

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	FISCAL NOTES	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
213-38 (COR)	Sabina Flores Perez Therese M. Terlaje Chris Barnett V. Anthony Ada Shelly V. Calvo	AN ACT TO <i>AMEND</i> § 76102, § 76103, § 76104 ALL OF ARTICLE 1, AND CHAPTER 76, TITLE 21 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CLARIFYING THE ROLE OF THE GUAM HISTORIC RESOURCES DIVISION IN REVITALIZING AND PROMOTING PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC SITES AND CULTURAL LANDSCAPES OF <i>GUÅHAN</i> .	10/28/25 8:24 a.m.	11/7/25	Committee on Child Welfare, Youth Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women's Affairs, Disability Services, the Arts, Culture, Historic Preservation, and Hagåtña Restoration.	Request: 11/7/25 11/17/25			



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairperson

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38th Guam Legislature

November 17, 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. 213-38 (COR)**

Håfa Adai!

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

Bill No. 213-38 (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. 213-38 (COR)

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Department/Agency Appropriation Information

Dept./Agency Affected: Department of Parks and Recreation	Dept./Agency Head: Angel Sablan, Director
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date: Guam Historic Resources Division (\$848,666), Civilian Volunteer TPP Officer Reservists (\$90,000)	\$4,596,359
Department's Other Fund appropriation(s) to date: Limited Gaming Fund (\$343,564), Public Recreation Services Fund (\$86,596), Tourist Attraction Fund (\$400,000)	\$830,160
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	\$5,426,519

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation

	General Fund:	Special Fund:	Total:
FY 2025 Unreserved Fund Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2026 Adopted Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2026 Appro. (P.L. 38-60)	\$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 2026 (if applicable)	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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| 1. Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions?
If Yes, see attachment | // | Yes | /X/ | No |
| 2. Is amount appropriated adequate to fund the intent of the appropriation?
If no, what is the additional amount required? \$ _____ | /X/ | N/A | // | Yes |
| 3. Does the Bill establish a new program/agency?
If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies?
Is there a federal mandate to establish the program/agency? | /X/ | N/A | // | Yes |
| 4. Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities? | // | Yes | /X/ | No |
| 5. Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept/agency?
// Requested agency comments not received by due date: | /X/ | Yes | // | No |
| | | | // | Other |

Analyst: <u>Michelle Pineda</u> Michelle Pineda, BMA I	Date: <u>11/13/25</u>	Director: <u>Lester L. Carlson, Jr.</u> Lester L. Carlson, Jr., Director	Date: <u>NOV 14 2025</u>
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Notes:
 1/ See Additional Comments.

Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Comments on Bill No. 213-38 (COR)

Bill No. 213-38 intends to amend § 76102, § 76103, § 76104, all of Article 1, and Chapter 76, Title 21 Guam Code Annotated, relative to clarifying the role of the Guam Historic Resources Division in revitalizing and promoting preservation of historic sites and cultural landscapes of Guåhan.

I Liheslatura finds that there is an urgent need to promote and support the preservation of both historic sites and cultural heritage due to increased developmental pressures and the rapid destruction of natural and cultural sites. *I Liheslatura* further identifies that together with the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Guam Historic Resources Division (GHRD) is the prime candidate to establish a comprehensive program for historic preservation, restoration, and presentation for both public and private property. In effect, Bill No. 213-38 seeks to update the historic preservation statute to include the island's cultural landscapes, or geographical areas whose significance is tied to indigenous practices and heritage. The Bill also intends to authorize the GHRD to take the lead in all Guam projects and programs relating to historic preservation and restoration.

As noted in the attached comments received from the GHRD, the division endorses the Bill as a necessary and reasonable step toward the full implementation of a heritage preservation strategy for Guam, which the division deems to be just as important as the protection of archaeological sites. They note that although cultural landscapes are protected in federal law, Guam law has yet to name these areas. They further add that the proposed legislation lays a firm agenda for strengthening the law, regulations, and staffing, and serves as a bridge to aligning the GHRD with the Office of the Governor as a Guam office responsive to U.S. federal law and regulations required for historic preservation. The Bureau notes that should this legislation be passed, the potential fiscal impact may be an increased need for additional staff within the GHRD, which would be necessary to carry out the division's expanded mission and meet the increased demands outlined in the Bill. However, neither the Bill as written nor the comments received from the GHRD specify the additional personnel requirements or administrative costs associated with the mandates of the legislation. As such, the Bureau is unable to ascertain the fiscal impact should the Bill become law.