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BILL STATUS

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2025 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 241-38 (LS)

Introduced by:

Therese M. Terlaje 

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EXPEDITING THE RELEASE OF THE TWENTY
MILLION DOLLARS (\$20,000,000) APPROPRIATED
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OPERATIONS IN FISCAL YEAR 2026**

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

2 **Section 1. Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that GMH continues
3 to face substantial operational deficits, vendor payables, and critical infrastructure
4 needs, challenges that threaten continuity of care, vendor relationships, and the
5 hospital's ability to meet its obligations to patients, staff, and the public. In
6 recognition of these urgent needs, the Legislature previously appropriated Twenty
7 Million Dollars (**\$ 20,000,000**) under Public Law 38-60 (FY 2026 Budget Law) for
8 GMHA operations.

9 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that during deliberations in the Committee of the
10 Whole for Bill 186-38, the director of Bureau of Budget and Management Research
11 (BBMR) advised that the language of the P.L. 38-60 provision as currently enacted
12 may result in the delayed release of the appropriation, possibly after the end of the

1 fiscal year thereby undermining the timely disbursement of funds necessary for the
2 hospital's immediate operational requirements.

3 It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslatura* to prevent this delay and ensure timely
4 release of funds and to ensure such funds may also satisfy prior outstanding
5 pharmaceutical obligations owed to GMH.

6 **Section 2.** Chapter III, Part I, Section 6 of P.L. 38-60 is hereby amended to read:

7 **“Section 6. Net Unobligated Fiscal Year 2026 General Fund Balance**
8 **Appropriation.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the first Twenty
9 Million Dollars (**\$20,000,000**) ~~from the Net Unobligated Fiscal Year 2026 General~~
10 ~~Fund Balance is appropriated to the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority for~~
11 ~~operational expenses for Fiscal Year 2026~~ is hereby appropriated from the Fiscal
12 Year 2026 General Fund revenues collected in excess of the adopted levels
13 enumerated in Public Law 38-60 to the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority for
14 operational expenses for Fiscal Year 2026.. This appropriation covers any previously
15 unremitted GMH pharmaceutical fund amounts and clears any obligation to GMH
16 for pharmaceutical funds prior to FY2026.”