




I MINA' TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
THIRTIETH GUAM LEGISLATURE
155 Hesler Street, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

November 09, 2009

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators

Via: Committee on Rules 

From: Patricia C. Santos 
Clerk of the Legislature

Subject: Ratification of Resolution No. 237-30 (LS)

Transmitted herewith is Resolution No. 237-30 (LS), "Relative to amending Rule XXIX, Code of Ethics and Standards for the Legislative Branch, Section 29.04.03, Powers, Subsection (ii), and forwarding this Rules Resolution to the full Legislature for ratification," which was adopted by the Committee on Rules and further ratified by *I Miña'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on November 5, 2009.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

I MINA' TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN

2010 (SECOND) Regular Session

Date: 11-5-09

VOTING SHEET

Bill No. _____

Resolution No. 237-30(LS)

Question: _____

<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>NOT VOTING/ ABSTAINED</u>	<u>OUT DURING ROLL CALL</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
ADA, Thomas C.	✓				
AGUON, Frank B., Jr.	✓				
BLAS, Frank F., Jr.	✓				
CALVO, Edward J.B.					EA ✓
CRUZ, Benjamin J. F.	✓				
ESPALDON, James V.	✓				
GUTHERTZ, Judith Paulette	✓				
MUNA-BARNES, Tina Rose	✓				
PALACIOS, Adolpho Borja, Sr.	✓				
PANGELINAN, vicente (ben) cabrera	✓				
RECTOR, Matthew					EA ✓
RESPICIO, Rory J.	✓				
TAITAGUE, Telo	✓				
TENORIO, Ray					EA ✓
WON PAT, Judith T.					EA ✓

TOTAL

11 _____ _____ _____ 4

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


Clerk of the Legislature

* 3 Passes = No vote
EA = Excused Absence



COMMITTEE ON RULES

I Mina'Trenta na Libeslaturan Guåhan • 30th Guam Legislature

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Consent Calendar
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Resolution No. 237-30 – (LS) – R. J. Respicio – “Relative to amending Rule XXIX, Code of Ethics and Standards for the Legislative Branch, Section 29.04.03, Powers, Subsection (ii), and forwarding this Rules Resolution to the full Legislature for ratification.”

	SIGNATURE	DATE	TO ADOPT	TO NOT ADOPT	ABSTAIN
SENATOR RORY J. RESPICIO Chairman	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/5/09	<i>[Signature]</i>		
SENATOR JUDITH P. GUTHERTZ Vice-Chairman	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/5/09	<i>[Signature]</i>		
SPEAKER JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed, D. Member	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/16/09	<i>[Signature]</i>		
VICE-SPEAKER BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ Member	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/5/09	<i>[Signature]</i>		
LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Member	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/5/09	<i>[Signature]</i>		
SENATOR THOMAS C. ADA Member	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/5/09	<i>[Signature]</i>		
SENATOR FRANK B. AGUON, JR. Member	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/5/09	✓		
SENATOR ADOLPHO B. PALACIOS Member	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/5/09	✓		
SENATOR VICENTE C. PANGELINAN Member	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/5/09	✓		
SENATOR MATT RECTOR Member	<i>[Signature]</i>				
SENATOR FRANK F. BLAS, JR. Minority Member	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/5/09	✓		
SENATOR JAMES V. ESPALDON Minority Member	<i>[Signature]</i>	11/5/09	✓		

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I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2009 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 237-30 (COR)

Introduced by:

COMMITTEE ON RULES

RELATIVE TO AMENDING RULE XXIX, CODE OF ETHICS AND STANDARDS FOR THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH, SECTION 29.04.03, POWERS, SUBSECTION (ii), AND FORWARDING THIS RULES RESOLUTION TO THE FULL LEGISLATURE FOR RATIFICATION.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I***
2 ***MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Subsection (ii), Section 29.04.03, Rule XXIX of *I*
4 *Liheslaturan Guåhan's* Standing Rules, the requirement for *I Liheslatura* to adopt a
5 recommendation of the Committee on Ethics and Standards is by unanimous vote,
6 excluding the subject Member, specifically:

7 “(ii) *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* may by a unanimous vote of the Membership, other
8 than the subject Member, if applicable, adopt the recommendation of the
9 Committee on Ethics and Standards or take any other disciplinary action(s) it
10 deems appropriate, including, but not limited to, reprimand, suspension or
11 discharge of employees, and in the case of members, disciplinary action,
12 including, but not limited to, censure, suspension or discharge;”
13 and

1 **WHEREAS**, prior to the 25th Legislature, *I Liheslatura*'s membership consisted
2 of twenty-one (21) members, and Standing Rules of Legislatures prior to the 25th did
3 not require more than fourteen (14) votes (2/3 of the body) to take any action; and

4 **WHEREAS**, when legislative membership was reduced to fifteen (15)
5 Members beginning with the 25th Legislature, this fourteen (14) vote requirement was
6 not concurrently reduced, and is currently contained in Subsection (ii), Section
7 29.04.03, Rule XXIX; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the Committee on Rules, through the passage of this Rules
9 Resolution, believes that the logic behind the fourteen (14) vote requirement for said
10 rule, specifically a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of 21 members, is correct and appropriate,
11 and desires to amend our standing rules to reflect this line of reasoning and adopt the
12 two-thirds (2/3) rule; now, therefore, be it

13 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules, on behalf of *I Mina' Trenta Na*
14 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby amend Subsection (ii), Section 29.04.03, Rule
15 XXIX of the *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*'s Standing Rules, as follows:

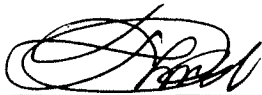
16 “(ii) *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* may by ten (10) votes, other than the subject
17 Member, if applicable, adopt the recommendation of the Committee on
18 Ethics and Standards or take any other disciplinary action(s) it deems
19 appropriate, including, but not limited to, reprimand, suspension or
20 discharge of employees, and in the case of Members, disciplinary action,
21 including, but not limited to, censure, suspension or discharge;”

22 and be it further


23 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules, on behalf of *I Mina' Trenta Na*
24 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* does recommend this change to be immediately ratified by the
25 Full Body of the Legislature, and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules
2 certify, and the Secretary of *I Liheslaturan* attest to the adoption hereof, and that
3 copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Full Body of *I Liheslaturan*
4 *Guåhan* for ratification; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen*
5 *Guåhan*.

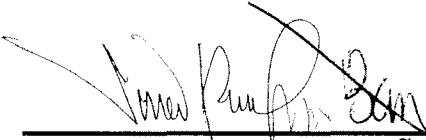
**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF
I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 5TH DAY OF
NOVEMBER 2009.**



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker




RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary

DULY AND REGULARLY RATIFIED BY *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THIS 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2009.



JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.
Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary