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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 |
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| 256-38 (COR) | Tina Rose Muña-Barnes | AN ACT TO AMEND § 12106(h) OF CHAPTER 12, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO INCREASING THE CAP ON CHARTER SCHOOLS FROM SEVEN (7) TO EIGHT (8) TO ADVANCE TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION. | 1/16/26 11:10 a.m. 1/23/26 3:18 p.m. | 1/26/26 | Committee on Education, Libraries and Public Broadcasting. | Request: 1/26/26 1/29/26 | | | |



COMMITTEE ON RULES

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

January 29, 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. 256-38 (COR)**

Håfa Adai!

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

Bill No. 256-38 (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. 256-38 (COR)**

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| Department/Agency Appropriation Information | |
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| Dept./Agency Affected: Guam Academy Charter School Council | Dept./Agency Head: Evangeline Cepeda, Chairperson |
| Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date: General Fund appropriation to the Guam Academy Charter School Fund | 25,545,000 |
| Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date: | - |
| | 25,545,000 |

| 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 2026 (if applicable) | FY 2027 | FY 2028 | FY 2029 | FY 2030 |
| General Fund | \$0 | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ |
| Special Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Total | \$0 | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ |

- Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions? / / Yes / X/ No
If Yes, see attachment 1/
- 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? / 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
/X/ Requested agency comments not received by due date / / Other:

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| Analyst: <u>William P. Talingpong</u> Date: <u>1/28/26</u> Director: <u>Lester L. Carlson, Jr.</u> Date: JAN 29 2026 |
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Footnotes:
1/ Bill 256-38, which is similar to Bill 252-38, intends to also increase the cap of 7 charter schools to 8 charter schools. If enacted, this could have an annual impact on the General Fund of the Government of Guam should there be an 8th charter school approved for establishment and an appropriation is then made to fund it. The Bureau had sought input on the proposed Bill from the Guam Academy Charter Schools Council and have not received any official comments as of the date of this fiscal note. However, the Bureau notes that the current appropriation to the 7 charter schools is based on the authorized charter school capacity multiplied by the current per pupil cost of \$7,800 for FY2026. To illustrate, the addition of the 2 latest approved academy charter schools (Business & Technology and *Maga'lahaen Hurao-CHamoru*) are at a capacity of 200 students respectively, and at the per pupil rate, the 2 academy charter schools are costing \$3,120,000 or \$1,560,000 each to fund its operations in FY2026.