

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
17-38 (COR) As amended by the Committee on Finance and Government Operations; and further amended on the Floor.	Sabina Flores Perez Telo T. Taitague Therese M. Terlaje Chris Barnett	AN ACT TO <i>AMEND</i> § 1913 OF CHAPTER 19, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS BY AGENCIES.	1/13/25 10:33 a.m.	1/22/25	Committee on Finance and Government Operations.	Request 1/22/25 2/10/25	4/9/25 9:00 a.m.	6/26/25 As Amended.	
	SESSION DATE	TITLE	DATE PASSED	TRANSMITTED	DUE DATE	NOTES			
	7/28/25	AN ACT TO <i>AMEND</i> § 1913 OF CHAPTER 19, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS BY AGENCIES.	7/31/25	8/6/25	8/18/25				

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

August 5, 2025

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. 5-38 (COR), 16-38 (COR), 17-38 (COR), 24-38 (COR), 45-38 (COR), 56-38 (COR), 68-38 (COR), 76-38 (COR), 81-38 (COR), 84-38 (COR), 92-38 (COR), 97-38 (LS), 100-38 (COR), 103-38 (COR), 106-38 (COR), 110-38 (COR), 123-38 (COR), 124-38 (COR), 125-38 (COR), 139-38 (COR), 149-38 (LS), 153-38 (COR), 154-38 (COR), and 155-38 (COR), and Substitute Bill Nos. 30-38 (COR) and 48-38 (COR) which were passed by *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guahan* on July 31, 2025.

Sincerely,

Senator V. Anthony Ada
Acting Legislative Secretary

Enclosure (26)

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Date:	8/6/25 Time: 7:58 AM



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

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

This is to certify that **Bill No. 17-38 (COR)**, "AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 1913 OF CHAPTER 19, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS BY AGENCIES," was on the 31st day of July 2025, duly and regularly passed.



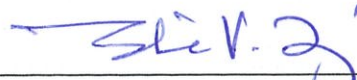
Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker

Attested:



V. Anthony Ada
Acting Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 6th day of August, 2025, at 7:58 o'clock A.M.



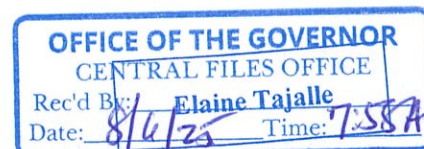
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Maga'håga's Office

APPROVED:

Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: _____

Public Law No. _____



I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Bill No. 17-38 (COR)

As amended by the Committee on Finance
and Government Operations; and further amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 1913 OF CHAPTER 19, TITLE 1,
GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO
PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF AUDIT
RECOMMENDATIONS BY AGENCIES.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the Public Auditor shall conduct annual audits and post-audits of all transactions and accounts among government of Guam departments, offices, corporations, authorities, and agencies in all of the branches. Audits performed by the Office of Public Accountability aim to evaluate, if an entity complies with current policy and procedures and its efficiency and effectiveness. Notably, OPA performance audits

1 serve to optimize operational performance and demonstrate good stewardship of
2 public funds.

3 *I Liheslatura* further finds that although the Public Auditor conducts regular
4 follow ups with agencies for corrective actions stemming from audits, he is unable
5 to hold agencies accountable to corrective action plans.

6 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to extend the enforcement
7 ability of the Office of Public Accountability by mandating departments, offices,
8 corporations, authorities, and agencies to fulfill their official duties.

9 **Section 2.** § 1913 of Title 1, Guam Code Annotated, is hereby *amended* to
10 read as follows:

11 **“§ 1913. Implementation of Recommendation.**

12 The Public Auditor may file in the Superior Court of Guam a petition
13 for a Writ of Mandate to force the implementation of the recommendations
14 and the attendant corrective action plan in the event *I Maga'håga/Maga'låhi*,
15 the Committee on Rules of *I Liheslatura*, or the Chief Justice of the Supreme
16 Court of Guam:

- 17 (a) fails to implement the required corrective action plan; or
18 (b) fails to provide a satisfactory explanation as to why such
19 recommendations have not been implemented to the Public Auditor; or
20 (c) the Public Auditor has not concurred with the non-
21 implementation on account of the provided explanation.”

22 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.

23 **Section 4. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any
24 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or inorganic, such invalidity shall not
25 affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without
26 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are
27 severable.