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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
73-38 (COR)	Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao	AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF THE TITLE OF OWNERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF LOT 15, BLOCK F, TRACT 9 IN BARRIGADA HEIGHTS FROM THE CHAMORRO LAND TRUST COMMISSION TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.	3/4/25 8:03 a.m.	3/14/2025 10:47 a.m.	Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure.	Request: 3/14/25 3/20/25	5/22/25 2:00 p.m.	8/8/25	Exhibit A



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Chairperson - Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure

July 1, 2025

Honorable Frank F. Blas, Jr

Speaker

Mina'trentai Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan

163 Chalan Santo Papa

Hagåtña, Guam 96910

VIA: Honorable V. Anthony Ada

Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Re: Committee Report on Bill No. 73-38 (COR)

Håfa adai Speaker Blas:

Transmitted herewith is the Committee Report on the **Bill No. 73-38 (COR)** - Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao - "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF THE TITLE OF OWNERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF LOT 15, BLOCK F, TRACT 9 IN BARRIGADA HEIGHTS FROM THE CHAMORRO LAND TRUST COMMISSION TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER."

Committee votes are as follows:

<u>2</u>	TO DO PASS
<u>0</u>	TO NOT PASS
<u>4</u>	TO REPORT OUT ONLY
<u>0</u>	TO ABSTAIN
<u>0</u>	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

Si Yu'os ma'åse',

V. Anthony Ada



COMMITTEE ON RULES

RECEIVED:

July 1, 2025 10:33 a.m.

Marie Crisostomo

Revisions Received:

August 6, 2025 4:25 p.m.



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COMMITTEE REPORT

Bill No. 73-38 (COR)

Introduced by Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao

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by Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada



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Chairperson - Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure

June 30, 2025

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members
Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure

From: Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada 
Committee Chairperson

Subject: Committee Report on Bill No. 73-38 (COR)

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This report includes the following:

- Copy of COR Referral of Bill No. 73-38 (COR)
- Notices of Public Hearing
- Copy of the Public Hearing Agenda
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Copies of Submitted Testimonies & Supporting Documents
- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest
- Copy of Bill No. 73-38 (COR)
- Copy of Fiscal Note from Bureau of Budget and 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'



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairperson

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38th Guam Legislature

March 14, 2025

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

Attorney Darleen Hiton
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Senator Christopher M. Dueñas** 
Acting Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 73-38 (COR)**

Håfa Adai,

As per my authority as Acting 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. 73-38 (COR)** – Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao. – “AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF THE TITLE OF OWNERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF LOT 15, BLOCK F, TRACT 9 IN BARRIGADA HEIGHTS FROM THE CHAMORRO LAND TRUST COMMISSION TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.”

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred to the Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure chaired by Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada. I also request that the same be forwarded 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: May 22, 2025

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada <vicespeakertonyada@guamlegislature.gov>

Thu, May 15, 2025 at 10:54 AM

Bcc: phnotice@guamlegislature.gov, Office Senator Shawn <office.senatorshawn@guamlegislature.gov>**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

May 15, 2025

MEMORANDUM**To: All Senators, Stakeholders, Media****From: Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada****Re: FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing: May 22, 2025**

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PUBLIC HEARING

 **Posted on:** 05/15/2025 02:00 PM

 **Posted by:** Erin Grajek, Committee Director

 **Public Hearing Date:** 05/22/2025 02:00 PM

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SECOND NOTICE of Public Hearing: May 22, 2025

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada <vicespeakertonyada@guamlegislature.gov> Tue, May 20, 2025 at 8:28 AM
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 20, 2025

MEMORANDUM

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RE: Bill No. 73-38 (COR) – An Act to Authorize the Transfer of the Title of Ownership and Administrative Jurisdiction of Lot 15, Block F, Tract 9 in Barrigada Heights from the Chamorro Land Trust Commission to the Guam Police Department for the Development of a Public Safety.

Dear Vice-Speaker Ada and Committee Members:

Buenas yan Hafa Adai! The Guam Police Department (GPD) submits this testimony to support Bill No. 73-38 (COR) to transfer the ownership and administrative jurisdiction of Lot 15, Block F, Tract 9 in Barrigada Heights from the Chamorro Land Trust Commission to the Guam Police Department for the development of a public safety emergency communications center.

There is a critical need to construct this purpose-built facility in a location that is centralized and in an isolated area which is a strategic combination to ensure security, resilience and effectiveness in emergency response operations.

Imagine a centralized and modernized public safety answering center for receiving, managing and dispatching emergency calls as well as providing office space, a central command post for emergency situations where first responders from police, fire and EMS can be quickly and accurately deployed to incidents and situations. A central, secured location for communication equipment and assets that can be accessed for immediate deployment. A single place where first responders communicate during special operations and emergency situations for the safety and security of our island residents and visitors. A place that is owned by the Government of Guam.

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The Emergency Communications Center is a 24/7, 365 days a year operation that requires a positive working environment, updated equipment and trained personnel. With two agencies overseeing the dispatching of fire, EMS and law enforcement, it is imperative that the Guam Fire Department 911 dispatchers and the GPD Tactical Communications Center (TCC) dispatchers are co-located to create a functional and operationally effective hub. By doing so, minutes are spared in transferring calls where a minute can be the factor between life and death situations.

Past facilities where 911 and police dispatch were either located together or separate were small or leased facilities. For the GPD TCC, it has moved several times over the past 20 years being located at the former Hagatna Precinct, the GPD Headquarters at Pedro's Plaza to the building that is now known as SIFA to its current location at Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense.

Those facilities where we operated were not designed to function as a communications center, which at times resulted in cramped conditions and a lack of organization in the workspace. In our most recent location, we have had to relocate several times in the past 2 years to our Continuity of Operations Planning or COOP site due to the lack of reliable backup power, inoperable elevator, plumbing issues and a problematic HVAC system, to list a few. These conditions made the workplace's temperature and comfort level inconsistent, creating a less-than-ideal working environment for our employees.

In addition, GPD is currently working on upgrading the Land Mobile Radio (LMR) Communications System which will advance our radio communication to digital technology providing better coverage and services for our public safety community. It is crucial that the location of our dispatch center has robust and reliable infrastructure in order to support the new system and the equipment that supports it.

This Bill authorizes the transfer of ownership and administrative jurisdiction of the land located in Barrigada Heights. We identified this piece of property due to the fact that there is existing infrastructure in the vicinity such as power, water and fiber. The location of the property is also away from specific hazard zones, specifically a flood zone.

Once the land transfer is approved, the next steps will be for public safety to work collaboratively with all parties involved to identify funds to build this very important facility. At this stage, we are unable to provide an exact cost for building the emergency communications center. However, we do know that for a comparable project, a 6,500 square foot precinct is costing approximately \$6.5 million. While the project is considered "brick and mortar" aimed to build an emergency communications center, it is more so about constructing a structure that will assist public safety in protecting lives, enhancing emergency response capabilities and investing in a safer future for our island residents and visitors.

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As we move forward to accomplish the transfer of land and to build a state-of-the-art emergency communications center, GPD will work in partnership with the Guam Fire Department, other public safety entities, and our government leaders so that all the necessary components are included in this project. The endeavor envisions a successful and efficient emergency communications center (ECC), with these components:

1. Dispatch Calling Center for Fire, EMS and Law Enforcement
2. Command Post or Situation Room
3. Office Space
4. Employee facilities such as bunk rooms, locker/restroom facilities, kitchen facilities
5. Storage space for communication equipment
6. Enclosed and secure parking for communications vehicles
7. Secured access to the building
8. Future back up site of the Land Mobile Radio System

In closing, the acquisition of this land marks a crucial first step toward achieving our goal of building the emergency communications center. This initial milestone sets the foundation for the development process, moving us closer to setting a new standard for public safety - one that ensures our emergency services are equipped, empowered and ready to serve with excellence.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony. *Si Yu'os ma'ase!*

Respectfully submitted,


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AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF THE TITLE OF OWNERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF LOT 15, BLOCK F, TRACT 9 IN BARRIGADA HEIGHTS FROM THE CHAMORRO LAND TRUST COMMISSION TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.

Buenas yan Håfa Adai!

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to express support for Bill No. 73-38 (COR), which proposes the transfer of land to the Guam Police Department (GPD) for the establishment of a Public Safety Emergency Communications Center. This initiative is a critical step toward enhancing the coordination, infrastructure, and operational effectiveness of Guam's public safety and emergency response services.

