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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
343-38 (LS)	Therese M. Terlaje Sabina Flores Perez	AN ACT TO <i>AMEND</i> § 4B104 AND § 4B105 OF ARTICLE 1B, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, AND § 67101(d), (e), AND (g) OF CHAPTER 67, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO DEFINING SPOUSE AND LEGAL GUARDIAN FOR CERTAIN LOCAL VETERANS' BENEFITS.	7/22/26 4:00 p.m.	7/27/26	Committee on Health and Veterans Affairs.	Request: 7/27/26 8/7/26			



COMMITTEE ON RULES

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

August 7, 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. 343-38 (LS)**

Håfa Adai!

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

Bill No. 343-38 (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. 343-38 (LS)

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Department/Agency Appropriation Information

Dept./Agency Affected: Guam Office of Veterans Affairs	Dept./Agency Head: Jose San Agustin, Director
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	\$1,246,443
Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date:	\$0
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	\$1,246,443

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	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/
Total	\$0	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/

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: /X/ Yes /X/ No
 / / Requested agency comments not received by due date / / Other:

Analyst: <u>Jasmine C. Tereas, BMA II</u>	Date: <u>08/06/26</u>	Director: <u>Lester L. Carlson, Jr.</u>	Date: <u>AUG 07 2026</u>
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Comments:

1/ See attached comments.

Bureau of Budget and Management Research
Comments on Bill No. 343-38 (LS)

According to the Findings and Intent of the legislation, in 2012, the definitions of a spouse, surviving spouse and guardian were established and set to expire ten years after the veteran's passing. The proposed legislation seeks to amend the limitation of 10 years to continue until the spouse, surviving spouse or guardian passes away, or until the surviving spouse remarries. Pursuant to § 4B101. Eligibility. of Article 1B, Chapter 4, Title 4, Guam Code Annotated, these "derived benefits" extended to the spouse, legal guardian, or surviving spouse include the waiver of Driver's License Fees for all veterans, and the waiver of Annual Vehicle License and Registration Fees for veterans with 100% Disability or Individually Unemployable.

Per comments received from the Guam Office of Veterans Affairs, there is no fiscal impact should the proposed legislation become law. However, it is the opinion of the Bureau that there is a potential for reduced revenues collected, allocated, and deposited into the General Fund, Guam Highway Fund, and the Abandoned Vehicle and Street Light Fund in the form of Driver's License Fees, Vehicle License and Registration Fees upon the expiration of the 10-year limit. Absent detailed information from the Guam Office of Veteran's Affairs relative to the number of spouses, guardians, and surviving spouses who avail of these benefits, the Bureau is unable to determine an approximate fiscal impact at this time.