

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	FISCAL NOTES	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES	
217-38 (COR) As amended by the Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure; and further amended on the Floor.	Tina Rose Muña Barnes Christopher M. Dueñas Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao Joe S. San Agustin Sabrina Salas Matanane Vincent A.V. Borja Jesse A. Lujan Therese M. Terlaje Chris Barnett Frank F. Blas, Jr.	AN ACT TO <i>ADD</i> A NEW ARTICLE §70124 TO CHAPTER 70 OF TITLE 21, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING LICENSED ELECTRICIANS TO CONDUCT WEATHERHEAD INSPECTIONS AND CERTIFICATION.	11/9/25 4:23 p.m. ^11/17/25 1:12 p.m.	11/18/25	Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure.	Request: 11/18/25 11/25/25	12/18/25 9:00 a.m.	1/9/26 As Amended.		
	SESSION DATE		TITLE	DATE PASSED	TRANSMITTED	DUE DATE	NOTES			
	1/26/26		AN ACT TO <i>ADD</i> A NEW § 70124 TO CHAPTER 70, TITLE 21, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING LICENSED ELECTRICIANS TO CONDUCT WEATHERHEAD INSPECTIONS AND CERTIFICATION.	1/29/26	1/29/26	2/10/26				



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I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
Thirty-Eighth Guam Legislature

January 29, 2026

The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan
Ufisinan I Maga'håga
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Dear *Maga'håga* Leon Guerrero:

Transmitted herewith are Bill Nos. 29-38 (COR), 79-38 (COR), 138-38 (COR), 150-38 (LS), 162-38 (COR), 169-38 (COR), 195-38 (COR), 202-38 (COR), 210-38 (COR), 215-38 (COR), 217-38 (COR), 240-38 (LS), 251-38 (COR), and Substitute Bill No. 235-38 (COR) which were passed by *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guahan* on January 29, 2026.

Sincerely,

Senator Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary

Enclosure (14)

Jessi Castro

7:04pm, 1.29.26



I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN

This is to certify that **Bill No. 217-38 (COR)**, "AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 70124 TO CHAPTER 70, TITLE 21, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING LICENSED ELECTRICIANS TO CONDUCT WEATHERHEAD INSPECTIONS AND CERTIFICATION," was on the 29th day of January 2026, duly and regularly passed.

Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker

Attested:

Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 29th day of Jan, 2026, at 7:04 o'clock P.M.

Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'håga's Office

APPROVED:

Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: _____

Public Law No. _____

I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2025 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 217-38 (COR)

As amended by the Committee on Land,
Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks,
and Infrastructure; and further amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 70124 TO CHAPTER 70,
TITLE 21, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO
AUTHORIZING LICENSED ELECTRICIANS TO
CONDUCT WEATHERHEAD INSPECTIONS AND
CERTIFICATION.**

1 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds
3 that the Guam Power Authority (GPA) currently restricts weatherhead inspections
4 and certifications to master electricians following typhoons, tropical storms, and
5 other severe weather events. While this policy was originally intended to ensure

1 electrical safety and code compliance, it has produced unintended consequences that
2 burden residents and hinder timely power restoration.

3 Following major storms, thousands of homes and businesses across the island
4 sustain damage to weatherheads, which are the connection point between the island’s
5 electrical grid and private property. Because GPA only recognizes inspections
6 conducted by master electricians, demand for their services quickly overwhelms the
7 limited number of master electricians available. As a result, families and businesses
8 often face higher costs and prolonged power outages at these very time when power
9 is most needed to quickly recover from typhoons and storms.

10 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that the practical difference between a
11 licensed electrician and a master electrician is minimal with respect to the type of
12 work required for weatherhead inspection and certification. Both categories of
13 professionals undergo rigorous training, testing, and licensure through the Guam
14 Contractors License Board, and are well-versed in the National Electrical Code and
15 safety standards governing electrical systems. The specialized tasks involved in
16 assessing and certifying weatherheads fall well within the competency and expertise
17 of any licensed electrician.

18 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to expand eligibility for
19 weatherhead inspection and certification to include all licensed electricians. This
20 policy change will strengthen Guam’s disaster recovery capacity by increasing the
21 number of qualified professionals available, reducing costs to consumers, and
22 expediting the safe restoration of power to residents and businesses following
23 typhoons and other natural disasters.

24 **Section 2.** A new § 70124 of Chapter 70, Title 21, Guam Code Annotated,
25 is *added* to read:

26 “§ 70124. **Electrical Inspections.**

1 Electrical inspections for the purpose of ensuring safety and code
2 compliance, including the inspection of weatherheads, shall be performed by
3 a qualified inspector employed or designated by the Department of Public
4 Works or by a licensed electrician holding a current and valid license issued
5 by the Guam Contractors License Board under applicable provisions of law,
6 rules and regulations. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prevent a
7 master electrician from continuing to perform such inspections, but such
8 inspections shall not be exclusively reserved to master electricians. All
9 electricians performing inspections must certify compliance with applicable
10 building codes and utility safety requirements.”