As you are aware, Guam law currently designates the Guam Fire Department (GFD) as the lead agency for the Enhanced 911 (E911) Emergency Reporting System. Specifically, 10 GCA § 79102 (a) states:

"The Guam Fire Department shall be the lead agency to establish, operate, maintain, and control the Enhanced 911 (E911) Emergency Reporting System."

Given GFD's statutory responsibility and operational expertise in managing E911 services, it is essential that GFD be formally included in the planning, development, and operation of the proposed Public Safety Emergency Communications Center. This inclusion will ensure that both GPD and GFD continue their vital partnership, while also safeguarding the continuity, efficiency, and legal compliance of our emergency response systems.

We respectfully request that language and that joint ownership be incorporated into Bill No. 73-38 (COR) to reflect the collaborative nature of this endeavor and to formally recognize the role of the Guam Fire Department in any related operations, infrastructure planning, and interagency coordination. Doing so will prevent jurisdictional ambiguities and help solidify a unified approach to public safety communications for the island.

We appreciate your leadership in advancing this important legislation and your commitment to strengthening Guam's emergency response capabilities. Should you or your staff have any questions or require additional input, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Additionally, if you have any specific concerns or need further assistance, please feel free to contact me at 642-3454.

Respectfully,



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LEGISLATIVE TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF BILL NO. 73-38 (COR)
Transfer of the Title of Ownership and Administrative Jurisdiction of Lot 15,
Block F, Tract 9, In Barrigada Heights from the Chamorro Land Trust
Commission to the Guam Police Department

Håfa Adai, Honorable Chairman Ada and distinguished members of the Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure:

My name is Lucia Perez, in my role as the lead Emergency Support Function (ESF) 2 – Communications within the Offices of Homeland Security and Civil Defense, I respectfully submit this testimony in strong support of Bill No. 73-38 (COR)—legislation that initiates a vital first step in advancing Guam's emergency response capabilities by transferring the title of ownership and administrative jurisdiction of Lot 15, Block F, Tract 9 in Barrigada Heights from the Chamorro Land Trust Commission to the Guam Police Department (GPD) as introduced by Senator Eulogio Gumataotao.

This legislation is more than a land transfer—it is a strategic investment in the security and resilience of the people of Guam. By granting GPD jurisdiction and ownership of this parcel, we lay the foundation for creating a forward-looking Guam Public Safety Communications Center. This community-centered, resilient facility will unite police dispatch, fire, and EMS coordination, and enhanced 911 services (NG911) under one roof. This center will not only transform how we respond to emergencies. Still, it will also stand as a symbol of our island's commitment to protecting every life, every neighborhood, and every generation to come.

A Vision for Guam's Resilient Future

Imagine a single, fortified structure in Barrigada Heights, designed to operate autonomously in the face of typhoons, earthquakes, cyberattacks, or prolonged power outages. The Guam Public Safety Communications Center will be that facility—a beacon of public safety operations with:

Self-sustaining utilities: Independent power and water systems enabling up to 14 days of continuous, off-grid operation, even in catastrophic conditions.

Hardened design: Built to withstand Category 5 storms and seismic events, ensuring Guam's emergency response never loses its voice.

Unified Dispatch Operations: Bringing GPD, GFD, and NG911 services into a single, integrated dispatch center will foster seamless communication and ensure faster, more efficient coordination across all emergency response agencies—delivering the right help to the right place, at the right time.

Cyber-secure and interoperable systems: Seamless data and voice communication with local, federal, and military partners, especially during high-threat scenarios.

Space for growth: Scalable design to adapt to emerging technologies, regional mutual aid, and evolving homeland security missions.

This facility will serve as the operational nerve center during a crisis and symbolize our commitment to public trust, safety, and readiness. The proposed site in Barrigada Heights is ideal due to its elevation and existing infrastructure.

Learning from the Past, Preparing for the Future

The need for this center is not hypothetical. During Typhoon Mawar in 2023, our dispatch centers operated under extreme conditions, with limited redundancy, inadequate backup systems, and strained inter-agency coordination. Likewise, the evolving threat landscape, including cyberattacks like Volt Typhoon, highlights the vulnerability of outdated, disconnected infrastructure.

Bill No. 73-38 (COR) addresses these issues at their root by enabling the construction of a mission-critical facility that protects lives, data, and vital services.

From Vision to Reality: It Begins with This Bill

Passing Bill No. 73-38 (COR) is not a request for construction dollars or budget appropriations—it is a decisive, foundational act that unlocks the future of public safety on our island. This measure transfers a parcel of land to the Guam Police Department. It opens the door to transformational change: enabling strategic planning, interagency coordination, federal funding alignment, and ultimately, the construction of a facility that will serve as the communications lifeline for our people.

Your vote will set in motion the creation of a center that embodies resilience and unity—where emergency calls are received and lives are saved, dispatchers have the tools to act quickly and accurately, and first responders are backed by a communications infrastructure they can rely on, even in Guam’s most difficult hours.

Imagine a single, secure location—built to withstand storms, power outages, and cyber threats—where police, fire, EMS, and 911 services work side-by-side, sharing real-time information and deploying resources in perfect coordination. Imagine knowing that no matter where an emergency occurs—from Dededo to Malesso’, on land or sea—Guam’s response will be swift, seamless, and strong.

By supporting this bill, you are not just authorizing a land transfer but making a legacy decision. You place public safety above politics, preparation above reaction, and resilience above risk. You affirm to every family on this island that their lives matter, their safety is a priority, and their government is ready.

The Guam Public Safety Communications Center is more than a building. It is a promise—to protect, to respond, and to endure. That promise begins today with your leadership and support for Bill No. 73-38 (COR).

Si Yu'os Ma'ase' for your vision, courage, and unwavering commitment to Guam's people.

Respectfully Submitted



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Håfa Adai Honorable Chairman Ada and distinguished members of the Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure:

My name is Esther J. C. Aguigui, and I serve as the Homeland Security Advisor to the Governor of Guam and Acting Administrator of the Office of Civil Defense. I appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony in strong support of Bill No. 73-38 (COR), introduced by Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao.

Purpose of Support

This bill proposes to authorize the transfer of ownership and administrative jurisdiction of Lot 15, Block F, Tract 9 in Barrigada Heights from the Chamorro Land Trust Commission to the Guam Police Department for the development of a Public Safety Emergency Communications Center. As the territory's primary agency responsible for coordinating emergency management and homeland security efforts, our office strongly supports this legislation.

Critical Infrastructure Needs and Technical Requirements

From my daily oversight of emergency operations, I can attest that our current emergency communications infrastructure faces significant technological and operational challenges. The existing system operates on aging Land Mobile Radio technology that requires immediate modernization to meet 21st-century emergency response demands.

A modern Public Safety Emergency Communications Center requires specialized infrastructure including:

- Advanced radio communications equipment with full island coverage capability
- Redundant power systems and backup generators for continuous operation during disasters
- Hardened facilities capable of withstanding typhoons and other natural disasters
- Multi-agency dispatch capabilities with integrated computer-aided dispatch (CAD) systems
- Emergency alert and warning systems compatible with federal emergency notification protocols
- Secure communications networks for law enforcement and homeland security operations

The proposed Barrigada Heights location offers optimal radio frequency propagation characteristics for island-wide coverage, essential for effective emergency communications during critical incidents.

Lessons from Past Emergency Responses

During recent emergency responses, including Typhoon Mawar in May 2023 and various public safety incidents, our current fragmented communications system has presented operational challenges. For example:

Typhoon Mawar Response (May 2023): Our emergency responders faced communication gaps during the storm's aftermath when primary communication towers were damaged. A centralized, hardened communications facility would have provided better continuity of operations and faster coordination of recovery efforts.¹

Multi-Agency Incidents: During complex emergencies requiring coordination between Guam Police Department, Guam Fire Department, Office of Civil Defense, Port Authority of Guam, Guam International Airport, Guam Customs and Quarantine, Guam National Guard, federal agencies, and military partners, we have experienced delays due to incompatible radio systems and the lack of a unified command center. These delays directly impact response times and can affect public safety outcomes.

Search and Rescue Operations: Island-wide search and rescue missions have been hampered by communication dead zones, particularly in remote areas of the island. Enhanced radio infrastructure from a properly positioned communications center would significantly improve coverage and coordination capabilities.

