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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
249-38 (COR)	Frank F. Blas, Jr. Vincent A. V. Borja Jesse A. Lujan Tina Rose Muña-Barnes V. Anthony Ada Christopher M. Dueñas Shelly V. Calvo	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 22107 (I) TO CHAPTER 22, TITLE 7, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; RELATIVE TO EXEMPTING CERTIFIED SPECIALISTS PROVIDING DIRECT SERVICES TO STUDENTS WITH SPECIALIZED NEEDS FROM JURY DUTY.	12/23/25 11:34 a.m. 1/12/26 8:57 a.m.	1/15/26	Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement.	Request: 1/15/26 1/16/26			



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairperson
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38th Guam Legislature

January 16, 2026

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. 249-38 (COR)**

Håfa Adai!

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

Bill No. 249-38 (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. 249-38 (COR)**

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Department/Agency Appropriation Information	
Dept./Agency Affected: Unified Judiciary of Guam	Dept./Agency Head: Robert J. Torres Jr., Chief Justice
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date: Operations (\$41,623,822); Drug and Therapeutic Courts (\$889,319); Electronic Monitoring Program (\$868,157); Guam Criminal Law and Procedure Review Commission (\$378,845)	43,760,143
Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date: Safe Streets Fund-Family Visitation Center (\$29,993)	29,993
	43,790,136

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation			
	General Fund:	(Specify Special Fund):	Total:
FY 2025 Unreserved Fund Balance		\$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 2025 (if applicable)	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
General Fund	\$0	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/
Special Fund	\$0	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/
Total	\$0	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/

- 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? \$ _____ // N/A
- Does the Bill establish a new program/agency? // Yes / X/ No
If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies? / X/ N/A // 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:  Gianni Torres, BMA I Date:  01/16/2026 Director: Lester L. Carlson, Jr., Director Date: **JAN 16 2026**

Comments:
1/According to comments received on Bill 249-38 (COR), the Unified Judiciary of Guam notes that the bill is still under review. While no estimate can be provided at this time, narrowing the pool of eligible jurors will have an operational impact on the justice system, affecting jury selection and court proceedings. The bill is further expected to increase administrative costs due to the additional workload required to issue, review, and evaluate juror qualifications. Because jury service is a fundamental civic duty, any change to juror eligibility should be considered carefully to preserve broad participation and the effective administration of justice. Absent detailed information as to the additional administrative costs from the Judiciary of Guam, the Bureau is unable to provide an estimated cost impact to the Government of Guam should the Bill be enacted.