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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
307-38 (COR)	Tina Rose Muña-Barnes	AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE SUM OF SIX MILLION DOLLARS (\$6,000,000) OF THE UNEXPENDED BALANCE UNDER PUBLIC LAW 38-75 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES FOR CHILD CARE SUBSIDY PAYMENTS AND TO AUTHORIZE REIMBURSEMENT UPON RECEIPT OF FEDERAL FUNDS.	4/10/26 2:08 p.m.	4/21/26	Committee on Finance and Government Operations.	Request: 4/21/26 4/30/26			




COMMITTEE ON RULES

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

April 30, 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. 307-38 (COR)**

Håfa Adai!

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

Bill No. 307-38 (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. 307-38 (COR)**

AN ACT TO REAPPROPRIATE THE SUM OF SIX MILLION DOLLARS (\$6,000,000) OF THE UNEXPENDED BALANCE UNDER PUBLIC LAW 38-75 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES FOR CHILD CARE SUBSIDY PAYMENTS AND TO AUTHORIZE REIMBURSEMENT UPON RECEIPT OF FEDERAL FUNDS

Department/Agency Appropriation Information

Dept./Agency Affected: Department of Public Health & Social Services	Dept./Agency Head: Theresa C. Arriola, Director
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date: 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)	\$72,330,964
Department's Other Fund appropriation(s) to date: 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)	\$3,014,616
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	\$75,345,580

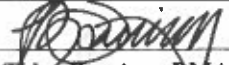

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation

	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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total 1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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| 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? | / / N/A | / X / Yes |
| If no, what is the additional amount required? \$ _____ | / X / N/A | / / No |
| 3. Does the Bill establish a new program/agency? | / / Yes | / X / No |
| If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies? | / X / N/A | / / 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 |
| / X / Requested agency comments not received by due date | / / Other: | |

Analyst:  Tyler Bautista, BMA II	Date: 04/29/2026	Director:  Lester L. Carlson, Jr., Director	Date: APR 29 2026
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Notes:
1/ See attached comments.

Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Comments on Bill No. 307-38 (COR)

The proposed legislation intends to reappropriate Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) 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 child care subsidy payments and to authorize reimbursement upon receipt of federal funds. Per the proposed legislation, child care subsidy programs are critical to supporting working families and ensuring stability of Guam's early child hood care system. Timely payments to child care providers and home care providers are essential to maintaining operations and preventing service disruptions. Furthermore, the proposed legislation finds that delays in receipt of federal funds for the second and third quarters of FY 2026 have created an immediate funding shortfall. Thus, the intent of the proposed legislation seeks to authorize the temporary use of locally appropriated funds to ensure continuity of child care subsidy payments, to be reimbursed upon receipt of federal funding.

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. Based on testimony provided by the Department of Administration on March 26, 2026 (per Bill No. 396-38 (LS)), the unexpended balance from Public Law 38-75 was \$7,100,000. The Bureau notes that this amount is no longer available as the funding was reappropriated under Public Law 38-124 (enacted April 12, 2026) for the island's response and recovery from Super Typhoon Sinlaku. As such, the Bureau notes that there is insufficient funding to cover the intent of the proposed legislation.