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BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	FISCAL NOTES	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
154-38 (COR)	Telo T. Taitague	AN ACT TO <i>AMEND</i> § 3102 AND <i>ADD</i> A NEW § 3102.1(h) TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 3, AND <i>AMEND</i> § 3103.3(c)(1) OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO ALIGN GUAM VOTER REGISTRATION PRACTICES WITH FEDERAL ELECTION INTEGRITY STANDARDS.	6/17/25 3:41 p.m.	6/25/25	Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement.	Request: 6/25/25 Waiver: 6/27/25	7/9/25 9:00 a.m.	7/15/25 As Amended.	



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July 10, 2025

The Honorable Frank F. Blas Jr.
Speaker

I Mina'trentai Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

VIA: Honorable Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada 
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

RE: Committee Report on Bill No. 154-38 (COR) – As amended

Buenas yan Håfa adai, Speaker Blas

Transmitted herewith is the Committee Report on **Bill No. 154-38 (COR), As amended-**
Introduced by Telo T. Taitague- *“AN ACT TO AMEND § 3102(a) AND ADD A NEW
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TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING
DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO ALIGN GUAM
VOTER REGISTRATION PRACTICES WITH FEDERAL ELECTION INTEGRITY
STANDARDS.”*

Committee votes are as follows:

<u>1</u>	TO DO PASS
<u>0</u>	TO NOT PASS
<u>3</u>	TO REPORT OUT ONLY
<u>0</u>	TO ABSTAIN
<u>0</u>	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

Sincerely,


TELO T. TAITAGUE
Senator



COMMITTEE ON RULES

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COMMITTEE REPORT

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MEMORANDUM:

TO: All Members
*Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Regulatory
Affairs, Technology, Justice, Elections, and Retirement*

FROM: Senator Telo T. Taitague
Committee Chairperson

SUBJECT: Committee Report on Bill No. 154-38 (COR)- As amended

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This report includes the following:

- Copy of COR Referral of Bill No. 154-38 (COR)
- Notice of Public Hearing
- Public Hearing Agenda
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Written Testimonies and Additional Documents
- Committee Vote Sheet and E-mails
- Committee Report Digest
- Copy of Bill No. 154-38 (COR), As Introduced
- Copy of Markup Version of Bill No. 154-38 (COR), As Amended
- Copy of Bill No. 154-38 (COR) As Amended
- Copy of Fiscal Note from the Bureau of Budget & Management Research

Please take the appropriate action on the attached vote sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Si Yu'os ma'åse'!

Senator Telo T. Taitague - Chairperson



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairperson
I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
38th Guam Legislature

June 25, 2025

To: **Rennae V. C. Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Darleen Hiton
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada** 
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 154-38 (COR)**

Håfa Adai,

As per my authority as Chairperson of the Committee on Rules and subject to §6.01(d)(1), Rule VI of our Standing Rules, I am forwarding the referral of **Bill No. 154-38 (COR)** –Telo T. Taitague. – “AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 3102 AND *ADD* A NEW § 3102.1(h) TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 3, AND *AMEND* § 3103.3(c)(1) OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO ALIGN GUAM VOTER REGISTRATION PRACTICES WITH FEDERAL ELECTION INTEGRITY STANDARDS.”

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred to the Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement chaired by Senator Telo T. Taitague. I also request that the same be copied to the Prime Sponsor of the subject bill and to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.

A copy of the bill is available on our legislative website.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Kamarin Nelson, Committee on Rules Director at 671-472-2461.



FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing – Wednesday, July 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

2 messages

Senator Telo Taitague <senatortelot@gmail.com>

1 July 2025 at 10:41

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July 1, 2025

MEMORANDUM**To:** All Senators, Stakeholders and Media**From:** Senator Telo T. Taitague, Chairperson**Subject:** **FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing – Wednesday, July 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.***Håfa Adai!*

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PUBLIC HEARING



 **Posted on:** 07/02/2025 02:13 PM

 **Posted by:** Charissa Manibusan, Committee Director

 **Public Hearing Date:** 07/10/2025 09:00 AM

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July 2, 2025

MEMORANDUM

To: All Senators, Stakeholders and Media

From: Senator Telo T. Taitague, Chairperson

Subject: FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing – Thursday, July 10, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

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Please be advised that the *Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Regulatory Affairs, Technology, Justice, Elections, and Retirement* will conduct a public hearing on **Thursday, July 10, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.** at the Guam Congress Building in the Public Hearing Room. The Committee will hear and accept testimonies of the following:

I. **BILL NO. 149-38 (LS)**

([https://guamlegislature.gov/38th_Guam_Legislature/Bills Introduced_38th/Bill%20No.%20149-38%20\(LS\)%20Referred%20Version.pdf](https://guamlegislature.gov/38th_Guam_Legislature/Bills_Introduced_38th/Bill%20No.%20149-38%20(LS)%20Referred%20Version.pdf)) – Introduced by Therese M. Terlaje- AN ACT TO AMEND § 7160(e), AND § 7161(f), CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO WAIVING VETERANS LICENSE PLATE FEES.

II. **BILL NO. 137-38 (COR)-**

([https://guamlegislature.gov/38th_Guam_Legislature/Bills Introduced_38th/Bill%20No.%20137-38%20\(COR\).pdf](https://guamlegislature.gov/38th_Guam_Legislature/Bills_Introduced_38th/Bill%20No.%20137-38%20(COR).pdf)) Introduced by V. Anthony Ada- AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 25.50 TO CHAPTER 25, AND A NEW § 19.82 TO CHAPTER 19, BOTH OF TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE DEFINITION AND INCLUSION OF INTERFERING WITH THE REPORTING OF CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT OFFENSES.

III. **BILL NO. 138-38 (COR)**

([https://guamlegislature.gov/38th_Guam_Legislature/Bills Introduced_38th/Bill%20No.%20138-38%20\(COR\).pdf](https://guamlegislature.gov/38th_Guam_Legislature/Bills_Introduced_38th/Bill%20No.%20138-38%20(COR).pdf)) - Introduced by V. Anthony Ada –AN ACT TO AMEND §7.58 OF ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 7, TITLE 9 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO HOLDING PERSONS CRIMINALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR CRIMES COMMITTED AFTER KNOWINGLY, WILLINGLY OR INTENTIONALLY CONSUMING ALCOHOL AND OTHER SUBSTANCES BY REPEALING THE

ALCOHOL AND OTHER SUBSTANCES BY RELAXING THE
LIMITATIONS OF THE INTOXICATION DEFENSE.