Enhanced Civil Defense Operations

As Acting Administrator of Civil Defense, I can speak directly to how this facility will transform our emergency management capabilities:

Warning Systems: The new center will house upgraded emergency alert and warning systems, enabling faster and more comprehensive notifications to the public during tsunamis, typhoons, and other threats. Current warning capabilities are limited by outdated equipment and infrastructure.

Emergency Coordination: During activations of the Emergency Operations Center, seamless communication with field responders is critical. The proposed facility will provide dedicated circuits and backup communications that are essential during extended emergency operations.

Multi-Hazard Response: Guam faces diverse threats including typhoons, tsunamis, earthquakes, and security concerns. A modern communications center will enable rapid transitions between different types of emergency responses and ensure continuity of operations regardless of the threat.

Village Mayor Coordination: The facility will significantly enhance our coordination with Guam's 19 village mayors during emergency operations. Village mayors serve as critical local emergency coordinators, and improved communications will enable real-time coordination of village-level response efforts, evacuation procedures, and resource distribution. The center will provide direct

communication links to village command posts and improve our ability to gather field intelligence from local officials who know their communities best.

Federal Coordination: The facility will enhance our ability to coordinate with federal agencies, including FEMA, the U.S. Coast Guard, and Department of Defense partners during joint operations and federal disaster declarations.

Interagency Coordination Benefits

The proposed communications center addresses critical interoperability gaps that currently limit our emergency response effectiveness:

Unified Command Structure: The facility will enable true unified command during major incidents, allowing multiple agencies to coordinate from a single location with shared communications resources.

Local Emergency Management: The communications center will strengthen our partnership with the 19 village mayors who serve as local emergency coordinators in their respective communities. Enhanced communications will enable better coordination of village-level emergency response, more effective evacuation procedures, and improved distribution of emergency supplies and information to residents.

Resource Deployment: Real-time tracking and deployment of emergency resources across the island will be significantly improved through integrated dispatch systems.

Information Sharing: Secure information sharing between law enforcement, fire services, emergency management, and homeland security will be enhanced through dedicated networks and protocols.

Training and Preparedness: The facility will serve as a hub for regular multi-agency training exercises, improving our collective preparedness for various emergency scenarios.

Strategic and Operational Advantages

The Barrigada Heights location provides several strategic benefits:

Geographic Position: The elevation and central location optimize radio coverage across the entire island, including previously challenging areas in the northern and southern regions.

Infrastructure Access: The site provides access to reliable power, telecommunications, and transportation networks essential for 24/7 operations.

Security Considerations: The location allows for appropriate physical security measures while maintaining accessibility for emergency responders and supporting agencies.

Expansion Potential: The approximately 10,000 square meter lot provides sufficient space for initial construction and future expansion as technology and operational needs evolve.

Long-Term Public Safety Investment

This legislation represents more than a land transfer—it establishes the foundation for a generational investment in public safety infrastructure. The benefits include:

Economic Efficiency: Government ownership eliminates ongoing lease costs and provides long-term stability for this critical infrastructure investment.

Technological Advancement: A purpose-built facility will accommodate emerging technologies including Next Generation 911 systems, advanced mapping capabilities, and integration with federal emergency management systems.

Community Resilience: Enhanced emergency communications directly translate to improved community resilience and faster recovery from disasters and emergencies.

Community-Level Response: Enhanced emergency communications will improve coordination with our 19 village mayors, enabling more effective grassroots emergency response and ensuring that local community needs are rapidly communicated to emergency management officials.

Regional Cooperation: The facility will support regional emergency management cooperation with other Pacific territories and neighboring nations.

Alignment with Strategic Plans

This initiative directly supports multiple strategic planning documents:

Guam's 5-Year Consolidated Plan for 2025-2029: This federally-required HUD planning document, currently under development by the Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority (GHURA), establishes priorities for federal housing and community development funding.² The Consolidated Plan identifies infrastructure needs and public safety improvements as key priorities for federal investment. A modern emergency communications center directly supports these community development goals by enhancing public safety infrastructure that protects residents and strengthens community resilience.

The Guam Hazard Mitigation Plan (2024): Recently adopted by Governor Lou Leon Guerrero in July 2024 and approved by FEMA, this comprehensive plan identifies Guam's vulnerabilities to natural, technological, and human-made disasters.³ The plan emphasizes the critical need for robust emergency communications systems to coordinate multi-agency response efforts during typhoons, tsunamis, earthquakes, and other hazards. The proposed communications center directly addresses mitigation strategies outlined in the plan for improving emergency response capabilities and reducing disaster impacts on our community.

Department of Homeland Security Strategic Priorities: DHS's FY2023-2027 Strategic Plan emphasizes enhancing critical infrastructure security and resilience, particularly in the Pacific region where Guam serves as a strategic hub.⁴ Current priorities include strengthening emergency communications interoperability, building resilient infrastructure, and supporting territories' homeland security capabilities. The proposed communications center aligns with DHS objectives for improving

Pacific region emergency preparedness and enhancing coordination between federal, territorial, and local agencies.

Federal Emergency Communications Interoperability Requirements: The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency's (CISA) SAFECOM program establishes national standards for emergency communications interoperability.⁵ These requirements, outlined in the National Emergency Communications Plan and SAFECOM guidance documents, mandate that federal funding recipients implement systems that enable seamless communication across jurisdictions and disciplines. The proposed center will ensure Guam's compliance with Project 25 (P25) standards, SAFECOM Interoperability Continuum requirements, and federal interoperability mandates that are essential for receiving ongoing federal emergency communications grants.

Conclusion

Bill No. 73-38 (COR) addresses a critical infrastructure gap that has persisted for too long. From my perspective overseeing both homeland security and emergency management operations, I cannot overstate the importance of this legislation to the safety and security of our island community.

The current emergency communications challenges we face are not merely inconveniences—they represent genuine risks to public safety that this proposed facility will directly address. Every day we delay this important infrastructure development is another day our first responders and emergency managers operate at a disadvantage.

The proposed land transfer is the essential first step toward establishing a modern, resilient emergency communications capability that will serve Guam well into the future. This investment in our emergency infrastructure will pay dividends in lives saved, property protected, and community resilience enhanced.

I learned an important lesson many years ago during my early career in emergency management: where you stand depends on where you sit. When I worked in field operations, I focused on immediate response needs and equipment functionality. When I moved into planning roles, I began to see the bigger picture of coordinated response and resource allocation. Now, sitting in the dual role of Homeland Security Advisor and Acting Civil Defense Administrator, I have a unique perspective that encompasses both daily operational challenges and long-term strategic planning needs. From this vantage point, I can clearly see how the fragmented nature of our current emergency communications system creates unnecessary risks and inefficiencies that could be resolved through the establishment of this centralized facility. This perspective allows me to advocate not just for what we need today, but for what our island community will need to remain safe and resilient for decades to come.

On behalf of Guam Office of Homeland Security and the Office of Civil Defense, I strongly urge this committee to support Bill No. 73-38 (COR) and advance this critical public safety initiative.

Si Yu'os Ma'āse' for the opportunity to provide this testimony and for your continued support of emergency management and homeland security priorities.

Respectfully submitted,



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Re: Testimony on Bill 73-38 (COR), 38th Guam Legislature
*An Act to Authorize the Transfer of the Title of Ownership and Administrative Jurisdiction
Of Lot 15, Block F, Tract 9 In Barrigada Heights from the Chamorro Land Trust Commission
To the Guam Police Department for the Development of a Public Safety Emergency
Communications Center*

Hafa Adai Honorable Senator Gumataotao and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on behalf of the myself, Vice-Mayor Jessie Bautista and members of the Barrigada Municipal Planning Council relative to this proposed measure.

From our perspective, legislative approval of Bill 73-38 (COR) would be beneficial to our community in many ways:

1. Transfer of this lot, would open the doorway for creation of a permanent home to accommodate island wide, public safety communications equipment and response services for our Guam Police Department, which do not presently exist;
2. Construction of a permanent GPD communications center on such lot, would provide centralized public services and therewith, enhance department responsiveness to island wide needs; and lastly,
3. Lot number 15, Block F, Tract 9 -- Bill Number 73-38 (COR) subject lot, is within geographic proximity to telecommunications facilities and other needed aerial networks needed to support communication needs, ie; antennas and successful network operations.

