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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. 68-38 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND § 12107(y) OF CHAPTER 12, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LIABILITIES OF AN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL."

Håfa Adai Mr. Speaker,

Bill No. 68-38 provides notice to all Board of Trustee members of Guam charter schools, as well as any individuals or entities conducting business with a charter school, that the liabilities of a charter school will become the personal responsibility of the members of the Board of Trustees if a contract is executed without the review of the Attorney General of Guam and without the approval and signature of the Governor of Guam. This measure ensures that businesses engaging with a charter school fully understand who is responsible for complying with the terms of the contract they enter into with the charter school. It makes clear that if the Governor of Guam does not sign the contract, the Government of Guam will not be responsible for payment.

For these reasons, I sign Bill No. 68-38 (COR) into law as *Public Law No. 38-44*.

Senseramente,

JÖSHUA F. TENORIO

I Åkto Maga'låhen Guåhan

Acting Governor of Guam

Enclosure(s): Bill No. 68-38 (COR) nka P.L. 38-44

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

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

This is to certify that **Bill No. 68-38 (COR)**, "AN ACT TO AMEND § 12107(y) OF CHAPTER 12, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LIABILITIES OF AN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL," was on the 31st day of July 2025, duly and regularly passed.

Frank F. Blas, Jr. Speaker Attested: V. Anthony Ada Acting Legislative Secretary This Act was received by I Maga'hågan Guåhan this ______ day of August_, 2025, at 758 o'clock A.M. Assistant Staff Officer Maga'håga's Office JOSHUA F. TENORIO ACTING GOVERNOR OF GUAM Date: August 18, 2025

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Bill No. 68-38 (COR)

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

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO AMEND § 12107(y) OF CHAPTER 12, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LIABILITIES OF AN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

- 2 Section 1. Legislative Findings. I Liheslaturan Guåhan finds that the law
- 3 creating the Academy Charter Schools provided the organization establishing a
- 4 school had extraordinary flexibility and range to get the institution up and running.
- 5 While the charter school can operate independently from the Guam Department of
- 6 Education, it is permitted to receive funds, acquire real property, make contracts and

- leases, and incur debt without the review of the Attorney General of Guam and the
- 2 approval and signature of the Governor of Guam. The law further provided that
- 3 "upon termination of the Charter, all assets of the Charter School shall revert to the
- 4 (Guam) Department of Education." However, what the law did not address was who
- 5 is responsible for the liabilities should the Charter be terminated.
- Section 2. § 12107(y), Chapter 12, Title 17, Guam Code Annotated, is hereby *amended* to read:
- "(y) Upon termination of the Charter, all assets of the Academy
 Charter School shall revert to the Guam Department of Education. All
 liabilities are the personal responsibility of the Charter School Board of
 Trustees who approved the contract or acquisition that incurred the liability
 and that the contract or acquisition was performed without a review by the
 Attorney General of Guam and the approval and signature of the Governor of
 Guam."
- 15 **Section 3. Enactment.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.
- Section 4. Severability. If any provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid or inorganic, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.