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
		AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 4132 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE	2/7/25	2/13/25	Committee on Finance and Government	Request: 2/13/25	4/21/25	7/3/25	
		ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING LIMITED LEAVE BENEFITS FOR	9:46 a.m.		Operations.		2:00 p.m.	As Amended.	
48-38 (COR)		RETIRED TEACHERS REHIRED ON CONTRACT TO FILL TEACHING VACANCIES.		4/2/25	Re-Referred: Committee on Education,	3/5/25			
	Christopher M. Duenas				Libraries and Public Broadcasting.				
	Sabrina Salas Matanane								
	Shelly V. Calvo								
Education, Libraries,									
	Joe S. San Agustin								
Broadcasting; and	SESSION DATE	TITLE	DATE PASSED	TRANSMITTED	DUE DATE	PUBLIC LAW NO.	DATE SIGNED	NOTES	
substituted and		AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 4132 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE							
amended on the Floor.		ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING LIMITED LEAVE BENEFITS FOR						Received: 8/18/25 Mess and Comm. Doc. No. 38GL-25-1052	
	7/28/25	RETIRED TEACHERS REHIRED ON CONTRACT TO FILL TEACHING VACANCIES.	7/31/25	8/6/25	8/18/25	38-41	8/18/25		

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JOSHUA F. TENORIO LT. GOVERNOR

> 38GL-25-(052 OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER FRANK F. BLAS JR.

> > AUG 18 2025

Time: 4:30 pu

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August 18, 2025

THE HON. FRANK BLAS, JR., Speaker I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan 38th Guam Legislature Guam Congress Building 163 Chalan Santo Papa Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Re: Bill No. 48-38 (COR), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 4132 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING LIMITED LEAVE BENEFITS FOR RETIRED TEACHERS REHIRED ON CONTRACT TO FILL TEACHING VACANCIES."

Håfa Adai Mr. Speaker,

While it was unclear from the testimony presented at the hearing on Bill No. 48-38 (COR) that the addition of twenty-four (24) hours of personal leave per year or four (4) hours of sick leave per pay period would attract more retired teachers to return to the Guam Department of Education (GDOE), it clearly will not be a hindrance to their return. With the growing reliance on retired teachers returning to fill the teaching rolls at GDOE it is critical we do everything we can to make their return easier and more agreeable. As a community we are not in a position to waste all of the experience our retired teachers possess. Bill No. 48-38 (COR) is one more tool for GDOE to use in recruiting retired teachers back into the classroom.

For these reasons, I sign Bill No. 48-38 (COR) into law as *Public Law No. 38-41*.

Senseramente,

JOSHUA F. TENORIO *I Åkto Maga'låhen Guåhan*Acting Governor of Guam

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6:17 p.m. Marie Crisostomo

Enclosure(s): Bill No. 48-38 (COR) nka P.L. 38-41

cc via email: Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, Maga'hågan Guåhan, Governor of Guam

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I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2025 (FIRST) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'HÂGAN GUÂHAN

This is to certify that Bill No. 48-38 (COR), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 4132 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING LIMITED LEAVE BENEFITS FOR RETIRED TEACHERS REHIRED ON CONTRACT TO FILL TEACHING VACANCIES," was on the 31st day of July 2025, duly and regularly passed.

Frank F. Blas, Jr. Speaker Attested: V. Anthony Ada **Acting Legislative Secretary** 2025, at 7:58 o'clock A .M. Maga'håga's Office APPROV JOSHUA F. TENORIO ACTING GOVERNOR OF GUAM Date: August 18, 2025

Public Law No. 38-41

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I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2025 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 48-38 (COR)

As amended by the Committee on Education, Libraries, and Public Broadcasting; and substituted and amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 4132 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 4, TITLE 4, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING LIMITED LEAVE BENEFITS FOR RETIRED TEACHERS REHIRED ON CONTRACT TO FILL TEACHING VACANCIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds
- 3 that Guam continues to face critical teacher shortages in our public schools. The
- 4 Department of Education has historically relied on rehiring retired teachers on
- 5 contract to fill these critical vacancies. However, these contract positions currently

1	do not provide basic leave benefits that would help retain these experienced					
2	educators.					
3	I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that providing limited leave benefits to					
4	retired teachers who return to serve our students would help maintain continuity of					
5	instruction while protecting both the government's retirement system and financial					
6	interests.					
7	Section 2. A new § 4132 is hereby added to Article 1, Chapter 4, Title 4,					
8	Guam Code Annotated, to read:					
9	"§4132. Leave Benefits for Retired Teachers on Contract.					
10	(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, retired teachers who					
11	are rehired on contract by the Department of Education to fill teaching					
12	vacancies shall be entitled to accrue:					
13	(1) Personal leave at the rate of twenty-four (24) hours per					
14	school year: and					
15	(2) Sick leave at the rate of four (4) hours per pay period					
16	(b) Limitations. The following limitations shall apply to leave					
17	benefits under this Section:					
18	(1) Leave rates shall remain fixed and shall not increase based					
19	on years of service;					
20	(2) Unused leave may only be carried over for one fiscal year,					
21	after which any excess leave shall be forfeited;					
22	(3) No payment shall be made for any unused leave upon					
23	separation from service;					
24	(4) Leave taken under this Section shall not count toward					
25	service credit for retirement purposes;					
26	(5) Leave accrued under this Section shall not be eligible for					
27	the leave sharing program under §4109.2 of this Chapter.					

1	(6) The Superintendent of the Guam Department of Education					
2	shall establish procedures to implement this Section within ninety (90)					
3	days of enactment."					
4	Section 3. Effective Date. This Act shall be effective upon enactment.					
5	Section 4. Severability. If any provision of this Act or its application to any					
6	person or circumstance is found to be invalid or inorganic, such invalidity shall not					
7	affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without					
8	the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are					
9	severable.					