I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guahan Bill Log Sheet

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES
(COR)	B.J.F. Cruz, J.T. Won Pat, Ed.D., F.B. Aguon, Jr., R.J. Respicio	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 16 TO CHAPTER X OF PUBLIC LAW 31-233 (GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2013) MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE TOURIST ATTRACTION FUND (TAF) TO HURAO ACADEMY, INC. TO CONTINUE THEIR MISSION IN PROMOTING AND PERPETUATING THE CHAMORU LANGUAGE AND CULTURE.	1:55 p.m.	5/13/13	Committee on Municipal Affairs, Tourism, Housing, and Hagatna Restoration and Redevelopment Authority			

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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 Nos. 113-32 through 116-32(COR)

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of Bill Nos. 113-32 through 116-32(COR).

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

2013 MAY 13 PM 1:55

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

Bill No. 114-32 CCOR)

Introduced By:

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AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 16 TO CHAPTER X OF PUBLIC LAW 31-233 (GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2013) MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE TOURIST ATTRACTION FUND (TAF) TO HURAO ACADEMY, INC. TO **PROMOTING** AND MISSION IN THEIR CONTINUE LANGUAGE **AND** THE CHAMORU PERPETUATING CULTURE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds

that the Chamoru language and culture has been and is under immediate threat of

extinction, and that the only "proficient" speakers of the Chamoru language are

now 50 years and older. Furthermore, with the average life expectancy of Guam's

Chamoru people at 65-70 years, it is conceivable that the language will be extinct

7 by 2025.

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8 I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that the Huråo Academy, Inc.

established in 2005, is a non-profit organization that was created in an effort to

address the need for a "stable" and "successful" Chamoru language program on

11 Guam. Additionally, Hurao Academy, Inc. is the first "full-immersion" Chamoru

language program to meet the needs of a community struggling to preserve their

13 language.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that the Huråo Academy has grown its language immersion program serving over 4,000 students. Furthermore, the Huråo Academy also added parent, adult and corporate class programs serving over 2,000 students, parents, and adults in the community-at-large and have begun cultural apprenticeship classes in blacksmithing and weaving, providing translation services, ChagiChamoru, a television language program and a cultural preservation program.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that revenue estimates for the Tourist Attraction Fund (TAF) for Fiscal Year 2013 are tracking at Twenty-Five Million Five Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$25,596,688), of which Twenty-Three Million Eight Hundred Eighty-Eighty Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$23,888,200) is appropriated.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that the TAF revenues for Fiscal Year 2013 are projected to exceed appropriations by One Million Seven Hundred Eight Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$1,708,488), in addition to the Fiscal Year 2012 ending cumulative fund balance of Four Million Sixty-Five Thousand Fifteen Dollars (\$4,065,015), and is available for appropriation.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that the Huråo Academy, Inc. has been the only organization on Guam who has consistently provided Chamoru Language Immersion programs to the community since 2005, and in the effort to increase the number of native language speakers on Guam, it is the intent of I Liheslaturan Guåhan to support the Hurao Academy, Inc. to continue their mission to promote and perpetuate the Chamoru language and culture for the past, present, and future generations of children through the implementation of immersion community programs, the development of educational materials, and any other related areas that support this mission.

Section 2. A New Section 16 is hereby added to Chapter X (Guam Visitors Bureau) of Public Law 31-233 to read:

"Section 16. Appropriation to Hurao Academy, Inc. The sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) is hereby appropriated from the Tourist Attraction Fund (TAF) to Hurao Academy, Inc. for the purposes of continuing their mission to promote and perpetuate the Chamoru language and culture. Notwithstanding the general provisions of \$30107.1 of Chapter 30, Title 11 GCA, and this Act, this appropriation *shall* continue to be available until expended. The provisions contained in Section 14 (Service and Reporting Requirements) of Chapter X of Public Law 31-233 *shall* be applicable."

Section 3. Effective Date. The provisions contained herein shall take effect immediately upon the enactment of this Act.