The public is invited to provide testimony on the agenda item at the Guam Legislature, Public Hearing Room. Virtual attendance using the Zoom platform is available for persons requiring accommodations, and on a case-by-case basis. Legislative protocol for virtual hearings must be adhered to. Please contact the Office of Senator Telo T. Taitague at senatortelot@gmail.com (<mailto:senatortelot@gmail.com>) or call (671) 989-8356 for more information. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), individuals requiring assistance or accommodation should contact the Office of Senator Telo T. Taitague at (671) 989-8356 or email senatortelot@gmail.com (<mailto:senatortelot@gmail.com>). The hearing will broadcast on local television, GTA Channel 21, Docomo Channel 117, and stream online via *I Liheslaturan Guåhan's* live feed on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/@GuamLegislatureMedia/streams> (<https://www.youtube.com/@GuamLegislatureMedia/streams>). A recording of the hearing will be available online via Guam Legislature Media on YouTube after the hearing.

SECOND NOTICE of Public Hearing – Wednesday, July 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

1 message

Senator Telo Taitague <senatortelot@gmail.com>

7 July 2025 at 05:45

To: phnotice@guamlegislature.gov

Cc: Ed Pocaigue <sgfarms@guamlegislature.gov>

July 7, 2025

MEMORANDUM**To:** All Senators, Stakeholders and Media**From:** Senator Telo T. Taitague, Chairperson**Subject:** **SECOND NOTICE of Public Hearing – Wednesday, July 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.***Håfa Adai!*

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PUBLIC HEARING



 **Posted on:** 07/07/2025 05:36 AM

 **Posted by:** Charissa Manibusan, Committee Director

 **Public Hearing Date:** 07/09/2025 09:00 AM

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7, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO MODERNIZING
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July 1, 2025

Transmitted via Electronic Mail

Maria I. D. Pangelinan, Executive Director

Guam Election Commission (GEC)

maria.pangelinan@gec.guam.gov

Subject: Invitation to provide testimony on Bill No. 154-38 (COR) and Bill No. 153-38 (COR):

Hafa Adai Executive Director Pangelinan,

This letter is to notify you that the Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Regulatory Affairs, Technology, Justice, Elections and Retirement has set a Public Hearing on **Wednesday, July 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., in the Guam Congress Building, Public Hearing room**, to hear the following Bill:

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Respectfully

Senator Telo T. Taitague

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**Invitation to provide testimony on Bill No. 154-38 (COR) and Bill No. 153-38 (COR);
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July 1, 2025***Transmitted via Electronic Mail***

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PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

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July 9, 2025

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Hafa Adai Madam Chairwoman,

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Historically, Guam law required documentary proof of citizenship. This was later removed in 2015 to streamline registration, allowing applicants to self-declare under penalty of perjury. While this approach reduced administrative barriers, it introduced enforcement challenges that limited GEC's ability to verify eligibility and uphold the integrity of the voter rolls. In light of Presidential Executive Order 14248, "*Preserving and Protecting the Integrity of American Elections*" (March 25, 2025), GEC supports reinstating documentation requirements to align with national practices encouraging the verification of citizenship and identity for voter registration.

From an operational perspective, GEC began proactively verifying citizenship documentation beginning March 2025. The majority of outstanding registrations were resolved, largely because proof of citizenship was already on file with the DMV. GEC currently generates monthly voter registration reports and is positioned to implement the bill's requirements effectively.

Bill No. 154-38 provides a structured approach to:

- Ensures that voter eligibility is clearly established;
- Provides a uniform, fair, and enforceable standard for all registrants; and
- Reflects best practices for election security and legal compliance.

Anticipated Benefits include:

- Tightening the voter registry by eliminating unverified or incomplete entries;
- Improving public trust in Guam's electoral system;
- Minimizing election-day disputes regarding voter eligibility; and
- Enhancing readiness to meet federal expectations and audit requirements.

The Guam Election Commission supports Bill No. 154-38 as a practical, balanced, and forward-looking reform. We are prepared to work with the Legislature and the Executive Branch to implement these measures efficiently and in a manner that serves the best interests of Guam's voters.

Si Yu'os ma'åse'. We are here to address questions as it pertains to the conduct of elections.

Sinseramente,



MARIA I.D. PANGELINAN
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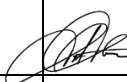
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REQUEST FOR E-VOTE: BILL NO. 154-38 (COR), AS AMENDED

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Håfa Adai Committee Members,

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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

I. OVERVIEW

Bill No. 154-38 (COR) was introduced on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, by Senator Telo T. Taitague. **Bill No. 154-38 (COR)** was referred by the Committee on Rules to the Committee on *Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement*, on Wednesday, June 25, 2025. The Committee convened a public hearing on July 9, 2025 at 9:00a.m. in the Guam Congress Building, Public Hearing Room.

Public Notice Requirement:

In compliance with Open Government Law, a five (5) day public notice of this hearing was published on July 1, 2025, and a forty-eight (48) hour notice was published on July 7, 2025, on KUAM-TV and on the Guam Public Notice Website. Notices were also sent to all senators, and all main media broadcasting outlets via email on the same dates.

Senators Present:

Senator Telo Taitague, Chairperson
Senator Shawn Gumataotao
Senator Chris Barnett

Appearing Before the Senate Panel:

Maria Pangelinan, Director, Guam Election Commission (GEC)

Written Testimony Submitted:

Maria Pangelinan, Director, Guam Election Commission (GEC)

II. **SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION**

The Public Hearing was Called-to-Order at 9:43am. Bill No. 154-38 (COR) - AN ACT TO AMEND § 3102 AND ADD A NEW § 3102.1(h) TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 3, AND AMEND § 3103.3(c)(1) OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED,

RELATIVE TO REQUIRING DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO ALIGN GUAM VOTER REGISTRATION PRACTICES WITH FEDERAL ELECTION INTEGRITY STANDARDS.” was the second item on the agenda.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: And now we will move over to our next bill, which is Bill 154-38 (COR). And this bill was introduced by myself, which is AN ACT TO AMEND § 3102 AND ADD A NEW § 3102.1(h) TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 3, AND AMEND § 3103.3(c)(1) OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO ALIGN GUAM VOTER REGISTRATION PRACTICES WITH FEDERAL ELECTION INTEGRITY STANDARDS. This bill was sent to BBMR for a fiscal note and received on June 26th, 2025, and this bill is administrative in nature and poses no additional, fiscal impact. Also, our legal counsel at the legislature, recommends no changes or amendments at this time.

