

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
BILL STATUS

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262-38 (LS) As amended by the Committee on Finance and Government Operations.	V. Anthony Ada Christopher M. Dueñas Frank F. Blas, Jr. Sabrina Salas Matanane Shelly V. Calvo Tina Rose Muña-Barnes Telo T. Taitague	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY THOUSAND (\$890,000) TO 1 LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN FOR ITS CYBERSECURITY AND AUTOMATIONS NEEDS FOR FY 2026.	1/27/26 9:56 a.m.	2/3/26	Committee on Finance and Government Operations.	Request: 2/3/26	2/16/26 9:00 a.m.	3/5/2026 As Amended.	
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	3/23/26	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY THOUSAND (\$890,000) TO 1 LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN FOR ITS CYBERSECURITY AND AUTOMATIONS NEEDS FOR FY 2026.	3/27/26	3/27/26	4/8/26	38-119	4/8/26	Received: 4/8/26 Mess and Comm. Doc. No. 638GL-26-2187	

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38GL-26-2187

OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER
FRANK F. BLAS JR.

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April 8, 2026

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THE HON. FRANK BLAS, JR., *Speaker*
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Re: Bill No. 262-38 (LS), "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY THOUSAND (\$890,000) TO I LIHESLATURAN GUĀHAN FOR ITS CYBERSECURITY AND AUTOMATIONS NEEDS FOR FY 2026."

Håfa Adai Mr. Speaker,

Bill 262-38 (LS) appropriates \$890K for fiscal year 2026 to the Guam Legislature for much-needed upgrades to its information technology ("IT") systems, cybersecurity infrastructure, as well as the procurement of Microsoft 365 Enterprise and automation software. After a decade of neglectful IT practices, *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* has finally decided that operating on outdated, unsecure technology is no longer acceptable.

As a public-facing entity, it is crucial that the Guam Legislature stay up-to-date with technology. As testified, the Legislature produces livestreams, handles constituent communications, employee information, fiscal systems, and legislative records. Operating on nearly decade-old equipment is a recipe for disaster. This funding is essential to ensure that they can operate securely and efficiently in a world where technology is constantly evolving.

I trust that this investment will lead to tangible improvements in the Legislative process. The people of Guam deserve a government that can operate effectively without the threat of technological failure.

For these reasons, I sign Bill No. 262-38 (LS) into law as **Public Law No. 38-119**.

Senseramente,

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
I Maga'hågan Guåhan
Governor of Guam



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Enclosure(s): Bill No. 262-38 (LS) nka P.L. 38-119
cc via email: *Honorable* Joshua F. Tenorio, *Segundo Maga'låhen Guåhan*, Lt. Governor of Guam
Compiler of Laws

I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO *I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN*

This is to certify that **Bill No. 262-38 (LS)**, "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY THOUSAND (\$890,000) TO *I LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* FOR ITS CYBERSECURITY AND AUTOMATIONS NEEDS FOR FY 2026," was on the 27th day of March 2026, duly and regularly passed.



Frank F. Blas, Jr
Speaker

Attested:



Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 27 day of March 2026, at 8:24 o'clock P.M.



For Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'håga's Office

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Executive Security

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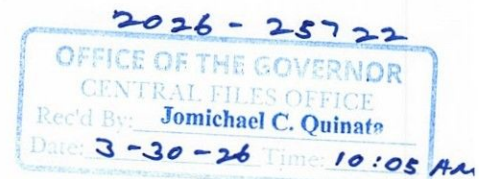


Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date:

4/18/2026

Public Law No. 38-119



I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 262-38 (LS)

As amended by the Committee on Finance
and Government Operations.

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF EIGHT
HUNDRED NINETY THOUSAND (\$890,000) TO *I*
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN FOR ITS CYBERSECURITY
AND AUTOMATIONS NEEDS FOR FY 2026.**

1 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds
3 that there has never been a significant investment in its Information Technology (IT)
4 Systems, for *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*, since the Guam Law Review Commission law
5 was repealed and reestablished in the judicial branch as the Compiler of Laws.

1 In addition to the functions that are commonly automated or outsourced, such
2 as payroll, personnel records and accounting, by other branches of Government and
3 autonomous agencies, the *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* has an obligation to the public to
4 make its legislative information available to the public through a modern and
5 updated website. This process begins with its internal operations that include the
6 Office of the Clerk of the Legislature and the Committee on Rules. Examples of IT
7 requirements include accurate and fast automated transcription of audio from
8 hearings, round table and informational meetings and regular and special sessions.
9 These systems also include the conversion of scanned documents using Optical
10 Character Recognition (OCR) that will allow attorneys, legislative staffers and
11 patrons in general to quickly peruse testimony and other information submitted to
12 the legislature in consideration of pending bills and resolutions.

13 To disseminate such information, the legislature needs a viable Local Area
14 Network (LAN) that includes a database of all legislative information (bills, public
15 laws, floor amendments, committee reports, etc.). For cybersecurity, *I Liheslaturan*
16 needs a viable firewall and a Wide Area Network (WAN) of remote servers to
17 provide backup, redundancy and website hosting.

18 Examples of Commercial Legislative Systems include: International Roll-
19 Call Corporation (IRC), Propylon, Granicus, ArborText (PTC), LexisNexis State Net
20 and Bloomberg Government.

21 Key Technology Trends in state legislatures and city and town councils and
22 school district boards in the United States are rapidly moving to IT for dissemination
23 of legislative information.

24 State legislatures are increasingly adopting modern technologies to enhance
25 efficiency and public access, including:

- 26 (a) Web-based applications for remote participation and information
27 access.

1 (b) Videoconferencing and teleconferencing for remote meetings.

2 (c) Artificial intelligence (AI) for tasks like chatbots, data
3 management, and legislative tracking.

4 (d) Electronic bill filing and co-sponsorship applications.

5 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that state legislatures frequently mandate
6 that their agencies, and sometimes private contractors, adhere to established,
7 government-recognized cybersecurity standards that include *NIST (The National*
8 *Institute of Standards and Technology) Cybersecurity Framework and Standards,*
9 *CIS (Center for Internet Security) Controls and Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA).*

10 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that the unappropriated, unallotted and
11 unexpended General Fund balance from Fiscal Year 2025 has not been fully
12 appropriated and is sufficient to cover the cost of the legislative branch's
13 cybersecurity and automation needs and upgrades for the remainder of FY 2026.

14 It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to appropriate the sum of
15 Eight Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$890,000) to *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* for
16 its IT needs.

17 **Section 2. Appropriation.** The sum of Eight Hundred Ninety Thousand
18 Dollars (\$890,000) from excess accumulated General Fund revenues (Excess
19 Reserves) for Fiscal Year 2026, as reflected in the Consolidated Revenue and
20 Expenditure Report (CRER) as of February 1, 2026, is appropriated to *I Liheslaturan*
21 *Guåhan* for its cybersecurity and Information Technology (IT) needs.
22 Notwithstanding any other provision of laws, the funds appropriated by this Act shall
23 not lapse at the end of any fiscal year and are available until fully expended.