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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
<b>322-38 (COR)</b>	Telo T. Taitague Therese M. Terlaje Chris Barnett Sabina Flores Perez	AN ACT TO <i>ADD</i> A NEW § 12212.2 OF ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 12, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING PHYSICIAN PUBLIC PROFILE DISCLOSURES TO INCLUDE PRACTICE CAPACITY AND PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INFORMATION TO PROMOTE INFORMED PATIENT DECISION-MAKING.	5/14/26 8:01 a.m. 5/29/26 11:12 a.m.	5/29/26	Committee on Health and Veterans Affairs.	Request: 5/29/26 6/5/26			




## COMMITTEE ON RULES

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

June 5, 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. 322-38 (COR)**

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*Håfa Adai!*

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

**Bill No. 322-38 (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. 322-38 (COR)**

**AN ACT TO AMEND § 12212.2 OF ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 12, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING PHYSICIAN PUBLIC PROFILE DISCLOSURES TO INCLUDE PRACTICE CAPACITY AND PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INFORMATION TO PROMOTE INFORMED PATIENT DECISION-MAKING.**

**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 Appro. (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? / 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  
/ / Requested agency comments not received by due date / / Other:

<b>Analyst:</b>  Tyler Bautista, BMA II	<b>Date:</b> 06/03/2026	<b>Director:</b>  Lester L. Carlson, Jr., Director	<b>Date:</b> JUN 04 2026
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**Notes:**  
1/ See attached comments.

**BUREAU OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT RESEARCH  
COMMENTS ON BILL NO. 322-38 (COR)**

The proposed legislation intends to amend § 12212.2 of Article 2, Chapter 12, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, to expand physician public profile disclosures to include practice capacity and corresponding liability information to promote informed patient decision-making. Additionally, the intent of the proposed legislation is to ensure that such information is maintained in a timely and accurate manner and to strengthen transparency, accountability, and informed decision-making for patients on Guam.

Per correspondence with the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS), the proposed legislation introduces new mandates which will result in additional operational and fiscal obligations for the DPHSS. The proposed legislation requires the Guam Board of Medical Examiners (GBME) public profile website to be updated to capture, store, and display complex, dual-layered data fields. Second, the proposed legislation mandates that the Health Professional Licensing Office (HPLO) assist the GBME in maintaining accurate records and dictates a strict 30-calendar-day window for review and update of a physician’s profile once a change is submitted. Lastly, Section 2, Subsection (d) mandates that the GBME adopt rules and regulations within 180 days from enactment to govern compliance, investigate violations, and impose administrative fines inclusive of conducting due process hearings. Per the DPHSS, the fiscal impact is estimated at **\$173,854** per year to cover IT system modifications or web-development, personnel, and administrative costs. See table below.

<b>Item</b>	<b>Expense Category</b>	<b>Estimated Annual Cost</b>	<b>Funding Status/Description</b>
IT Maintenance & Hosting	Contractual	\$ 25,000.00	Requires New Appropriation. Annual software maintenance, security patches, and cloud database storage adjustments for the newly created public profile needs.
Enforcement & Investigations	Personnel/Operations	\$ 20,000.00	Absorbed/Potential Cost. Covers administrative costs for hosting due process hearings, recording proceedings, and handling compliance investigations for licensees who fail to update profiles.
Future Personnel Escalation (2) Program Coordinator I	Personnel (FTE)	\$ 82,744.00	Potential Future Cost. If the 30-day processing window creates a permanent backlog, HPLO will require (2) dedicated Program Coordinator I (GG Pay Plan, Step 1, plus benefits) to maintain compliance tracking.
Personnel Benefits for (2) Program Coordinator I	Personnel (FTE)	\$ 46,110.00	(2) Program Coordinator I benefits (Estimated at 33.85% + 1.45% + Medical/Dental)
<b>TOTAL RECURRING COSTS</b>		<b>\$ 173,854.00</b>	

As such, the enactment of the proposed legislation will require additional funding to the DPHSS budget to ensure proper administration and oversight.