The invitation was sent out to the Guam Election Commission and also, provided on. The informational, we've put this on KUAM as stated early on the test of the, the public hearing notice earlier was stated on KUAM in July, and, again, two days prior to this meeting for the public to also participate. So, at this time, I'd like to open it up with just a short statement. *Håfa adai and bueñas* to everyone. Again, we are here to discuss Bill 154-38, a measure I introduce in close collaboration with the Guam Election Commission to strengthen our voter registration laws in our territory and align Guam's practices with the federal election integrity standards. At the heart of this bill is a simple principle. Voting in a US election is a right reserved for US citizens. While Guam law currently requires voter applications to declare their citizenship under penalty of perjury, it does not require actual proof of that citizenship. With the Guam election Commission's effort, Bill 154 seeks to close that gap.

Bill 154 would require voter application applicants to submit documentary proof of US citizenship, such as a US passport, certificate of naturalization and a certified birth certificate alongside with a valid government issued photo ID. These documents are widely recognized and commonly used throughout the country for official purposes. Their use in voter registration will help ensure that only those legally eligible to vote are added to our voter rolls. Like the rest of my election reform measures. This legislation reflects meaningful, meaningful dialogue with Guam Election Commission on how to effectively implement practical safeguards while respecting the rights of eligible voters. The bill also gives Guam Election commission the authority and flexibility to securely manage records, verify documentation, and make necessary adjustments to improve the integrity of our



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electoral process with the Executive Order. 14248 recently issued by the president of the United States, calling on states and territories to tighten registration requirements, Guam must not be left out or left behind. We should not be proactive. We should, sorry about that. We should be proactive in modernizing our laws and reinforcing the public's confidence in fair and lawful elections. I look forward to the discussion from our stakeholders and our community members as we work together to ensure Guam's elections remain secure, credible, and most especially accountable. *Si Yu'os ma'åse*. And at this time, I'd like to recognize the director of the Guam Election Commission. Maria, you are now recognized.

MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): *Si yu'os ma'åse* madam chair. *Guahu si* Maria Pangelinan, *Direktot, Kumision Ileksion Guåhan*. *Si yu'os ma'åse* for the opportunity to provide testimony on Bill 154-38. The Guam Election Commission supports this legislation which seeks to reinstate the requirement for documentary proof of US citizenship as part of Guam's voter registration process, aligning local law with evolving federal election integrity standards. Historically, Guam Law required documentary proof of citizenship. This was later removed in 2015 to streamline registration, allowing applicants to self-declare under penalty of perjury. While this approach reduced administrative barriers, it introduced enforcement challenges that limited GEC's ability to verify eligibility and uphold the integrity of the voter rolls. In light of presidential Executive Order 14248, preserving and protecting the integrity of American elections. This was done March 25th, 2025. GEC supports reinstating documentation requirements to align with national practices, encouraging the verification of citizenship and the identity for voter registration. From an operational perspective, GEC began proactively verifying citizenship documentation beginning March 22, 2025.

The majority of outstanding registrations were resolved largely because proof of citizenship was already on file with the DMV, the division of motor vehicles. GEC currently generates monthly voter registration reports and is positioned to implement the bills requirements effectively. Bill 154-38 provides a structured approach. Two. One. Ensure that voter eligibility is clearly established. Two. Provide a uniform, fair, and enforceable standard for all registrants. And three, reflect best practices for election security and legal compliance. Anticipated benefits of the bill. One, tightening the voter registry by eliminating unverified or incomplete entries, improving public trust in Guam's electoral

system, minimizing election day disputes regarding voter eligibility and enhancing readiness to meet federal expectations and audit requirements. The Guam Election Commission supports bill number 1 54 dash 38 as a practical, balanced, and forward looking reform. We are prepared to work with the legislature and the executive branch to implement these measures efficiently and in a matter that serves the best interest of Guam's voters. *Si Yu'os ma'åse*. we are here to address questions as it pertains to the conduct of elections.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: *Si Yu'os ma'åse* Maria. And I'd also like to recognize your staff that's here today. Thank you so much for being here. And at this time, I'd like to recognize Senator Shawn Gumataotao.

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: Thank you, Madam Chair. And thank you Maria, for being with us. And when I see those two, I get a little skittish, publicly. I'll say that, by the way. Again, thank you for your testimony. I only have a couple questions. what information is available, regarding the extent to which the GEC monitors contributions by foreign nationals to federal or local elections? Recognizing that the Executive Order 14248 references federal law 52 USC 30121, which prohibits foreign nationals from participating in such elections through campaign contributions and expenditures.

MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): For the federal candidate, which is the non-voting delegate to US Congress, they report directly to the Federal Election Commission, and we just get a copy. So, it's the Federal Election Commission that regulates our congressional delegate candidates. For the, so they just submit a copy to us. And if I'm not mistaken, the Federal Election Commission prohibits foreign contributions and even corporate contributions. With regard to our candidates for local offices, foreign contributions are allowed within Guam statute. That section has not been of the executive order, has not been addressed. We want to start with this registration process first and we will look at it and see what our commissioners think.

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: Alright, thank you so much and with respect to 3 GCA 9123, which provides that for voting purposes. Verification of a person's residency shall include, but not limited to payment of Guam personal income taxes, maintaining a home or other living accommodation on Guam, having temporarily departed Guam with the intention of returning and not being registered to vote in any other US jurisdiction since departing Guam. What effort, if any, is carried out to verify an applicant's residency beyond a Village Mayor certification, ensuring that voting is reserved for legitimate Guam residents without adversely impacting those with long-term absences, including, but not limited to medical issues, work, military, and other extenuating circumstances.