In closing, our Council fully supports legislative adoption of Bill Number 73-38 (COR) in the interest of enhancing the Guam Police Department's operating network not only for residents of Barrigada, but for the people of Guam.

Sincerely,


JUNE U. BLAS
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CC: Honorable Senators of the 38th Guam Legislature

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Re: Bill No. 73-38 (COR)

Hafa Adai Vice Speaker Ada:

The Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority respectfully submits the following commentary concerning Bill No. 73-38 (COR) concerning the transfer of land to support the Guam Police Department's future development of a Public Safety Emergency Communications Center.

Concerning the sentence referencing GHURA in Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent (lines 8-11), we wish to offer this additional context.

GHURA is presently in the process of composing Guam's 5-Year Consolidated Plan for 2025-2029. This document is a requirement for grantee recipients of entitlement funds made available to Guam from the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD). Nationally and locally, HUD CPD funds are intended to address the needs of low and moderate income people and communities. The purpose of the Consolidated Plan is for GHURA to assess the housing, community and economic development needs of the island in order to plan for the strategic use of HUD CPD funds.

We recognize and support GPD in its efforts to improve and expand needed facilities. Indeed, over the past twenty years, GHURA has been able to deploy CPD funds through the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) in support of low/mod communities served by GPD through the construction of three of their four police precincts. Key to our ability to do so has been the population data on low/mod areas collected in Guam's Decennial Census' in 2000 and 2010. The 2020 Decennial Census marked a significant change in the data concerning low/mod areas and the overall determination of Guam as a low/mod (island) community overall.



While we continue to fully support the mission of objectives of the Guam Police Department, current Census information does not support the use of HUD CPD funds for the development of a public safety emergency communications center at this time.

Census 2020 will impact the type of projects GHURA may engage in for at least the next ten years. In reading Bill 73-38, we are immensely encouraged to read that the Guam Economic Development Authority has agreed to assist GPD to identify a funding source for the construction of the planned Guam Public Safety Communications Center. Improvements to Guam's communication systems for public safety and law enforcement is both necessary and reasonable.

Thank you and the Committee for your efforts to support the development of safe and healthy communities through the effective utilization of our limited land resources.

Sincerely,

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RE: Bill No. 73-38 (COR) –AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF THE TITLE OF OWNERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF LOT 15, BLOCK F, TRACT 9 IN BARRIGADA HEIGHTS FROM THE CHAMORRO LAND TRUST COMMISSION TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.

Dear Vice-Speaker Ada,

Hafa Adai!

GEDA submits this testimony in support of Bill 73-38. A Public Safety Emergency Communications Center is an essential facility especially during these times. While we note that the property may be under the jurisdiction of the CHamoru Land Trust Commission, it is GEDA's position that the Center is a facility that will serve the entire Guam community and therefore in the public's best interest.

Upon approval from the Legislature and a funding source identified, GEDA will certainly assist with either a bond or another lowest cost financing to support the Center's construction. *Si Yu'os Ma'ase* for the opportunity to provide testimony and we hope the Committee will garner strong support for the passage of Bill 73-38.

Put Respetu,

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SUBJECT: TESTIMONY – BILL NO. 73-38 (COR)

Hafa Adai Vice Speaker Ada!

At this time, the CHamoru Land Trust Commission (CLTC) will not provide a testimony on Bill No. 73-38 (COR). The CLTC board has yet to have the opportunity to review and discuss it collectively. I will place Bill 73-38 (COR) on the board agenda for June 19, 2025. Immediately after, CLTC will formally provide a written testimony for Bill 73-38 (COR).

If you should have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (671) 300-3296.

Senseramente,

Arlene P. Bordallo
Chairwoman

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SUBJECT: Testimony – Bill 73-38 (COR)

Dear Vice Speaker Ada,

On June 19, 2025, the CHamoru Land Trust Commission's Board of Commissioners discussed Bill 73-38(COR). The Commissioners motioned and unanimously voted to inform Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao and yourself our Oversight Chairman "that CLTC will be identifying alternative lots that will be suitable for GPD's needs while also fulfilling the CLTC mandates."

Senseramente,

Arlene P. Bordallo
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CHamoru Land Trust Commission Regular Board Meeting **Thursday, June 19, 2025 at 1:00PM**

MOTION SUMMARY

I. Call to Order at 1:17 PM

Present: Chairperson A. Bordallo, Commissioner E. Garrido, Commissioner F.C. Respicio, Commissioner J.J.Rojas, Commissioner J.A.Cameron (google meeting)
Acting Administrative Director J. Cruz, CLTC, Staff

II. Approval of Minutes:

- a. May 08, 2025 (Regular Board Meeting)
Commissioner F. Respicio motioned to approve.
Commissioner J. Rojas seconded the motion
PASSED: Unanimously
- b. May 22, 2025 (Regular Board Meeting)
Commissioner J. Cameron motioned to approve the minute subject to corrections.
Commissioner F. Respicio seconded the motion
PASSED: Unanimously

III. Administrative Director's Report by AAD J.B. Cruz

- a. **CLTC Invitation and Procurement Update**
CLTC's invitation for office space was cancelled due to increased needs. They are working on updated specifications and plan to publish another IFB with GSA in October 2025, with the procurement system reopening at that time.
- b. **CLTC TAP Grant and IT Infrastructure**
CLTC will request a one-year no-cost extension for their CLTC TAP Grant from the office of initiative affairs. The grant funds will be used to upgrade IT infrastructure, including scanning and digitizing documents and creating a user software for constituents to access their information.
- c. **Consideration of Subcommittees**
AAD J.B. Cruz proposed the creation of subcommittees such as commercial, financial, agricultural/residential, and compliance to assist board members' understanding and streamline decision making. The board was asked to consider this proposal for future action.
- d. **RESIDENTIAL / AGRICULTURE**
 1. The publication of the next twenty-five (25) in line for a lease award has been delayed due to a concern CLTC has on one of the applicants. AAD J.B. Cruz will be meeting with Attorney Miller (OAD) to discuss and determine the legal way forward.
 2. FY2025 Nine Million Dollar Appropriation
 - a) DLM - CLTC emailed the draft MOA between CLTC and DLM (Department of Land Management) to Mr. Joseph M. Borja. A

meeting has been scheduled next week with Mr. J.M. Borja and AAD J.B. Cruz on June 24, 2025, to discuss the draft MOA.

- b) GPA – Mr. Vince Sablan and Josie Aguon met with CLTC staff and AAD J.B. Cruz to discuss projects and estimated expenses. A revised cost estimate was sent in today. Next week, Ms. Josie Aguon and AAD J.B. Cruz will meet to continue their conversation.
- c) GWA – A meeting with AAD J.B. Cruz was requested by email to Mr. Bordallo. AAD J.B. Cruz expects to meet with Mr. Bordallo next week, although he is currently on leave.
- d) DPW – The DPW Permit Administrator and AAD J.B. Cruz will meet to talk about any permits that CLTC could need in order to remove the easements.

e. **COMMERCIAL**

A meeting was held on June 12, 2025 with the Deputy Attorney General Miller, Attorney Martinez, legal counsel for TATA Communication, and Mr. Lang to discuss the issue of the unauthorized use of submerged lands in Piti. An updated report will be provided in the next meeting.

IV. Old Business:

a. **GPA (Guam Power Authority)**

Ms. Josie Aguon from the Guam Power Authority presented a revised request for a GPA easement, explaining the need due to safety concerns and the desire to improve the existing situation.

Commissioner J. Rojas: I make a motion to rescind our previous motion and approve the GPA easement request labeled in exhibit "1" to also take into consideration the expansion to 40 feet as mentioned by Commissioner Respicio.

Commissioner J. Cameron: I second the motion.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried.

b. **Constituent Matters**

1. **Jose C. Munoz**

AAD J.B. Cruz discussed the issue with the loan of Jose Castro Munoz, for whom Ms. Carmen Meno was named successor. The loan was foreclosed, and Ms. Carmen Meno had not complied with the board's request to seek pre-approval for a home loan with the Guam Housing Corporation. AAD J.B. Cruz requested the board to rescind its conditional approval of Ms. Carmen Meno as the name successor.

Commissioner J. Rojas: I make a motion to rescind the May 8, 2025 request to name Carmen Meno the successor to Jose Castro Munoz's agriculture lease agreement.

