

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
167-38 (COR) As amended on the Floor.	Frank F. Blas, Jr. Telo T. Taitague Sabina Flores Perez V. Anthony Ada Vincent A.V. Borja Shelly V. Calvo Christopher M. Dueñas Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao Jesse A. Lujan Tina Rose Muña-Barnes William A. Parkinson Sabrina Salas Matanane Therese M. Terlaje	AN ACT TO <i>AMEND</i> § 34.70 (f) AND § 34.70 (i) OF CHAPTER 34, TITLE 9 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO INCREASING PENALTIES FOR GRAFFITI VIOLATIONS ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY.	7/3/25 2:38 p.m.	7/11/25	Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement.	Request: 7/11/25 7/18/25	10/15/25 8:30 a.m.	11/4/25	
	SESSION DATE	TITLE	DATE PASSED	TRANSMITTED	DUE DATE	NOTES			
	11/26/25	AN ACT TO <i>AMEND</i> §§ 34.70(f), 34.70(i), AND 34.70(j)(1) ALL OF CHAPTER 34, TITLE 9 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO INCREASING PENALTIES FOR GRAFFITI VIOLATIONS ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY.	12/5/25	12/9/25	12/20/25				



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

December 9, 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. 49-38 (COR), 64-38 (COR), 128-38 (COR), 157-38 (COR), 163-38 (COR), 165-38 (COR), 167-38 (COR), 176-38 (COR), 183-38 (COR), 185-38 (COR), 189-38 (COR), 190-38 (COR), 192-38 (COR), and 199-38 (COR) which were passed by *I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guahan* on December 5, 2025.

Sincerely,

Senator Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary

Enclosure (14)

12.9.25

6:16pm



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2025 (FIRST) Regular Session

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

This is to certify that **Bill No. 167-38 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND §§ 34.70(f), 34.70(i), AND 34.70(l)(1) ALL OF CHAPTER 34, TITLE 9 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO INCREASING PENALTIES FOR GRAFFITI VIOLATIONS ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY,"** was on the 5th day of December 2025, duly and regularly passed.



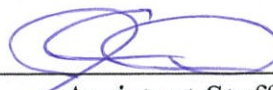
Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker

Attested:



Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 9th day of Dec, 2025, at 6:26 o'clock 9.M.



Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'håga's Office

APPROVED:

Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: _____

Public Law No. _____

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Bill No. 167-38 (COR)

As amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT TO *AMEND* §§ 34.70(f), 34.70(i), AND 34.70(l)(1)
ALL OF CHAPTER 34, TITLE 9 GUAM CODE
ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO INCREASING
PENALTIES FOR GRAFFITI VIOLATIONS ON PUBLIC
AND PRIVATE PROPERTY.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that graffiti vandalism continues to be a persistent problem throughout Guam, affecting both public and private properties. This form of property defacement contributes to urban blight, reduces property values, and creates a negative perception of safety among visitors to Guam. Graffiti not only imposes significant

1 clean-up costs on government agencies and private property owners, but it also
2 detracts from the aesthetic appeal and cultural heritage of our island.

3 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that current penalties for graffiti offenses
4 have not proven sufficient in deterring individuals from engaging in this unlawful
5 activity. Strengthening the penalties associated with graffiti violations, particularly
6 by increasing fines, will enhance the deterrent effect and emphasize the community's
7 zero-tolerance stance on property defacement.

8 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to increase fines for
9 individuals found guilty of graffiti vandalism, protecting the integrity of Guam's
10 neighborhoods, promoting respect for public and private spaces, and ensuring that
11 those responsible are held accountable in a manner that reflects the seriousness of
12 their actions.

13 **Section 2.** § 34.70(f) of Chapter 34, Title 9, Guam Code Annotated is
14 *amended* to read:

15 “(f) Any person violating subsections (b), (c), (d), or (e) shall be
16 punished by a fine of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for the first offense,
17 and four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) for each subsequent offense or by
18 imprisonment for a term not to exceed one hundred eighty (180) days, or by
19 both fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court. In the case of a
20 minor, the parents or legal guardian shall be responsible for payment of all
21 fines. Failure of the parents or legal guardian to make payment will result in
22 the filing of lien on the parents or legal guardian's property to include the fine
23 and court costs.

24 **Section 3.** § 34.70(i) of Chapter 34, Title 9, Guam Code Annotated, is
25 *amended* to read:

26 (i) In addition to any punishment listed in subsections (f), (g), and
27 (h), any adult convicted for violating subsections (b), (c), (d), or (e) is guilty

1 of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not less than a mandatory
2 one hundred twenty (120) days.”

3 **Section 4.** § 34.70(1)(1) of Chapter 34, Title 9, Guam Code Annotated is
4 *amended* to read:

5 “(1) Every person who owns, conducts, operates or manages a retail
6 commercial establishment selling aerosol containers of spray paint or broad-
7 tipped indelible markers *shall*:

8 (1) Place a sign in clear public view at or near the display of
9 such products stating:

10 ‘GRAFFITI IS A CRIME. ANY PERSON DEFACING REAL OR
11 PERSONAL PROPERTY NOT HIS OR HER OWN WITH PAINT
12 OR ANY OTHER LIQUID OR DEVICE IS GUILTY OF A CRIME
13 PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT OF UP TO ONE
14 HUNDRED EIGHTY (180) DAYS AND/OR A FINE UP TO FOUR
15 THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,000.00).’ ”