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MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): What your, the citation you're taking that from is, addresses mostly off island absentee voters. So with that said, as they apply through the absentee ballot application form, that doubles as registration. So, with regard to residency, if they are active military or a dependent, absolutely no requirement. With regard to residency for everyone else it would be just attestation and they have to be, at the time of registration or at the time they left Guam, they should have been on Guam at least 30 days before the next election.

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: Alright, thank you so much and I do appreciate your input today. And, I know I mentioned being a little skittish around your staff, but they are really hard-working staff at the Guam Election Commission. I know they're probably watching at the office and I thank them for their service to the people of Guam. Thank you again, Maria.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you, Senator Gumataotao. Senator Barnett, you're recognized.

SENATOR CHRIS BARNETT: *Si Yu'os ma'åse*, Madam Chair. And again, good morning to the people of Guam on this *fotgon* Tuesday morning. Thank you, Ms. Maria for your testimony. So, it, just reading through your testimony, it kind of sounds like you're able to vet a lot of the currently registered voters by using the motor vehicle database.

MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): Senator, *huggan*, yes, we are able to do that, but we don't completely clear them. So, with some, I think, the majority we clear from the DMV database, but the ones that we don't clear, we contact them by email, by phone, and we write to them and send them a letter to let them know that their registration will not be complete until they submit to us even electronically proof of US citizenship.

SENATOR CHRIS BARNETT: Is there an issue with the non-citizens trying to infiltrate our elections here in Guam?

MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): No sir. It. You know, from our experience back in 2020, I believe, when we did the, during COVID, when we did the early voting and, right in front of GCIC, what happened then in 2020 is as you, an early voter is considered an absentee voter. So, they are signing an affidavit saying, I am, Chris Barnett, and I am a US citizen. So, a couple of folks, in trying to sign the a, the affidavit for the early voting absentee ballot indicated that they were not US citizens, so hence they were not allowed to vote. This happens, I believe, you know, these little things, not little, but these things happen. They go through the cracks. We have to train our volunteer registrars. And so, with the absence of the requirement for, proof of US citizenship starting in 2015, we trained our volunteer voter registrars to make sure the new registrant initials at the attestation three times. One, that they're a US citizen, one that they're a resident, and the third one is that they're 18 years and above. So that was our fallback since 2015. And the Guam Election Commission is committed to making sure that our voter rules are as clean as possible, and this would help us.

SENATOR CHRIS BARNETT: So, if you're registered voter and you're vetted through DMV and their database, and then you're left with registered voters who just self-attested and didn't provide any extra documentation, if this bill passes, what's the process for those individuals?

MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): We won't register them. We won't, they won't be on the voter rolls. Let's say they show up on election day to vote. What would happen is they would be offered a provisional ballot. Within seven days, seven work days after the election, they are given time, seven days to come in with their proof of citizenship and submit their document and we will, that ballot will be counted. We send them, again we send them a letter and let them know as soon as we, you know, when we're processing the DMV voter, what we call motor voter. When we process that and there is no proof of citizenship on file with DMV or with GEC. We send them a letter, we send them an email, we try to call them to come in or send us proof of citizenship.

SENATOR CHRIS BARNETT: Is there any chance of withholding any federal election funds if we don't pass this law. I'm just kind of curious about the binding power of the presidential executive order.

MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): Okay. So, when we received word of the executive order, one of the first things we did after the first meeting of the Guam Election Commission Board was to write a letter to the US Election Assistance Commission Chairman who is the purse holder of our federal grant.



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Unfortunately, they're not able to answer or respond to our letter because of the injunctions that have been filed, on the executive order. So, is there a chance for us to lose federal funds? There may be, as is written in the federal, in the executive order. Right now, it doesn't look good for federal funds for Guam. In terms of the budget. Bill does not have any more. There's no funding for the,

SENATOR CHRIS BARNETT: Are you talking about, *dispensa*, are you talking about the beautiful budget bill?

MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): I'm talking about the budget bill. So, with that, you know, we're watching closely and EAC is watching closely, but right now *taya'*, there's no nothing for the Election Security Grant, which is the Formula Fund that we get from them for 2026.

SENATOR CHRIS BARNETT: So, is there anything that mandates you outside of the law passing to have to do all this before the 26 elections?

MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): Not clear. All the injunctions are being filed, so we're not so sure at this point in time.

SENATOR CHRIS BARNETT: And again, just for the record, we don't have an issue with catching non-citizens attempting to vote in our elections.

MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): No, you know, with early voting, it helps the election process because people stand in front of our staff and they, we clarify who is eligible to vote. And yes, we've had minimal or no problems with that.

SENATOR CHRIS BARNETT: So, kind of just going back to, I know that the, Madam Chair in our opening and talked about the types of documentation that would have to be provided. Let's say you're one of those individuals who has to, you know, basically re-register, right? Because you didn't provide documentation. What types of documentation are, are you gonna be accepting?

MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): Okay. For US citizenship, it would be a birth certificate. It could be a passport, a US passport, we have to be careful with that because American Samoans are given US passports, but they are naturalized. They are, they are not citizens. Right. So, the US passport, we accept we'll be, we were careful with that now, a naturalization certificate than, the certified live birth from a foreign country. They have that document. Please note that a real ID is not proof of US citizenship.

SENATOR CHRIS BARNETT: Mm. Interesting. Okay. Well, thank you Madam Chair, for the opportunity to ask questions. I think, you know, on its surface, it seems pretty simple, but I'm just not quite sure with the lay of the land and the injunctions that are happening, how do we move forward with this. So, thank you again, Madam Chair.

MARIA PANGELINAN, DIRECTOR, GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION (GEC): You're very welcome. you know, you brought that up, Maria, about that the real ID is not an indicator of, real citizenship, but, you know, when you go onto the military bases, Navy or Anderson, that you are required to have that ID with the real ID on the top from what I was told. So, it's kind of ironic that, you know, the military recognizes that, but our election commission doesn't. But anyhow, I understand the importance of this legislation, to meet, you know, again, be proactive and to meet, the means of, what the election standard, commission that you work with in the us. So, and it only makes sense, you know, it makes sense. These are meant for US citizens, you know, but other than that, if there's no other further questions, Bill 154-38 has been heard and we will now move onto the next bill.

