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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
373-38 (LS)	Committee on Child Welfare, Youth Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women's Affairs, Disability Services, the Arts, Culture, Historic Preservation and Hagåtña Restoration by request of *I Kongressun Manhoben Guåhan* , the Guam Youth Congress, in accordance with 2 GCA § 7102	AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW ARTICLE 10 TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO IMPROVING TRAFFIC SAFETY AROUND AND IN SCHOOL ZONES BY REQUIRING THE INSTALLATION OF CROSSWALK LIGHTS AND SPEED BUMPS NEAR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS, TO BE KNOWN AS THE "SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY ACT OF 2025."	10/15/26 12:57 p.m.	10/21/26	Committee on Land, Environment, Housing, Agriculture, Parks, and Infrastructure.	Request: 10/21/26 11/4/26			

COMMITTEE ON RULES

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

November 4, 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. 373-38 (LS)**

Håfa Adai!

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

Bill No. 373-38 (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. 373-38 (LS)

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Department/Agency Appropriation Information		
Dept./Agency Affected: Department of Public Works (DPW)	Dept./Agency Head: Vincent P. Arriola, Director	
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:		3,814,436
Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date: Guam Highway Fund ($11,193,988); Guam Educational Facilities Fund ($7,907,558);		19,101,546
		$22,915,982

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation	General Fund:	(Specify Special Fund):	Total:
FY 2026 Unreserved Fund Balance		$0	$0
FY 2027 Adopted Revenues	$0	$0	$0
FY 2027 Appro. (P.L. 38-136)	$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 2027 (if applicable)	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
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? $ _____	/ / 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?		/ X/ Yes	/ / No
5. Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept/agency? If no, indicate reason:		/ X / Yes	/ / No
/ X / Requested agency comments not received by due date	/ / Other:		

Analyst: _____ Date: 10/30/26 Director: _____ Date: NOV 0 3 2026
William P. Tailingtong, Acting BMA Supvr. Lester L. Carlson, Jr., Director

Comments:
1/ See attached comments on Bill 373-38 (LS).

BUREAU OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT RESEARCH
COMMENTS ON BILL NO. 373-38 (LS)

The proposed Bill No. 373-38 (LS) is an act to add a new Article 10 to Chapter 3, Title 16, Guam Code Annotated, relative to improving traffic safety around and in school zones by requiring the installation of crosswalk lights and speed bumps near public and private schools, to be known as the "School Zone Safety Act of 2025".

According to the legislative intent of Bill No. 373-38 (LS), it is to strengthen public safety and protect Guam's youth by requiring the installation of crosswalk lights or speed bumps near every public and private school on the island. The Act also seeks to promote driver awareness, encourage safer behavior behind the wheel, and create a culture of caution and respect within school zones.

Bill 373-38 (LS) mandates the Department of Public Works (DPW), in coordination with the various schools in Guam, to conduct a comprehensive safety assessment of all school zones to identify areas that require additional crosswalk lights or speed bumps. Each school zone, whether public or private, shall include one clearly marked pedestrian crossing equipped with either a flashing crosswalk warning lights and raised speed bumps. The Bill requires the DPW to complete the installation of these safety measures within 18 months from the enactment of the Act. Furthermore, the Bill provides that the funding for the implementation and maintenance of this Act be drawn from existing DPW traffic safety funds, federal highway safety grants, or other available appropriations designated for road safety improvements.

The Bureau had sought comments on the financial impact of the proposed Bill 373-38 (LS) from the DPW on October 23, 2026 with a follow-up request on October 28, 2026. The Bureau has not received any official comments from the DPW as of the date of this fiscal note.

The Bureau does anticipate Bill 373-38 (LS), if enacted, to pose a significant financial impact to the DPW to complete the proposed mandate. Based on an internet query, the cost to provide, construct, or install a crosswalk range from $200 for a basic painted line to over $250,000 for a fully signalized intersection depending entirely on materials, design, and added technology. To install both crosswalk flashing lights and speed-calming measures near a school, the average combined cost ranges from $12,000 to $38,000 per crosswalk location. The final amount depends on whether such installation is a permanent asphalt infrastructure or opts for modular, bolt down hardware. With approximately 45 public schools (not including charter, private, and DoDEA schools), the estimated cost impact could range from $540,000 to $1,710,000 when using the average combined cost range noted. An increased cost impact is anticipated with the addition of all the charter and private schools in Guam.