


MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Bill No. 146(COR)

Introduced by:

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROVIDING NECESSARY
FUNDING FOR THE BALANCE OF THE FISCAL
YEAR TO CRITICAL YOUTH SUPPORT
PROGRAMS; TO INCLUDE THE DMHSA YOUTH
DRUG AND ALCOHOL PROGRAMS, AND THE
PROGRAMS FOR YOUTHS WHO ARE RUNAWAYS,
HOMELESS OR VICTIMS OF ABUSE; THROUGH
AMENDING EXISTING PROVISIONS OF LAW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

1 **Section 1. Legislature Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*
2 finds that the funds appropriated in the fiscal year 2009 budget in support
3 of vital youth development and support programs dealing with drug and
4 alcohol abuse, runaways, homeless or victims of abuse, have been
5 identified by the respective service providers as being limited and
6 insufficient to continue the administration of existing support programs at
7 its present level without the need for additional financial support. *I*
8 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that these programs presently being
9 provided in support of our youths have proven to be extremely successful
10 and necessary in providing Guam's youths, who are being assisted through

1 these programs, with the direct and necessary support to become positive,
2 contributing members of our community.

3 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to provide, at a
4 minimum, the funding necessary to sustain existing operations and
5 support for these critical youth support programs for the balance of fiscal
6 year 2009. This provision would increase the initial appropriation figures,
7 and grant budgetary flexibility for the government of Guam to finance
8 these essential programs.

9 **Section 2. Sustainable Financial Support to Guam's Critical Youth**
10 **Development and Support Programs for Balance of Fiscal Year 2009.** The
11 following provisions contained in Public Law No. 29-113, Section 31 and
12 Section 37 are hereby *amended* to read as follows:

13 **"Section 31. DMHSA Youth Drug and Alcohol Program.** Of
14 the sum appropriated to the Department of Mental Health and
15 Substance Abuse from the General Fund for operations in 1(x) Part I
16 of Chapter V of this act, the amount of ~~(\$141,582)~~ **\$216,582** shall be
17 used to fund the Youth Drug and Alcohol Program. **I Maga'lahren**
18 **Guåhan may exercise his transfer authority as provided for in the**
19 **Fiscal Year 2009 Budget to implement the appropriations provided**
20 **herein."**

21 **"Section 37. Youth Program Appropriation.** The sum of ~~Three~~
22 ~~Hundred Seventy-one Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-seven Dollars~~
23 ~~(\$371,677)~~ **Five Hundred Seventy-one Thousand Six Hundred**

1 **Seventy-seven Dollars (\$571,677.00)** is appropriated from the
2 General Fund to the Department of Youth Affairs for Sanctuary, Inc.
3 in Fiscal Year 2009 to fund programs for youths who are runaways,
4 homeless *or* victims of abuse. **I Maga'lāhen Guāhan may exercise**
5 **his transfer authority as provided for in Fiscal Year 2009 Budget to**
6 **implement the appropriations provided herein."**

7 **Section 3.** The following provision contained in Public Law No. 29-
8 52, Section 9 is hereby *amended* to read as follows:

9 "Section 9. The Department of Youth Affairs (DYA) is
10 authorized to pay prior years' obligations, including obligations to
11 Sanctuary, Inc. **(One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars**
12 **\$130,000.00)**, from the appropriations made to DYA in Public Law 29-
13 19. **I Maga'lāhen Guāhan may exercise his transfer authority as**
14 **provided for in the Fiscal Year 2009 Budget to implement the**
15 **appropriations provided herein."**