Public Hearing Adjourned at: 10:05am

III. FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Bill No. 154-38 (COR) seeks to amend Guam's voter registration laws to require documentary proof of U.S. citizenship, aligning Guam's practices with federal election integrity standards. It aims to strengthen the integrity of voter rolls and ensure that only eligible U.S. citizens can participate in elections.

- Guam Election Commission (GEC) Director Maria Pangelinan expressed the Guam Election Commission's support for the bill, emphasizing its alignment with federal election integrity standards and the need to reinstate documentary proof of U.S. citizenship for voter registration. She noted that this requirement was removed in 2015, which introduced enforcement



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challenges. According to Director Pangelinan, GEC has already begun verifying citizenship documentation since March 2025, resolving most outstanding registrations using DMV records. For incomplete registrations, GEC contacts applicants via email, phone, and letters to request proof of citizenship. The bill would tighten voter rolls, improve public trust, minimize election day disputes, and enhance readiness for federal audits. GEC supports the bill as a practical reform and is prepared to work with the legislature and executive branch to implement it efficiently. Pangelinan also highlighted that Guam law currently allows foreign contributions to local elections, which is not addressed in the bill. Additionally, she noted that injunctions against the presidential Executive Order 14248 create uncertainty about federal election funding for Guam.

- Senator Shawn Gumataotao asked about GEC's monitoring of foreign contributions to elections, referencing federal law prohibiting such contributions. Maria clarified that foreign contributions are allowed under Guam law for local elections, but federal candidates are regulated by the Federal Election Commission. Senator Gumataotao suggested starting with voter registration reforms and later addressing foreign contributions.
- Senator and Vice Chair Chris Barnett inquired about the process for individuals who self-attested citizenship without providing documentation, the types of acceptable proof of citizenship, and the implications of injunctions against the executive order. Maria clarified that such individuals would be offered provisional ballots and given seven days to provide proof of citizenship. Vice Chair Barnett raised questions about the practicality of implementing the bill amidst legal uncertainties and emphasized the need for clarity on acceptable documentation.
- Chairperson and bill sponsor, Senator Telo T. Taitague highlighted the importance of aligning Guam's voter registration practices with federal standards and ensuring elections are secure and credible. She emphasized the proactive nature of the legislation.

A markup meeting was held on July 10, 2025 with minor technical amendments made to the bill per the Guam Legislature's Legal Bureau.

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The Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement hereby reports out **Bill No. 154-38 (COR)- As Amended**- Introduced by Telo T. Taitague- “AN ACT TO AMEND § 3102(a) AND ADD A NEW § 3102.1(h) TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 3, AND AMEND § 3103.3(c)(1) OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO ALIGN GUAM VOTER REGISTRATION PRACTICES WITH FEDERAL ELECTION INTEGRITY STANDARDS,” with the recommendation [To Report Out Only](#)

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Bill No. 154-38 (COR)

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 3102 AND *ADD* A NEW § 3102.1(h) TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 3, AND *AMEND* § 3103.3(c)(1) OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO ALIGN GUAM VOTER REGISTRATION PRACTICES WITH FEDERAL ELECTION INTEGRITY STANDARDS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings & intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that preserving the integrity of elections is essential to upholding the principles of democracy and maintaining the public's trust in government institutions. Under both federal and territorial law, the right to vote is reserved exclusively for United States citizens.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that as it currently stands, voter registration procedures in Guam require applicants to submit an affidavit of registration before an authorized registration clerk or in accordance with absentee procedures, as established in Title 3 of the Guam Code Annotated. While applicants must declare under penalty of perjury that they are U.S. citizens, the law as it is does not mandate the submission of documentary proof of citizenship.

1 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that on March 25, 2025, President Donald
2 J. Trump issued Executive Order 14248, titled “Preserving and Protecting the
3 Integrity of American Elections.” The Order directs federal agencies to strengthen
4 voter registration requirements by mandating documentary proof of U.S. citizenship
5 and identity verification through the national mail voter registration form. It further
6 encourages states and territories to adopt similar requirements to protect election
7 integrity and public trusts.

8 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that while Guam is not a state, the
9 governing body is committed to upholding the highest standards of electoral
10 integrity and to align territorial practices with evolving national policy. In light of
11 Executive Order 14248, *I Liheslatura* finds it necessary to modernize Guam’s voter
12 registration laws to require valid, documentary proof of U.S. citizenship and
13 government-issued photo identification as conditions of voter eligibility.

14 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to authorize the Guam
15 Election Commission (GEC) to implement these requirements, including the
16 verification of documents, secure storage of citizenship and identification records,
17 and necessary procedural adjustments to strengthen Guam’s commitment to lawful,
18 secure, and transparent elections and ensure compliance with national election
19 integrity standards.

20 **Section 2.** § 3102 of Chapter 3, Title 3, Guam Code Annotated, is hereby
21 *amended* to read:

22 “(a) No person shall be registered as a voter, except by affidavit of
23 registration made before an authorized registration clerk or, in the case of an
24 absentee voter, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 10 of this Title.

25 (1) Before such affidavit shall be made, the person *shall* state if
26 he or she is currently registered to vote in any other jurisdiction(s). If
27 that person answers affirmatively, that person shall identify said

1 jurisdiction and complete and sign an attested statement on a form
2 provided by the Commission which requests the cancellation of that
3 person's registration, and which *shall* be forthwith forwarded by the
4 Commission to that jurisdiction. If that person answers negatively, that
5 person *shall* nonetheless identify the jurisdiction in which that person
6 last voted.

7 (2) No registration clerk shall register any person *except* upon
8 ~~the person's declaration under penalty of perjury~~ presentation of written
9 evidence from the person applying for registration that they are the
10 ~~person is~~ a citizen of the United States who will be *at least* eighteen
11 (18) years of age on the date of the next election to be conducted by
12 the Commission, and that the person is a resident of Guam. A copy of
13 the evidence of citizenship and identification submitted by the applicant
14 shall be attached to the registration form or absentee ballot application.

15 (3) Written evidence of U.S. Citizenship for the purpose of this
16 section shall include:

17 (A) U.S Passport;

18 (B) Certificate of U.S. Citizenship; Certificate of
19 Naturalization

20 (C) A combination of one (1) document from list (i) and
21 one (1) document from list (ii) as follows:

22 (i) Acceptable primary documents:

23 (aa) certification of birth abroad issued by the
24 Department of State.

