103.1. Transition for Mayor and Vice Mayor.

After the Certification of Election of newly elected Mayors, and Vice Mayors as applicable, there *shall* exist a transition period ending on the day of the oath of office of the newly elected Mayors and Vice Mayors. During this transition period, the incumbent Mayor, and incumbent Vice Mayor as applicable, *shall* provide assistance to the Mayor-elect and Vice Mayor-elect to acquaint the latter with the operations and functions of the Offices, including but not limited to pending invoices and purchase orders, office budget, financial reports, appropriations, expenditure reports, staffing pattern, financial obligations, and the inventory of equipment, furniture, and vehicles belonging to the Municipality of such Mayor. Such transition period *shall* be coordinated by the Executive Director of the Mayors' Council of Guam who *shall* also be responsible for the transitions of each Mayoral Office. Should an incumbent Mayor and an incumbent Vice Mayor not be successful in an election, all property, equipment, and

documents belonging to the Office *shall not* be removed by the exiting Mayor or Vice Mayor."

**Section 4.** Subsection (a) of §40107 of Chapter 40 of Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated is hereby *amended* to read:

## "§ 4 0107. Council Staffing.

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(a) Subject to budgetary limitations, the Council may hire personnel necessary to carry out the purposes of this Chapter. The staff shall include an Executive Director, who shall be the Executive Secretary of the Council, who shall be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the staff and shall also be the Certifying Officer for the Council and the nineteen (19) municipal funds. The Executive Director shall be responsible for the transitions of each Mayoral Office subject to §40103.1 of this Chapter. The Executive Director shall, during such transition, provide to all Mayors and Vice Mayors a compilation of laws applicable to such office detailing the duties, responsibilities, sources of funding, limitations, and powers of the Offices of the Mayor. The staff of the Council shall be paid such compensation as shall be determined by the Civil Service Commission within ninety (90) days of the enactment of this section; provided, however, that such compensation shall be comparable to equivalent position classifications within the government of Guam."