

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
55-38 (COR) As amended by the Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement; and further amended on the Floor.	Telo T. Taitague Chris Barnett Therese M. Terlaje Shelly V. Calvo	AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT § 17116 OF CHAPTER 17, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CLARIFYING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND ESTABLISHING A QUARTERLY REPORTING SYSTEM FOR GUAM ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCES.	2/10/25 9:21 a.m.	2/14/25 4:23 p.m.	Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement.	Request: 2/28/25 Waiver: 2/28/25	3/12/25 8:00 a.m.	4/11/25 As Amended.	
	SESSION DATE	TITLE	DATE PASSED	TRANSMITTED	DUE DATE	NOTES			
	5/27/25	AN ACT TO REPEAL AND REENACT § 17116 OF CHAPTER 17, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CLARIFYING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND ESTABLISHING A QUARTERLY REPORTING SYSTEM FOR GUAM ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCES.	6/3/25	6/5/25	6/17/25				

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

June 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. 6-38 (COR), 18-38 (COR), 20-38 (COR), 23-38 (COR), 27-38 (COR), 33-38 (COR), 50-38 (COR), 53-38 (COR), 54-38 (COR), 55-38 (COR), 59-38 (COR), 66-38 (COR), 67-38 (COR), 75-38 (COR), 78-38 (COR), 80-38 (COR), 83-38 (COR), 88-38 (COR), 89-38 (COR), 95-38 (COR), 109-38 (COR), 121-38 (COR), 129-38 (COR) and 130-38 (COR), and Substitute Bill Nos. 28-38 (COR) and 118-38 (COR) which were passed by *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guahan* on June 3, 2025.

Sincerely,

Senator Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary

Enclosure (26)



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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. 55-38 (COR)**, “AN ACT TO **REPEAL AND REENACT** § 17116 OF CHAPTER 17, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CLARIFYING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND ESTABLISHING A QUARTERLY REPORTING SYSTEM FOR GUAM ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCES,” was on the 3rd day of June 2025, duly and regularly passed.



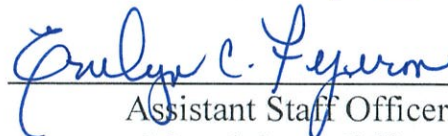
Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker

Attested:



Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 5 day of June, 2025, at 4:56 o'clock p.M.



Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'håga's Office

APPROVED:

Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: _____

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I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Bill No. 55-38 (COR)

As amended by the Committee on Economic Investment,
Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology,
Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement;
and further amended on the Floor.

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**AN ACT TO *REPEAL* AND *REENACT* § 17116 OF
CHAPTER 17, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED,
RELATIVE TO CLARIFYING REPORTING
REQUIREMENTS AND ESTABLISHING A
QUARTERLY REPORTING SYSTEM FOR GUAM
ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCES.**

- 1 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**
- 2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that
- 3 maintaining transparency and accountability in reporting campaign contributions

1 and expenditures are essential to maintaining public trust and preserving the integrity
2 of the electoral process.

3 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that due to the mandates leading up to the
4 Primary and General Elections, reviews of campaign finance reports are only
5 conducted at the end of an election cycle. This process lacks clarity and uniformity,
6 ultimately leaving limited time for the Guam Election Commission to thoroughly
7 review reports, offer timely guidance and identify discrepancies during the election
8 period.

9 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that implementing clear timelines and
10 requiring detailed disclosures of all contributions and expenditures will enable the
11 Guam Election Commission to effectively monitor campaign activity throughout the
12 election cycle and ensure that all candidates, political parties, and committees adhere
13 to consistent and efficient reporting practices.

14 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to strengthen campaign
15 finance review processes by clarifying reporting requirements and establishing a
16 quarterly reporting system to provide more consistent information in a timely
17 manner.

18 **Section 2. § 17116 Of Chapter 17, Title 3, Guam Code Annotated**
19 **is hereby repealed:**

20 **Section 3. § 17116 of Chapter 17, Title 3, Guam Code Annotated**
21 **is hereby reenacted to read:**

22 **“§ 17116. Quarterly Reports.**

23 (a) Every candidate, political party, or committee shall submit
24 quarterly reports to the Election Commission. The first report shall be due
25 January 15 in the first quarter of the year. In election years, the reports shall
26 be submitted as follows:

1 (1) January 15 for the period covering October through
2 December of the previous year, and

3 (2) April 15 for the period covering January through March.

4 Additionally, a preliminary report shall be submitted no later than ten
5 (10) days prior to a primary election with a final report submitted no later than
6 ten (10) days after a primary election. For the general election, a preliminary
7 report shall be submitted no later than ten (10) days prior to a general election
8 with a final report submitted no later than twenty (20) days after a general
9 election.

10 (b) In non-election years, candidates, political parties, and
11 committees shall submit quarterly reports on:

12 (1) January 15 for the period covering October through
13 December of the previous year;

14 (2) April 15 for the period covering January through March;

15 (3) July 15 for the period covering April through June; and

16 (4) October 15 for the period covering July through
17 September.

18 (c) The reports shall be certified pursuant to § 17103 of this Chapter
19 and shall contain the following information:

20 (1) the aggregate sum of contributions received authorized by
21 § 17111(b) of this Chapter;

22 (2) the amount, date of receipt, and date of deposit (when
23 applicable) of the contribution and the name and address of each donor
24 who makes a contribution of more than One Hundred Dollars
25 (\$100.00);

1 (3) all expenditures made, incurred, or authorized by or for a
2 candidate, including the name and address of each payee and the
3 amount, date, and purpose of each expenditure; and

4 (4) copies of all bank statements for the relevant calendar
5 quarter.

6 (d) A candidate, party, or committee that receives no contributions
7 or makes no expenditures shall nevertheless file quarterly reports as
8 required by law, the last of which shall be due not later than the fifteenth
9 (15th) day after the last day of the calendar quarter following the
10 primary, general, or special election.

11 (e) Every candidate, party, or committee shall file quarterly reports
12 until one of the following conditions is met:

13 (1) The depletion of campaign funds or the elimination of any
14 remaining deficit; or

15 (2) The transfer of any remaining surplus or deficit to a new
16 organization designated explicitly for a subsequent campaign, under the
17 condition that the new organization pertains to the same electoral office
18 in the case of a candidate or serves the same purpose or addresses the
19 same issue in the case of a committee.”

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

25 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.