25 (bb) original or certified copy of a birth
26 certificate issued by a state, county, municipal
27 authority, common wealth district or outlying

1 possession of the United States bearing an official
2 seal;

3 (cc) Native American Tribal document; and

4 (dd) U.S. Citizen ID Card.

5 (ii) Acceptable secondary documents:

6 (aa) driver's license or ID card issued by a
7 state or outlying possession of the United States;
8 provided, it contains a photograph or information
9 such as name, date of birth, sex, height, eye color
10 and address;

11 (bb) ID card issued by Federal, state or local
12 government agencies or entities; provided, it
13 contains a photograph or information, such as
14 name, date of birth, sex, height, eye color and
15 address;

16 (cc) school ID card with photograph;

17 (dd) voter's registration card; U.S. Military
18 card or draft record; military dependent's ID card;
19 and

20 (ee) U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner
21 Card.

22 (34) The affidavit of registration form by the applicant *shall*
23 contain:

24 (A) that applicant's given name, middle name, if any, and
25 surname;

26 (B) the street name and number, municipality or lot
27 number, and municipality where that person resides on Guam;

1 (C) that the person declares under penalty of perjury that
2 he or she is a citizen of the United States who will be *at least*
3 eighteen (18) years of age on the date of the next election to be
4 conducted by the Commission;

5 (D) that the person has been a resident of Guam for *not*
6 *less* than thirty (30) days immediately preceding the date on
7 which the next election will be held;

8 (E) that applicant's complete mailing address, if different
9 from the residence address, including post office address, city or
10 town, zip code or other designation used by that person for
11 receiving mail. The form *shall* also include a line for the
12 applicant's e-mail address (optional to applicant);

13 (F) that applicant's telephone number;

14 (G) that applicant's place of birth;

15 (H) that applicant's date of birth;

16 ~~(I) one (1) of the following identifiers for each applicant:~~

17 ~~(i) the Guam driver's license number or Guam~~
18 ~~identification card number of the applicant issued by the~~
19 ~~Department of Revenue and Taxation, Motor Vehicle~~
20 ~~Division; or~~

21 ~~(ii) if the applicant does not have a Guam driver's~~
22 ~~license or Guam identification card, the last four (4) digits~~
23 ~~of the applicant's social security number; or~~

24 ~~(iii) if the applicant does not have a Guam driver's~~
25 ~~license or Guam identification card or a social security~~
26 ~~number and the applicant attests to that, a unique~~
27 ~~identifying number consisting of the applicant's unique~~

1 ~~identification number to be assigned by the GEC~~
2 ~~Executive Director.~~

3 (~~J~~I) the statement: “Unlawful Registration is a Crime. Any
4 person who willfully causes, procures or allows himself or
5 herself or any person to be registered as a voter, knowing himself
6 or herself or the other person not to be entitled to registration, is
7 guilty of a felony of the third degree.”

8 (~~K~~J) the signature of the applicant; and

9 (~~L~~K) if the applicant is unable to sign the form, a statement
10 that the affidavit was completed according to the applicant’s
11 direction.

12 (b) At the time of submitting a voter registration application, a person
13 *shall* present a validly issued photo identification card issued by a federal,
14 state, Guam secondary school, Guam post-secondary school or government of
15 Guam entity to the registration clerk or volunteer registrar or other authorized
16 election official.

17 (c) Notwithstanding the age requirements of Subsection (a) of this
18 Section, upon satisfactory proof of age, every person that meets all eligibility
19 requirements to register and is sixteen (16) years of age or older, may pre-
20 register to vote. A properly executed registration made pursuant to this
21 Subsection *shall* be deemed effective as of the date the affiant will be eighteen
22 (18) years of age, if the information in the affidavit of registration is still
23 current at the time. If the information provided by the affiant is not current at
24 the time that the registration would otherwise become effective, the affiant
25 must provide current information by any means authorized in this Chapter for
26 persons eighteen (18) years of age or older for the affiant’s registration to
27 become effective.

1 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person who is
2 seventeen (17) years old on the date of a primary election and who is
3 otherwise qualified to vote *shall* be qualified to vote at that primary,
4 including voting as an absentee, during a grace period, or voting early
5 with respect to that primary, if that person will be eighteen (18) years
6 old on the date of the immediately following general election.

7 (2) All references to the requirement that a person must be
8 eighteen (18) years old to vote *shall* be interpreted in accordance with
9 this Section.

10 (3) For the purposes of this Section, an individual who is
11 seventeen (17) years of age and who will be eighteen (18) years of age
12 on the date of the general election *shall* be deemed competent to
13 execute and attest to any voter registration forms.”

14 **Section 3** A new § 3102.1(h) is hereby *added to* Chapter 3, Title 3, Guam
15 Code Annotated to read:

16 “(a) A person who has a valid Guam driver’s license or Guam
17 identification card may submit a voter registration application electronically
18 on the Guam Election Commission website.

19 (b) The applicant must attest, under penalty of perjury, to the truth of
20 the information provided on the application by affirmatively accepting the
21 information as true.

22 (c) The applicant must affirmatively agree to the use of his or her Guam
23 driver’s license or Guam identification card signature for voter registration
24 purposes.

25 (d) The applicant must acknowledge that a person who knows that he
26 or she does not possess the legal qualifications of a voter and who registers to
27 vote is guilty of a felony in the third degree.

1 (e) For each electronic application, the Guam Election Commission
2 must obtain a digital copy of the applicant's Guam driver's license or Guam
3 identification card signature from the Department of Revenue and Taxation,
4 Motor Vehicle Division.

5 (f) The Guam Election Commission may employ additional security
6 measures to ensure the accuracy and integrity of voter registration
7 applications submitted electronically.

8 (g) An applicant may be registered electronically in accordance with
9 this Section from the time the registration is open until twenty-one (21) days
10 prior to an election.

11 (h) An electronic voter registration application shall not be approved
12 unless the applicant submits written evidence of U.S. citizenship in
13 accordance with § 3102 (a)(3). The Guam Election Commission shall provide
14 a secure method for applicants to upload such documentation or, alternatively,
15 may verify that such document was previously submitted and remains on
16 record."

