

I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guahan

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74-32 (LS)	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D., Tina Rose Muña Barnes	AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC- PRIVATE RENEWABLE ENERGY PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH A QUALIFIED PROVIDER, BY ADDING A NEW §7120 TO CHAPTER 7 OF DIVISION 2, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.	3/26/13 1:55pm	3/26/2013	Committee on General Governmental Operations and Cultural Affairs			



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MEMORANDUM

To: **Rennae Meno**
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From: **Senator Rory J. Respicio** 
Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 74-32(LS)**

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my re referral of Bill No. **74-32(LS)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!


Attachment

I MINA TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 7432 (LS)

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC-PRIVATE
RENEWABLE ENERGY PURCHASE AGREEMENT
WITH A QUALIFIED PROVIDER, BY ADDING A
NEW §7120 TO CHAPTER 7 OF DIVISION 2, TITLE 17,
GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.

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1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*
3 finds that the cost of electricity provided by the Guam Power Authority
4 (GPA) continues to rise as the price of oil, worldwide, correspondingly
5 increases. GPA is totally dependent on oil for the production of electricity
6 for consumers. Such dependence has resulted in rate increases in the form
7 of increased fuel surcharges.

8 *I Liheslatura* finds that although GPA is currently only able to
9 produce electricity using oil-powered generators, the agency entered into a
10 public-private renewable energy purchase agreement with a qualified

1 renewable energy provider. Local media report that the provider is
2 expected to develop solar/wind turbine technology renewable resource
3 with a capacity of 15 megawatts or approximately 10 wind turbines and 5
4 solar panels for a 20 and 25 year contract terms with a guaranteed energy
5 production and fixed price per contract year. The output of renewable
6 power onto GPA's power grid will serve nearly 2,200 homes.

7 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that a private school in Guam recently
8 entered into a 25-year agreement with a renewable energy provider. The
9 school expects to pay 23 cents per kilowatt-hour for the first year. GPA
10 currently charges 29 cents per kilowatt-hour for residential customers, 32
11 cents per kilowatt-hour for mid-size commercial customers, and 34 cents
12 per kilowatt-hour for large commercial customers. Approximately 50% of
13 the school's power needs, or 100 kilowatt-hours, will be generated by new
14 solar panels that were paid for, and installed by, a renewable energy
15 provider through a power purchase agreement.

16 *I Liheslatura* further finds that the Superintendent of Education has
17 publicly stated in recent media interviews that the Department of
18 Education (DOE) projects an approximately \$5 million shortfall in its FY
19 2013 budget due to rate increases for electricity. It is, therefore, the intent
20 of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to assist DOE in addressing the rising cost of
21 electricity. *I Liheslatura* intends for DOE, which is made up of 41 schools, to
22 enter into a public-private renewable energy purchase agreement with one

1 or more qualified renewable energy providers, by adding a new §7120 to
2 Chapter 7 of Division 2, Title 17, Guam Code Annotated.

3 **Section 2.** A new §7120 is hereby added to Chapter 7 of Division 2,
4 Title 17, Guam Code Annotated, to read:

5 **"§7120. Public-Private Renewable Energy Purchase Agreement(s)**
6 **Authorized.**

7 The Department of Education (Department) is hereby authorized to
8 solicit, from qualified renewable energy providers, proposals for the
9 installation and maintenance of renewable energy technology which shall
10 include, but not be limited to, solar power technology. The Department is
11 further authorized to enter into a renewable energy purchase agreement(s)
12 with a qualified renewable energy provider(s), in the event such
13 provider(s) is able to meet the department's energy requirements in
14 accordance with Guam's laws, rules and regulations, for a term of up to
15 twenty-five years. The renewable energy provider(s) selected shall be
16 responsible for all costs required to install and maintain such renewable
17 energy technology at DOE schools and facilities."