Commissioner F. Respicio: I second.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried.

2. Bryan Ross Evangelista Mendiola

AAD J.B. Cruz reported on the loan default of Mr. Mendiola, noting that he had not made payments and had not responded to attempts to contact him. AAD J.B. Cruz requested the board's approval to proceed with actions to address the default, in accordance with Chapter 75A, which involves offering the opportunity to assume the loan to the next qualified applicant. AAD J.B. Cruz requested approval to bring the loan current by pay \$5,932.52 and to commence the loan default remedy process. The board discussed the implication and the responsibilities of the lender and guarantor. The board agreed to table the item to allow Attorney Miller to examine the entire situation.

Commissioner J. Rojas: I make a motion to table this subject until further legal review.

Commissioner J. Cameron: I second the motion.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried.

3. Teresita B. Taitingfong

CLTC staff Glenn Eay introduced Mrs. Teresita Taitingfong, the successor of her late husband's (Joseph Taitingfong) lease, who requested to 1-decrease the 5-acre lease to a half-acre, 2- survey the ½ acre property, 3- waiving of tax year 2025 and 4-acceptance of current building structure.

AAD J.B. Cruz explained that Public Law 37-131 allowed addressing leases executed contrary to law, leading to a compliance inspection on the property that Mrs. Taitingfong is currently residing and a Notice to Remediate was issued to Mrs. Taitingfong. Mrs. Taitingfong decided to reduce her acreage to half an acre to better manage the land and comply with requirements.

Commissioner J. Rojas: I would like to make a motion to address item number two (2) and make the decrease subject to the lessee paying for the survey of the property, and also address item number four (4) to accept the current building structure, but based only on our lease requirements and not pertaining to any issues with permitting or building code.

Commissioner E. Garrido: I second.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried.

c. **Lot 10122-15 Dededo**

AAD J.B. Cruz requested that the board table an item concerning the validity of an authorization to occupy unit Attorney Miller could be present to explain the legal aspects, as they had met with the lead counsel for the Guam Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Commissioner J. Rojas: I make a motion to table item C. Lot 10122-5, subject to discussions with legal counsel.

Commissioner E. Garrido: I second.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried.

V. **New Business:**

a. **Board Meeting Time Limit**

AAD J.B. Cruz addressed a request to adjust the board meeting time, from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. or anytime 5:00 p.m. on. AAD J.B. Cruz noted the current requirement in Chapter 75A subsection 75A 102C for the commission to meet on the third Thursday of every month at 1 p.m. and recommended continuing to follow the existing law, considering staff lunch schedules.

Commissioner J. Rojas: I make a motion to continue to follow the item C in Chapter 75A CHamoru Land Trust Commission effective January 1, 2021, requiring that the commission meet regularly every Thursday of every month at 1 p.m. or more often as determined by the chairperson of the commission.

Commissioner E. Garrido: I second.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried

b. Constituent Matters

1. Carmen Artero Kasperbauer

Mrs. Kasperbauer is requesting to lease 14,230 square meters (3.58 acres) that she had surveyed. Identified as Lot 10, for agricultural use, and to proceed with the legislative and normal processes.

Commissioner F. Respicio: I make a motion to accept the request as presented to grant Mrs. Kasperbauer's request to lease the 14,230 square meters that she has already surveyed and to proceed with the agricultural lease award for Lot 10129-R10 and the legislative process and the normal processes shall follow.

Commissioner J. Rojas: I second.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried

RECESS: 3:24 p.m.

Commissioner F. Respicio motioned for 5-minute recess.

Commissioner E. Garrido second the motion

RESUMED: 3:42 p.m.

2. Karen Kasperbauer Perez

Ms. Karen K. Perez joined in the meeting via google meet. Ms. Perez requested that her agenda item be tabled. She is currently off- island and prefers to be physically present for the meeting.

Commissioner J. Rojas: I make a motion to table as requested by Karen Kasperbauer Perez.

Commissioner E. Garrido: I second.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried

3. Nannette Marie Palomo

Mrs. Nennette Palomo decline three (3) separate lease award offers from CLTC. First Decline – Residential Lease located on Lot 3, Block 20, Tract 9210, Yigo. Second Decline – An

agricultural lease located on a portion of Lot 5401-1 in the municipality of Mangilao. Third Decline – Lot 5401-1, Municipality of Mangilao and Tract 9210, Block 20, Lot 3 Yigo. After declining a third award, an applicant's name shall be removed from the waiting list in accordance 18 GARR § 6A110.

Commissioner J. Rojas: I make a motion to remove applicant Nannette Marie Palomo from the application waiting list.

Commissioner E. Garrido: I second the motion.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried

c. Termination of Application

AAD J.B. Cruz requested the board's approval to accept the termination of applications as listed from item number 1 to item number 10 and item number 12 to item number 15.

Commissioner F. Respicio: I motion under Letter D, termination of application for persons number listed as number 1 through 10, and persons listed as number 12 to 15.

Commissioner E. Garrido: Second.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried

d. Bill No. 6-38(COR)

AAD J.B. Cruz briefly addressed Bill 6-38(COR), which transfers Lot 163 to the Special Olympics Guam, noting that the governor had already enacted it into law. No. discussion was needed.

e. Bill No. 41-38(COR)

AAD J.B. Cruz recused himself from presenting or discussing due to a conflict of interest, as relatives are named in the bill, which concerns the transfer of several lots to the Guam Ancestral Lands Commission. Mr. Glenn Eay provided information regarding the history of Lot 710, state it was originally crown property acquired by the government of Spain and later the U.S., not through eminent domain.

Commissioner E. Garrido: I like make a motion that we table this to get more research done on this before we put into action.

Commissioner J. Rojas: I second it.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried

f. **Bill No. 51-38(COR)**

AAD J.B. Cruz introduced Bill 5138, which proposes transferring administrative jurisdiction of lot 7054-1, municipality of Yigo from the CHamoru Land Trust to the Guam Police Department (GPD) for a police precinct.

Commissioner F. Respicio: I make a motion to support the intention of Bill No. 51-38(COR) with the following amendments to include a revisionary clause stating that if the Guam Police Department does not construct a police precinct within five (5) years, that the land shall be returned back to CLTC. Also to restrict the use of the property specifically to build a police precinct in section two (2) line item 18.

Commissioner E. Garrido: I second.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried

g. **Bill No. 73-38(COR)**

AAD J.B. Cruz presented Bill 73-38, aiming to transfer ownership and jurisdiction of Lot 15, Block F, Tract 9 in Barrigada Heights from the CHamoru Land Trust Commission to GPD for a public safety emergency communication center. AAD J.B. Cruz informed the board that a quick assessment revealed CLTC issued more land area in the Barrigada Heights parcels than available, potentially affecting the availability of this specific lot. Charlene Mayo suggested allowing the acting director to identify other available parcels suitable for GPD's needs.

Commissioner F. Respicio: I make a motion that the acting administrative director send a letter to the Vice Speaker Ada who is our oversight chair, to the author of this bill to inform that CLTC will be identifying alternative lots that will be suitable for GPD's needs while also fulfilling the CLTC mandates.

Commissioner E. Garrido: I second it.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried

h. **Bill No. 135-38 (COR)**

AAD J.B. Cruz initiated a discussion on Bill 135-38, which aims to amend the CLTC lease agreement with Guam International Country Club, Incorporated. AAD J.B. Cruz highlighted several questions and concerns for the board to consider, including relinquishing authority on lease rate determination to a licensed appraiser and addressing the current arrears of GICC.

Commissioner F. Respicio raised concerns about the responsibility for the maintenance and renovation of the clubhouse, suggesting that the new corporation should fund these to CLTC's specifications.

Commissioner F. Respicio: I motion to request to have a work session to address Bill No. 135-38(COR) so that we can craft a board resolution to address this bill. The intent to the extension of the lease term in exchange for allowing the use of the property for the generation, storage and transmission of renewable solar energy. The intent of purpose of that is clear and there is not unsupported. The work session is for the sole purpose of addressing the contends of the bill, not the intent of the purpose of the bill. The date would be the most as soon as possible date as allowable by law.

Commissioner E. Garrido: I second.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried

i. **Bill No. 147-38(COR)**

Bill 147-38, authorizes a \$9 million inter-agency loan from the CHamoru Land Trust Commission to Guam Memorial Hospital for urgent facility and supply needs.