17 **Section 4.** § 3101.3(c)(1) of Chapter 3, Title 16, Guam Code Annotated, is
18 hereby *amended* to read:

19 “(1) The voter registration application shall contain the applicant's
20 name, residence address, mailing address if different from residence address,
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8 **Section 5. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any
9 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or inorganic, such invalidity shall not
10 affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without
11 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are
12 severable.

13 **Section 6. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.
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Bill No. 154-38 (COR)

As Amended by the Committee on Economic Investment,
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Introduced by:

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2 certificate issued by a state, county, municipal
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4 possession of the United States bearing an official
5 seal;

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10 state or outlying possession of the United States;
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12 such as name, date of birth, sex, height, eye color
13 and address;

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15 government agencies or entities; provided, it
16 contains a photograph or information, such as
17 name, date of birth, sex, height, eye color and
18 address;

19 (cc) school ID card with photograph;

20 (dd) voter's registration card; U.S. Military
21 card or draft record; military dependent's ID card;

22 or

23 (ee) U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner
24 Card.

25 (34) The affidavit of registration form by the applicant *shall*
26 contain:

1 (A) that applicant's given name, middle name, if any, and
2 surname;

3 (B) the street name and number, municipality or lot
4 number, and municipality where that person resides on Guam;

5 (C) that the person declares under penalty of perjury that
6 he or she is a citizen of the United States who will be *at least*
7 eighteen (18) years of age on the date of the next election to be
8 conducted by the Commission;

9 (D) that the person has been a resident of Guam for *not*
10 *less* than thirty (30) days immediately preceding the date on
11 which the next election will be held;

12 (E) that applicant's complete mailing address, if different
13 from the residence address, including post office address, city or
14 town, zip code or other designation used by that person for
15 receiving mail. The form *shall* also include a line for the
16 applicant's e-mail address (optional to applicant);

17 (F) that applicant's telephone number;

18 (G) that applicant's place of birth;

19 (H) that applicant's date of birth;

20 ~~(I) one (1) of the following identifiers for each applicant:~~

21 ~~(i) the Guam driver's license number or Guam~~
22 ~~identification card number of the applicant issued by the~~
23 ~~Department of Revenue and Taxation, Motor Vehicle~~
24 ~~Division; or~~

25 ~~(ii) if the applicant does not have a Guam driver's~~
26 ~~license or Guam identification card, the last four (4) digits~~
27 ~~of the applicant's social security number; or~~

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2 ~~license or Guam identification card or a social security~~
3 ~~number and the applicant attests to that, a unique~~
4 ~~identifying number consisting of the applicant's unique~~
5 ~~identification number to be assigned by the GEC~~
6 ~~Executive Director.~~

7 ~~(J)~~ the statement: "Unlawful Registration is a Crime. Any
8 person who willfully causes, procures or allows himself or
9 herself or any person to be registered as a voter, knowing himself
10 or herself or the other person not to be entitled to registration, is
11 guilty of a felony of the third degree."

12 ~~(K)~~ the signature of the applicant; and

13 ~~(L)~~ if the applicant is unable to sign the form, a statement
14 that the affidavit was completed according to the applicant's
15 direction.

16 (b) At the time of submitting a voter registration application, a person
17 *shall* present a validly issued photo identification card issued by a federal,
18 state, Guam secondary school, Guam post-secondary school or government of
19 Guam entity to the registration clerk or volunteer registrar or other authorized
20 election official.

21 (c) Notwithstanding the age requirements of Subsection (a) of this
22 Section, upon satisfactory proof of age, every person that meets all eligibility
23 requirements to register and is sixteen (16) years of age or older, may pre-
24 register to vote. A properly executed registration made pursuant to this
25 Subsection *shall* be deemed effective as of the date the affiant will be eighteen
26 (18) years of age, if the information in the affidavit of registration is still
27 current at the time. If the information provided by the affiant is not current at

1 the time that the registration would otherwise become effective, the affiant
2 must provide current information by any means authorized in this Chapter for
3 persons eighteen (18) years of age or older for the affiant's registration to
4 become effective.

5 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person who is
6 seventeen (17) years old on the date of a primary election and who is
7 otherwise qualified to vote *shall* be qualified to vote at that primary,
8 including voting as an absentee, during a grace period, or voting early
9 with respect to that primary, if that person will be eighteen (18) years
10 old on the date of the immediately following general election.

11 (2) All references to the requirement that a person must be
12 eighteen (18) years old to vote *shall* be interpreted in accordance with
13 this Section.

14 (3) For the purposes of this Section, an individual who is
15 seventeen (17) years of age and who will be eighteen (18) years of age
16 on the date of the general election *shall* be deemed competent to
17 execute and attest to any voter registration forms.”

18 **Section 3** A new § 3102.1(h) is hereby *added to* Chapter 3, Title 3, Guam
19 Code Annotated to read:

20 “(a) A person who has a valid Guam driver's license or Guam
21 identification card may submit a voter registration application electronically
22 on the Guam Election Commission website.

23 (b) The applicant must attest, under penalty of perjury, to the truth of
24 the information provided on the application by affirmatively accepting the
25 information as true.

1 (c) The applicant must affirmatively agree to the use of his or her Guam
2 driver's license or Guam identification card signature for voter registration
3 purposes.

4 (d) The applicant must acknowledge that a person who knows that he
5 or she does not possess the legal qualifications of a voter and who registers to
6 vote is guilty of a felony in the third degree.

7 (e) For each electronic application, the Guam Election Commission
8 must obtain a digital copy of the applicant's Guam driver's license or Guam
9 identification card signature from the Department of Revenue and Taxation,
10 Motor Vehicle Division.

11 (f) The Guam Election Commission may employ additional security
12 measures to ensure the accuracy and integrity of voter registration
13 applications submitted electronically.

14 (g) An applicant may be registered electronically in accordance with
15 this Section from the time the registration is open until twenty-one (21) days
16 prior to an election.

17 (h) An electronic voter registration application shall not be approved
18 unless the applicant submits written evidence of U.S. citizenship in
19 accordance with § 3102 (a)(3). The Guam Election Commission shall provide
20 a secure method for applicants to upload such documentation or, alternatively,
21 may verify that such document was previously submitted and remains on
22 record."

