

*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
296-38 (LS)	Therese M. Terlaje	AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE UNEXPENDED BALANCE UNDER PUBLIC LAW 38-75 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE REFURBISHMENT OF THE FORMER PUBLIC HEALTH MANGILAO FACILITY.	3/27/26 3:48 p.m.	4/6/26	Committee on Finance and Government Operations.	Request: 4/6/26 4/10/26			




## COMMITTEE ON RULES

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

April 10, 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. 296-38 (LS)**

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*Håfa Adai!*

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

**Bill No. 296-38 (LS).**

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. 296-38 (LS)**

**AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE UNEXPENDED BALANCE UNDER PUBLIC LAW 38-75 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE REFURBISHMENT OF THE FORMER PUBLIC HEALTH MANGILAO FACILITY.**

**Department/Agency Appropriation Information**

<b>Dept./Agency Affected:</b> Department of Public Health & Social Services	<b>Dept./Agency Head:</b> Theresa C. Arriola, Director
<b>Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:</b> Operations (\$59,693,405); Health Insurance Premiums for Foster Children (\$2,359,215); Child Protective Services Program (\$2,220,129); Bureau of Social Services Administration (\$7,558,215); Grants for Homelessness (\$500,000)	<b>\$72,330,964</b>
<b>Department's Other Fund appropriation(s) to date:</b> Environmental Health Fund (\$1,586,489); Health Professional Licensing Office Revolving Fund (\$333,181); Office of Vital Statistics Revolving Fund (\$224,713); DPHSS Sanitary Inspection Revolving Fund (\$481,089); Healthy Futures Fund for Guam Cancer Registry (\$389,144)	<b>\$3,014,616</b>
<b>Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:</b>	<b>\$75,345,580</b>

**Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation**

	General Fund:	(Specify Special Fund):	Total:
<b>FY 2025 Unreserved Fund Balance</b>		\$0	\$0
<b>FY 2026 Adopted Revenues</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>FY 2026 Appr. (P.L. 38-60)</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Sub-total:</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Less appropriation in Bill</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total:</b>	\$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
<b>General Fund</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Special Fund</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total 1/</b>	\$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? / / N/A / X / 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: / / Yes / X / No  
/ X / Requested agency comments not received by due date / / Other:

Analyst:  _____ Date: <u>04/10/2026</u>	Director:  _____ Date: <u>APR 10 2026</u>
Tyler Bautista, BMA II	 Lester L. Carlson, Jr., Director

**Notes:**  
1/ See attached comments.

BUREAU OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT RESEARCH  
COMMENTS ON BILL NO. 296-38 (LS)

The proposed legislation intends to reappropriate Seven Million Dollars (\$7,000,000) to the Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) from the unexpended balance under Public Law 38-75 (SNAP and WIC benefits) for the refurbishment of the former Public Health Mangilao facility. Per the proposed legislation, the refurbishment of the Mangilao facility will restore critical health services in central Guam. The Bureau notes that although the title and legislative intent seek to appropriate the funding to the DPHSS, Section 2 of the proposed legislation mandates the reappropriation of funds for the refurbishment of the Mangilao facility, but does not specify to whom the funding will be availed to. Additionally, the Bureau notes that the proposed legislation is flawed as the appropriation should be directed to the Guam Community College (GCC) as the new owner of the property, pursuant to Public Law 38-63.

The Bureau notes that Bill 278-38 (COR), introduced on February 16, 2026, also seeks to appropriate \$18,000,000 from FY 2025 Unaudited Revenues collected in excess over adopted levels in Public Law 37-125 for the refurbishment of the Mangilao facility, in collaboration with the GCC. The combination of appropriations from both Bill No. 278-38 (COR) and Bill No. 296-38 (LS) amounts to a total of \$25,000,000 for the refurbishment of the former Public Health Mangilao facility.

Absent correspondence from the DPHSS, the Bureau notes that Public Law 38-75 appropriated \$13,100,000 from FY 2025 Unaudited Revenues collected in excess over adopted levels in Public Law 37-125 to fund SNAP and WIC benefits locally due to the partial federal government shutdown at the beginning of FY 2026, which ended on November 12, 2025. Public Law 38-75 mandates that any unexpended balance shall revert back to the General Fund. The proposed legislation states that testimony from the Department of Administration (DOA) on March 26, 2026 indicates that the \$7,000,000 remains unexpended and available for reappropriation.

As such, the Bureau notes that there is sufficient funding to cover the intent of the proposed legislation based on the testimony from the DOA relative to the reappropriation of the unexpended balance in Public Law 38-75.