Commissioner F. Respicio: I motion not to recommend that we do not support the intent and the purpose of this Bill No. 147-38(COR).

Commissioner E. Garrido: I second.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor say aye.

All: Aye

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried

VI. ADJOURNMENT: 6:08 PM

Commissioner J. Rojas motioned to adjourned.

Commissioner F. Respicio second the motion.

Chair A. Bordallo: All in favor, say aye.

All: Aye.

Chair A. Bordallo: Motion carried.

Next meeting – Thursday, July 17, 2025, at 1:00PM, CLTC Conference Room

Concurred By:


CLTC Chairperson, Arlene P. Bordallo

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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

I. OVERVIEW

Bill No. 73-38 (COR) was introduced on **March 4, 2025**, by Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao and was subsequently referred to the Committee on Rules to the Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure on **March 14, 2025**.

The Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure convened a public hearing on May 22, 2025, at 2:00 pm at the Public Hearing Room of the Guam Congress Building.

Public Notice Requirements

Public Hearing notices were disseminated via **e-mail** to all senators and all main media broadcasting outlets on **May 15, 2025** (5-Day Notice), and again on **May 20, 2025** (48-Hour Notice).

Senators Present

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada – Committee Chairperson
Senator Eulogio S. Gumataotao – Sponsor
Senator Therese M. Terlaje

Attendees

Stephen C. Ignacio, Chief – Guam Police Department
Esther J.C. Aguigui, Advisor – Guam Homeland Security/Acting Administrator – Office of Civil Defense
Lucia R. Perez, SPC-ESF2 – Cybersecurity/Critical Infrastructure, Office of Homeland Security-Office of Civil Defense
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Written Testimony Provided by

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June U. Blas, Mayor – Municipality of Barrigada
Christina D. Garcia, CEO/Administrator – Guam Economic Development Authority
Elizabeth Napoli, Executive Director – Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority
Arlene P. Bordallo, Chairwoman – Chamorro Land Trust Commission

II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

The **public hearing** was Called-to-Order at **2:04 pm.**

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairman – Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure: Håfa adai and good afternoon, everyone. Thank you for being here at the public hearing for the following bills: Bill No. 41-38 (COR), Bill No. 51-38 (COR) and Bill No. 73-38 (COR).

Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. This public hearing conducted by the Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure is called to order at 2 o'clock PM. Today's date is Thursday, May 22, 2025. Notice of the hearing was disseminated to all local media outlets on May 15, 2025, with the second notice provide on May 20, 2025. Notice of the hearing was also made known on the Guam Legislature's website and the Government of Guam Public Notice Portal.

This afternoon, the committee will hear testimony on the following bills: Bill No. 41-38 (COR) sponsored by Senator Joe S. San Agustin - AN ACT TO ADD A NEW (j) TO § 80105 OF CHAPTER 80, TITLE 21 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO TRANSFERRING LOT NOS. 7100, 7102, 7103 AND 7146 IN JANOM, IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF YIGO, GUAM, TO THE GUAM ANCESTRAL LAND USE COMMISSION.; Bill No. 51-38 (COR) sponsored by Senator Shawn Gumataotao - AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 2 OF PUBLIC LAW 34-61, RELATIVE TO TRANSFERRING THE TITLE OF OWNERSHIP OF LOT NO. 7054-1, MUNICIPALITY OF YIGO, FROM THE CHAMORRO LAND TRUST COMMISSION TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT.; and Bill No. 73-38 (COR), also sponsored by Senator Shawn Gumataotao - AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF THE TITLE OF OWNERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF LOT 15, BLOCK F, TRACT 9 IN BARRIGADA HEIGHTS FROM THE CHAMORRO LAND TRUST COMMISSION TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.

I would like to welcome my colleagues joining us, today. On my right is Senator Shawn Gumataotao to my left. Senator Joe San Agustin and Senator Terlaje, thank you, colleagues, for joining us here, today. Before we begin, I would like to go over the general rules of conduct. Individuals testifying shall first be recognized by the chair before speaking and shall state their name for recordkeeping purposes. Questions and testimony shall be confined to the substance and nature of the agenda. Personal inference as to the character or motive of any senator or individual testifying is not permitted. The chairperson of the committee may order the removal from the hearing of any member of i'liheslaturan Guahan who fails to observe proper decorum pursuant to the 38th Guam Legislature standing rules. Any violation of this rule of conduct will result in the removal from the hearing by the host.

[See testimony proceedings on Bill No. 41-38 (COR)]

[See testimony proceedings on Bill No. 51-38 (COR)]

We'll now proceed to hearing testimony for Bill No. 73-38 (COR). Again, sponsored by Senator Gumataotao. An act to authorize a transfer of title of ownership and administrative jurisdiction of lot 15 block F track 9 in Barrigada Heights from the Chamorro Land Trust Commission to the Guam Police Department for the development of a public safety emergency communications center. All those that will be testifying for this bill, please step forward. Okay, Chief. I'm going to give the author his

opening statement and then from there you can decide if you would like to go first or let the ladies to your left go first.

Senator Eulogio S. Gumataotao, Sponsor: Thank you, Mr. Chair, for this public hearing on Bill 73-38 (COR) and for the opportunity to introduce the measure which transfers unassigned Chamorro Land Trust Commission property in Barrigada Heights to the Guam Police Department for the development of a Guam Police Safety Communications Center. This effort, Mr. Chair, is in collaboration with the Guam Fire Department. I'm not leaving them out, Mr. Chair. According to the Guam Police Department the dispatch center is currently located at the Guam Homeland Security Office of Civil Defense Building in Agaña Heights. Now, prior to its current location, the Guam Police Department, their dispatch center was operated in different locations including the former Pedro's Plaza in Hagåtña and within the former Naval Air Station Hagat facilities, now it's currently at Tiyan, Barrigada. Although the Guam Fire Department invited GPD to collocate its dispatch center with the next generation or NextGen 911 center which is currently situated in a privately-owned property under a three-year rental agreement, the Guam Police believes that it is prudent to delay movement to the NextG 911 facility until upgrades to the obsolete LAN mobile radio communication system were completed. Additionally, GPD remains steadfast in its position that a centralized Guam public safety communication center should be developed on government-owned property. Mr. Chair, Bill 73 is a logical common sense and important step to realize a collective vision for both of these critical public safety agencies that will more than strengthen and modernize Guam's emergency communications capabilities in addition to housing both the GPD dispatch center and GFD's NextGen 911 operations. It is anticipated that a new public safety or a Guam public safety communications center would serve as an alternative facility for emergency response coordination among Guam's local, federal and military partners. Mr. Chair, if approved, Bill 73 provides a strong foundation from which GPD, GFD and relevant local, federal and military public safety and law enforcement agencies may collaborate toward the development, financing and operations of a Guam public safety communication center. With respect to BBMR's comments in the bill's fiscal note concerning financial requirements for such a facility moving forward in his letters to the CLTC dated October 20, 2023 and December 21, 2023 requesting the commission to consider the leasing or transferring the subject lot in Barrigada Heights to GPD for the purpose of building a public safety emergency communication center, police Chief Stephen Ignacio wrote that the GEDA, the Guam Economic Development Authority agreed to assist GPD in identifying a funding source for construction. Chief Ignacio also indicated that GPD would see the assistance and expertise of DPW, the Guam Department of Public Works, relative to design requirement for the communications facility and to join this effort as a member of the construction management team once it has been assembled. I want to thank Police Chief Stephen Ignacio, Fire Chief Daren Burrier, who's hear with us, today, and our friend Barrigada Mayor June Blas for their collective time and effort in moving this matter through the legislative process including a visit to the Barrigada Heights property which we coordinated this past February. This bill, Mr. Chair, is about a future of interoperability. This is the ability of Guam's emergency responds to together communicate among jurisdictions, disciplines and levels of government which is crucial to all first responders in our island. With that, Mr. Chair, I look forward to the testimony today and to continue working with relevant stakeholders on any amendments that may be needed to strengthen bill 73-38. Si yu'os ma'ase, Mr. Chair.

[See written testimony provided by **Esther J.C. Aguigui – Homeland Security Advisor/Acting Administrator, Office of Civil Defense, Government of Guam**]

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Chairman Ada addressed Senator Therese M. Terlaje.