23 **Section 4.** § 3101.3(c)(1) of Chapter 3, Title 16, Guam Code Annotated, is
24 hereby *amended* to read:

25 "(1) The voter registration application shall contain the applicant's
26 name, residence address, mailing address if different from residence address,

1 date of birth, and the applicant's signature and the date of affixation of
2 signature, and may include any other information, certifications, and
3 declarations, including those made under the penalty of perjury, that may be
4 required by the Guam Election Commission in order to administer a single
5 and unified system of voter registration in accordance with applicable local
6 and federal laws which shall enable duly registered voters to vote in all
7 elections in their respective municipality, division or districts, including,
8 elections for federal officers. The voter registration application must also
9 include the statement that unlawful voter registration is a crime and any person
10 who willfully causes, procures or allows himself or herself or any person to
11 be registered as a voter, knowing himself or herself or other person not to be
12 entitled to registration, is guilty of a felony of the third degree. A copy of
13 written evidence of U.S. citizenship pursuant to § 3102 of Chapter 3, Title 3,
14 Guam Code Annotated shall be attached to the voter registration application."

15 **Section 5. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any
16 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or inorganic, such invalidity shall not
17 affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without
18 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are
19 severable.

20 **Section 6. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.
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I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2025 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 154-38 (COR)

As Amended by the Committee on Economic Investment,
Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology,
Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement

Introduced by:

Telo T. Taitague

AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 3102(a) AND *ADD* A NEW § 3102.1(h) TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 3, AND *AMEND* § 3103.3(c)(1) OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO ALIGN GUAM VOTER REGISTRATION PRACTICES WITH FEDERAL ELECTION INTEGRITY STANDARDS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings & intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that preserving the integrity of elections is essential to upholding the principles of democracy and maintaining the public's trust in government institutions. Under both federal and territorial law, the right to vote is reserved exclusively for United States citizens.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that as it currently stands, voter registration procedures in Guam require applicants to submit an affidavit of registration before an authorized registration clerk or in accordance with absentee procedures, as established in Title 3 of the Guam Code Annotated. While applicants

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1 must declare under penalty of perjury that they are U.S. citizens, the law as it is does
2 not mandate the submission of documentary proof of citizenship.

3 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that on March 25, 2025, President Donald
4 J. Trump issued Executive Order 14248, titled “Preserving and Protecting the
5 Integrity of American Elections.” The Order directs federal agencies to strengthen
6 voter registration requirements by mandating documentary proof of U.S. citizenship
7 and identity verification through the national mail voter registration form. It further
8 encourages states and territories to adopt similar requirements to protect election
9 integrity and public trusts.

10 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that while Guam is not a state, the
11 governing body is committed to upholding the highest standards of electoral
12 integrity and to align territorial practices with evolving national policy. In light of
13 Executive Order 14248, *I Liheslatura* finds it necessary to modernize Guam’s voter
14 registration laws to require valid, documentary proof of U.S. citizenship and
15 government-issued photo identification as conditions of voter eligibility.

16 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to authorize the Guam
17 Election Commission (GEC) to implement these requirements, including the
18 verification of documents, secure storage of citizenship and identification records,
19 and necessary procedural adjustments to strengthen Guam’s commitment to lawful,
20 secure, and transparent elections and ensure compliance with national election
21 integrity standards.

22 **Section 2.** § 3102(a) of Chapter 3, Title 3, Guam Code Annotated, is hereby
23 *amended* to read:

24 “(a) No person shall be registered as a voter, except by affidavit of
25 registration made before an authorized registration clerk or, in the case of an
26 absentee voter, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 10 of this Title.

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(1) Before such affidavit shall be made, the person *shall* state if he or she is currently registered to vote in any other jurisdiction(s). If that person answers affirmatively, that person shall identify said jurisdiction and complete and sign an attested statement on a form provided by the Commission which requests the cancellation of that person's registration, and which *shall* be forthwith forwarded by the Commission to that jurisdiction. If that person answers negatively, that person *shall* nonetheless identify the jurisdiction in which that person last voted.

(2) No registration clerk shall register any person *except* upon ~~the person's declaration under penalty of perjury~~ presentation of written evidence from the person applying for registration that they are the person is a citizen of the United States who will be *at least* eighteen (18) years of age on the date of the next election to be conducted by the Commission, and that the person is a resident of Guam. A copy of the evidence of citizenship and identification submitted by the applicant shall be attached to the registration form or absentee ballot application.

(3) Written evidence of U.S. Citizenship for the purpose of this section shall include:

(A) U.S Passport; *or*

(B) Certificate of U.S. Citizenship; Certificate of Naturalization; *or*

(C) A combination of one (1) document from list (i) and one (1) document from list (ii) as follows:

(i) Acceptable primary documents:

(aa) certification of birth abroad issued by the Department of State.

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2 certificate issued by a state, county, municipal
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8 conducted by the Commission;

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15 **Section 5. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any
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17 affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without
18 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are
19 severable.

20 **Section 6. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.
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COMMITTEE ON RULES

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairperson
I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
38th Guam Legislature

June 27, 2025

To: **Rennae V. C. Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada** 
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: **Fiscal Note Waiver for Bill No. 154-38 (COR)**

Håfa Adai!

Find the attached, Fiscal Note Waiver for the following bill:

Bill No. 154-38 (COR).

I also request that the same be sent to the respective Chairperson of the Standing Committee, to which this bill has been referred. Kindly copy the same to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.





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Hafa Adai! Vice Speaker Ada:

The Bureau requests that Bill No. 154-38 (COR) be granted a waiver pursuant to Public Law 12-229 as amended for the following reason(s):

Legislative Bill No. 154-38 (COR) intends to amend §3102 and *add* a new §3102.1(h) to Chapter 3, Title 3, and *amend* §3103.3(c)(1) of Chapter 3, Title 16, Guam Code Annotated, relative to requiring documentary proof of United States citizenship to align Guam voter registration practices with federal election integrity standards.

The proposed amendments are administrative in nature and poses no additional fiscal impact upon any funds of the Government of Guam in FY 2025.

Senseramente,

FOR LESTER L. CARLSON, JR.