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
382-38 (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 AUTHORIZE A PLEBISCITE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PEOPLE OF GUAM SUPPORT CONDUCTING A FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS PLEBISCITE.	10/15/26 2:30 p.m. ^10/23/26 11:10 a.m.	10/29/26	Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement.	Request: 10/29/26 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. 382-38 (LS)**

Håfa Adai!

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

Bill No. 382-38 (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. 382-38 (LS)

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PLEBISCITE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PEOPLE OF GUAM SUPPORT CONDUCTING A FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS PLEBISCITE.

Department/Agency Appropriation Information	
Dept./Agency Affected: Guam Election Commission (GEC)	Dept./Agency Head: Maria Pangelinan, Executive Director
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	$2,515,367
Department's Other Fund appropriation(s) to date:	$0
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	$2,515,367

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation	General Fund:	(Specify Special Fund):	Total:
FY 2026 Unreserved Fund Balance	$0	$0	$0
FY 2027 Adopted Revenues	$0	$0	$0
FY 2027 Appropriations (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	1/	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Special Fund	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Total	1/	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0

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

Analyst: _____ Date: 11/3/2026
Abigail R. Ofeciar, BMA Supervisor

Director: _____ Date: NOV 0 3 2026
Lester L. Carlson, Jr., Director

Footnote(s):

1/ See comments attached.

BUREAU OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT RESEARCH
COMMENTS ON BILL NO. 382-38 (LS)

The proposed legislation intends to implement a plebiscite to determine whether the people of Guam support conducting a future political status plebiscite. The plebiscite asking the question, "*Should Guam conduct a plebiscite on its future political status?*", is proposed to be administered by the Guam Election Commission (GEC), in accordance with existing election laws, for the 2028 General Elections. The GEC shall certify and transmit the results to the Speaker of the Legislature and the Governor of Guam within thirty (30) days after the election. The result of this plebiscite shall then serve as a guide for future actions by the government of Guam.

Per correspondence received from the GEC, the proposed legislation may have an estimated fiscal impact of $91,000 if the GEC is required to prepare and disseminate informational pamphlets regarding the plebiscite to all registered voters, which the GEC stated as required for measures under election laws. The GEC further noted that since the proposal is to take effect in the 2028 General Elections, the estimated fiscal impact may potentially increase. The Bureau is unable to determine the full fiscal impact at this time as the details of the estimated $91,000 impact to the GEC was not provided.