Senator Therese M. Terlaje said it sounds like an important project, but she had some mixed feelings about the testimony because she feels like isn't that the promise we are already making to people. She said that laying out that this is the only way that it's going to get done and like there's nothing that's going to be done in the interim is disturbing but she's going to give them the benefit of the doubt. She said that it seems like Homeland Security and Office of Civil Defense is hinting that there's a bigger plan for all kinds of other things that they don't have in front of them and those are the promises. She commented on this transfer of land being the first step in a promise to the people that we care for them, but she doesn't understand that kind of talk because we should be doing everything in our capability right now. She said she doesn't need to be convinced of how ideal it might be to put everybody in the same facility or to communicate together in an emergency, that it's very much expected and anything less is not. She commented on testimony that this is not a land issue, but it is. She said this is not the bill that says all of these agencies should be put together and should cooperate. The bill says we're going to take the land out of the Chamorro Land Trust and give it to the police to do whatever they decided to do with it. In the intent it says this will help them to collaborate with others but she's saying that if they have a plan and promises of federal funding or some bond that's going to be passed, she would like to see that and to know what the plan is and if it's ideal to be working together, they're not working in the same building. She said both agencies pointed out what she thinks are the problems with the office of civil defense structure in Agana Heights. She said that's where the infrastructure is lacking and asked if there has been any investigation into rebuilding in that location or improving it. She said that she expects that they would lay all out why that's not practical and why everybody wants to be on land that's next to the power and water and cable or internet. She said that's also available at the Agana Heights property. She asked if the property is too small and if not, they can rebuild it. She said her real issue is that they don't have a problem with GPD, GFD getting land, getting a building but she does have problem doing that out of CLTC inventory without them even having the opportunity to be here, without discussing with them. They have total power to license out property for civil purposes that they need because they are building residences. GPD, a precinct, a communication center seems to be completely without their jurisdiction to approve or not a license for 25 years. She said this thing about combining everybody and she thinks maybe that's the bill they should be mandating that for some reason it's not working. If the bill talks about lot 15 and attaches a severance map for lot 16 but lot 15 is also 10,000 square meters and asks if that is correct.

Chief Ignacio said a better reference would be to visualize the Regalu foster home and the water tank, it's that piece of property between the two. He said there is some property next to the water tank but that's not the property, it's the one right next to Regalu.

Senator Terlaje acknowledged his response by mentioning that the water tank was cut out of CLTC 10,000 square foot, lot 16 which is on the map. They cut out 3,000 for the water tank so the rest she thinks continues to remain. That's why she was asking them, but they want lot 15 which is also 10,000 square meters. But one of the testimonies today said this would allow for expansion of all these other facilities, training centers and asked what are their actual requirements for building the communication to house their technology.

Chief Ignacio said this came about when NG911 was being built, any of that new equipment that they were going to need that, they needed the new NG911 system. They were forced to move out because is either GPD moves out and they're going to stay and put in all new equipment. He didn't have a place to go with the size limit. So, they needed to move NG911 because they had a contract signed with a vendor. They put it out for bid and moved into a lease space. He said the next place functions as a real, true emergency communication center but in a leased space. When he finally signed the contract to upgrade the new LAN mobile radio system which is going to cost \$1.5 million, they realized the civil

defense building that served them well for many years was not ideal. They wanted to continue to collocate fire and police because when there's a need for a fireman, there's probably also a need for policemen and vice versa. They've been up at SIFA and then moved to civil defense so that collocation has always worked. When he realized they couldn't move all the old equipment to the new NG911 at DNA building, when he got the cost estimate to move 30 year old pieces of equipment to DNA, it was close to a million dollars and that's not something they have laying around nor does she want to invest a million dollars in really old equipment knowing they are going to purchase a new LAN mobile radio system. He opted to stay there but as they move forward with the new LMR system, the new LAN mobile radio system, they want to make sure that they go back to the collocation of police and fire dispatchers. One of the things concerning him is that he's moving into a leased building. They are going to have renegotiate a lease and his concern is communications is a critical function of public safety and what if the landlord says, "I don't want you guys no more."

Senator Terlaje said she understood the purpose of the bill that we want it to be in a permanent structure that we can develop the safety and everything to do with the structure. Their testimony that they have outlined what they intend to put in there that she's hoping will be incorporated into the bill because the bill right now says they're giving them the land where they get to do whatever they want. She would like to know exactly what they intend to put into their building if given the land. She expects that if they give them land anywhere or if CLTC leases them land for these purposes, then that's the purpose that it's going to be used for. We're not going to go for a bond for who knows what. She wanted to say we're all on the same page, we agree that these are priorities, we agree that communications are a priority. It should be owned by a government building. She said that's why she's sure that was all intended to be and the building in Agana Heights has outgrown its use. She said she thinks there's a little bit of a gap between GPD and fire unless they have any objections to the request that GFD is going to be joint owners. She said perhaps in the end there needs to be one owner and those are the technical things they need to flush out if they're getting any grants to fund any of these things and make sure those requirements are put into whatever they're going to say is the agreement for this property like the minimum requirements of what each must have or doesn't need to have the same thing and to her this is a whole other can of worms if they're going to combine civil defense. She brought up whether the agency is going to use this as a training center. She acknowledged a member of the panel shaking their head, "No," and said they are not going to use it for that and if they aren't going to use it, it seems they should ensure that the Agana Heights, what we're expecting is our central location has been shored up to meet all these specs, that is had infrastructure and working elevators, all it needs to handle emergencies, especially the communications systems, that's always been the goal. She's just saying that it sounds like she just doesn't want to say we have put off this goal because we now need a new building, we may need a new building, but those goals should always try to proceed.

Advisor Aguigui made a point of clarification that the intent was not for Homeland Security to collocate with GPD and GFD. She said her job as Homeland Security Advisor is providing preparedness and to prevent so the vision is a plan and there's a link to all the plans she mentioned. She said the vision as they're planning ahead, they have to be strategic without they plan and with the way their communications system has been working or not working. They're thinking of is this the right chemistry right now so they can look at strategic initiatives, so they have a plan for generations to come.

Senator Terlaje asked if they are collocating with civil defense.

Advisor Aguigui said they are not collocating with them and that they will have their own interoperability communications. They have something in place but could use an upgrade and are getting there with the advancement or the new LMR. They are using equipment they currently have in place to communicate.

Senator Terlaje asked if there has been a study as to whether they could improve that building so that they could collocate.

Advisor Aguigui said there's blueprints for a new civil defense building as the building now is over 40 years old. There's some infrastructure situations that need immediate addressing. The funding appears to be the issue.

Senator Terlaje asked if they are planning to build a new civil defense.

Advisor Aguigui said no, the blueprints were created before she came on board.

Senator Terlaje asked if it was to rebuild or expand.

Advisor Aguigui said it was to expand.

Senator Terlaje asked to see the plans.

Chairman Ada thanked Senator Terlaje and addressed Senator Gumataotao for closing remarks.

Senator Gumataotao said that for the record, he wants to make sure to the committee knows that they did receive testimony from the Guam Economic Development Authority and their full support and would assist in the process. He also references the HAS regarding input from GHURA, they provided testimony that this is right behind what HAS mentioned. He said he appreciates GHURA and Director Elizabeth Napoli for providing input on the measure. He also wanted to recognize Mayor June Blas and Vice Mayor Jesse Bautista and their municipal planning council and their full support of the effort to ensure that from a communications standpoint that their village and municipality stands ready to support the fight. He also wanted Chief Ignacio to say for the record that he is going to work with the Fire Chief and that Fire Chief Burrier would work with Chief Ignacio.

Chief Ignacio and **Chief Burrier** replied that they would.

