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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
271-38 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje William A. Parkinson Chris Barnett Christopher M. Dueñas Frank F. Blas, Jr. Telo T. Taitague Sabina Flores Perez	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 55.75 TO CHAPTER 55 TITLE 9 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO DETERRING THE TAMPERING OF GUAM CUSTOMS AND QUARANTINE AGENCY SEALS.	2/9/26 8:01 a.m.	2/13/26	Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement.	Request: 2/13/26  2/27/26			



## COMMITTEE ON RULES

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

February 27, 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. 271-38 (COR)**

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*Håfa Adai!*

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

**Bill No. 271-38 (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. 271-38 (COR)**

**AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 55.75 TO CHAPTER 55 TITLE 9 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO DETERRING THE TAMPERING OF GUAM CUSTOMS AND QUARANTINE AGENCY SEALS.**

Department/Agency Appropriation Information	
Dept./Agency Affected: <b>Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency (CQA)</b>	Dept./Agency Head: <b>Ignacio Q. Peredo, Director</b>
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	<b>\$14,587,104</b>
Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date: <b>Customs, Agriculture, and Quarantine Inspection Services Fund</b>	<b>\$7,651,633</b>
<b>Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:</b>	<b>\$22,238,737</b>

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
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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 1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Fund 1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total 1/</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

1. Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions? / / Yes /X/ No  
If Yes, see attachment
2. 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
3. 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
4. Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities? / / Yes /X/ No
5. Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept./agency? If no, indicate reason: / / Yes /X/ No  
 Requested agency comments not received by due date / / Other:

Analyst: <u>Louis Schmelzinger</u> Louis Schmelzinger	Date: <u>02/23/2026</u>	Director: <u>Lester L. Carlson, Jr.</u>	Date: <u>FEB 27 2026</u>
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**Comments:**  
1/ The proposed legislation seeks to criminalize the tampering of a Customs and Quarantine seal as a third-degree felony. The Bureau requested input from the Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency on Bill No. 271-38 (COR) but has not received official comments to date. Consequently, the Bureau lacks the critical data necessary to determine the historical frequency of seal tampering or the number of individuals previously investigated for such acts. However, the Bureau notes that there will be a potential impact to the Department of Corrections relative to costs with the increased number of incarcerated individuals for meals, healthcare, clothing, and other associated costs and services for imprisonment.