Senator Gumataotao continued that for many years and people may not recognize that there's an effort that's going to need to happen between the two agencies and he thinks today and the testimony and support of those, it's pretty clear that this is a really big first step to getting this center. He thanked the Chair for holding the hearing again because when it comes to communicating emergency information to and among first responders, interoperability is really a problem. He said that it's not unique to Guam and in some cases emergency responders cannot talk to some parts of their own agencies let alone with agencies in a neighboring village. He said if we don't communicate, it can be catastrophic. He said he believes the bill would be strengthened from testimony brought from everyone in front of them and said he and his colleagues will take all of that into consideration and use the markup process to get the bill on track. He said the bill sends a message that a priority facility needs a process that prioritizes the most important issues facing our people. To do their jobs effectively, public safety responders depend on sophisticated communication systems to relay mission critical information in real time. They have an emergency operations center which will have its purpose, but they do need an emergency communications center to their job in 2025 and beyond that, they need to build it so they can do their jobs better than they've done in the past and this is the synergy between the two facilities. He thinks there's been a misnomer that the EOC is the communication center for all responses, he said it is not where all of it happens. It happens in the field and says their mayors, policemen and women and firefighters that are out there, and they've seen them in responses. They have done their part, and they need to be able to do a better job finding a place for them to bring those communications facilities in one place and then when they're working on the EOC communications and effort between the two when our people need it the most.

Chairman Ada adjourned the public hearing at 5:37 pm.

The public hearing was adjourned at **5:37 pm.**

III. FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee agrees with the intent of the author on Bill No. 73-38 (COR). The central location and elevation of the subject lot is ideal for an emergency communications center.

Prior to the introduction of this Bill, the Mayor of the village of Barrigada had expressed interest in the subject lot for use a playground. The author of the bill, however, stated that the subject lot can easily accommodate both a communications center and a playground.

Committee further finds that the CLTC voted unanimously to recommend alternative lots in place of the subject lot of this Bill, at the markup meeting the author expressed his desire to move forward with this as introduced since the CLTC had ample time to propose alternate lots. The committee notes, however, that in similar legislation of this type, the authors of those bills have, on occasion, substituted lots named in the bill for alternate lots recommended by the CLTC or other Government of Guam agencies.

The Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks and Infrastructure hereby reports out Bill No. 73-38 (COR) - Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao – “AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 2 OF PUBLIC LAW 34-61, RELATIVE TO TRANSFERRING THE TITLE OF OWNERSHIP OF LOT NO. 7054-1, MUNICIPALITY OF YIGO, FROM THE CHAMORRO LAND TRUST COMMISSION TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT.” with the recommendation **TO REPORT OUT ONLY.**

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

Bill No. 73-38 (COR)

Introduced by:

Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao

**AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF THE
TITLE OF OWNERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE
JURISDICTION OF LOT 15, BLOCK F, TRACT 9 IN
BARRIGADA HEIGHTS FROM THE CHAMORRO LAND
TRUST COMMISSION TO THE GUAM POLICE
DEPARTMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PUBLIC
SAFETY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds

that the Guam Police Department (GPD) has requested approval from the Chamorro
Land Trust Commission (CLTC) to lease or have Lot 15, Block F, Tract 9 in
Barrigada Heights transferred to GPD for a Guam Public Safety Emergency
Communications Center. GPD has confirmed with the Chamorro Land Trust
Commission that there is no recorded lease for Lot 15, Block F, Tract 9 in Barrigada
Heights and that the property is not included in CLTC's lease listing. The Guam
Police Department has also sought assistance from the Guam Housing and Urban
Renewal Authority (GHURA) relative to including a Guam Public Safety
Communications Center in Guam's 5-Year Consolidated Plan for 2025-2029. GPD
informed GHURA that the Guam Economic Development Authority agreed to assist
the agency in identifying a funding source for the construction of a Guam Public
Safety Communications Center.

1 According to the Guam Police Department, the agency's dispatch center is
2 currently located at the Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense building
3 in Agana Heights. Prior to its current location, GPD's dispatch center was operated
4 in different locations including the former Pedro's Plaza in *Hagåtña* and within
5 former Naval Air Station facilities in Tiyan, Barrigada.

6 *I Liheslatura* further finds that although the Guam Fire Department invited
7 GPD to co-locate its dispatch center with the Next Generation (NexGen) 911 Center,
8 which is currently situated on a privately-owned property under a three-year rental
9 agreement, the police department found it was prudent to delay movement to the
10 NexGen 911 facility until upgrades to the agency's obsolete Land Mobile Radio
11 communication system were completed. Additionally, GPD remains steadfast in its
12 position that a centralized Guam Public Safety Communications Center should be
13 developed on government-owned property.

14 It is, therefore, the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to support GPD in its
15 ongoing efforts to secure Government of Guam property for the purpose of
16 developing a Guam Public Safety Communications Center. If approved, this Act
17 provides a strong foundation from which the Guam Police Department, Guam Fire
18 Department, Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense, and relevant local,
19 Federal, and military public safety and law enforcement agencies may collaborate
20 toward the development, financing, and operation of a Guam Public Safety
21 Communications Center.

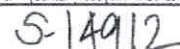
22 **Section 2. Transfer of Title of Ownership and Administrative**
23 **Jurisdiction.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law including, but not limited
24 to, the Government of Guam Reserved Lands List adopted in Public Law 22-18, the
25 Title of Ownership and Administrative Jurisdiction of Lot 15, Block F, Tract 9 in
26 Barrigada Heights, consisting of approximately 10,000 square meters (Lot Parceling
27 Survey Map is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"), is hereby transferred from the

1 Chamorro Land Trust Commission to the Guam Police Department for its use as it
2 so determines including, but not limited to, a Guam Public Safety Communications
3 Center.

4 **Section 3. Exemption.** § 2107 of Chapter 2, Title 2, Guam Code Annotated,
5 and the Standing Rules of *I Mina'trentai Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan* relative to
6 the appraisals of land, shall not apply to this Act.

7 **Section 4. Effective Date.** The provisions of this Act shall be effective upon
8 enactment.

Exhibit "A"





COMMITTEE ON RULES

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairperson

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

38th Guam Legislature

March 20, 2025

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

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

Subject: **Fiscal Note for Bill No. 73-38 (COR)**

Håfa Adai!

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

Bill No. 73-38 (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.



Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Fiscal Note of Bill No. 73-38 (COR)

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF THE TITLE OF OWNERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF LOT 15, BLOCK F, TRACT 9 IN BARRIGADA HEIGHTS FROM THE CHAMORRO LAND TRUST COMMISSION TO THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.

Department/Agency Appropriation Information

Dept./Agency Affected: Guam Police Department	Dept./Agency Head: Stephen C. Ignacio, Chief of Police
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date: P.L. 37-125 (FY 2025 Budget Act) & P.L. 37-135 (FY 2025 Supplemental Appropriations)	\$56,296,229
Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date: Tourist Attraction Fund, Police Services Fund, and Police Patrol Vehicle and Equipment Revolving Fund	\$5,044,139
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	\$61,340,368

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation

	General Fund:	(Specify Special Fund):	Total:
FY 2024 Unreserved Fund Balance		\$0	\$0
FY 2025 Adopted Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2025 Approp. (P.L. 37-125)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sub-total:	\$0	\$0	\$0
Less appropriation in Bill	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total:	\$0	\$0	\$0

Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill

	One Full Fiscal Year	For Remainder of FY 2025 (if applicable)	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
General Fund 1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total 1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

- Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions? / / Yes /X/ No
If Yes, see attachment
- Is amount appropriated adequate to fund the intent of the appropriation? /X/ N/A / / Yes / / No
If no, what is the additional amount required? \$ /X/ N/A
- Does the Bill establish a new program/agency? / / Yes /X/ No
If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies? / / Yes / / No
Is there a federal mandate to establish the program/agency? / / Yes /X/ No
- Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities? / / Yes /X/ No
- Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept./agency? If no, indicate reason: /X/ Yes / / No
/ / Requested agency comments not received by due date / / Other:

Analyst: Joaquin A.J. Guerrero II Date: 3/18/25 Director: Lester L. Carlson, Jr. Date: MAR 20 2025

Comments:

1/ The proposed legislation intends to authorize the transfer of the Title of Ownership and Administrative Jurisdiction of Lot 15, Block F, Tract 9 in Barrigada Heights from the Chamorro Land Trust Commission to the Guam Police Department (GPD) for its use as it so determines including, but not limited to, the development of a Guam Public Safety Communications Center. The Bureau notes that should the GPD opt for the development of a Guam Public Safety Communications Center on the transferred property, there would be a fiscal impact for the costs of developing and constructing the facility. Further, there is no funding source identified for this fiscal impact. Per comments provided from the GPD, a detailed project budget will have to be cooperatively developed in due course through a mutual agreement between the GPD and Guam Fire Department to ensure proper allocation of resources and assurance of fiscal sustainability of the project, which is not available at this time.