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BILL STATUS

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53-38 (COR)	Telo T. Taitague	AN ACT TO *REPEAL* §9107 OF CHAPTER 9, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO SAFEGUARDING THE PRIVACY OF REGISTERED VOTERS, TO BE CITED AS THE "VOTER PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT OF 2025."	2/10/25 8:03 a.m.	2/19/25	Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement.	Request: 2/19/25 2/28/25	3/12/25 8:00 a.m.	3/21/25	
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	5/27/25	AN ACT TO *REPEAL* § 9107 OF CHAPTER 9, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED , RELATIVE TO SAFEGUARDING THE PRIVACY OF REGISTERED VOTERS, TO BE CITED AS THE "VOTER PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT OF 2025."	6/3/25	6/5/25	6/17/25	38-18	6/17/25	Received: 6/18/25 Mess and Comm. Doc. No. 38GL-25-0742	

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June 17, 2025

THE HON. FRANK BLAS, JR., *Speaker*
I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
38th Guam Legislature
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
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Re: Bill No. 53-38 (COR), "AN ACT TO *REPEAL* §9107 OF CHAPTER 9, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO SAFEGUARDING THE PRIVACY OF REGISTERED VOTERS, TO BE CITED AS THE 'VOTER PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT OF 2025.'"

Bill No. 55-38 (COR), "AN ACT TO *REPEAL* AND *REENACT* § 17116 OF CHAPTER 17, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO CLARIFYING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND ESTABLISHING A QUARTERLY REPORTING SYSTEM FOR GUAM ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCES."

Håfa Adai Mr. Speaker,

These two bills were introduced in coordination with the Guam Election Commission (GEC). Bill No. 53-38 addresses concerns raised by the public about the posting of the voting registration lists in a public place on election day. These concerns expressed are about the ability of individuals with nefarious intent to obtain valuable personal identifying information about voters. I agree that as a government we have an obligation to protect sensitive information our citizens provide to our agencies. With the availability of online methods for a person to determine their voter status, the absence of public lists outside of each polling station does not appear to negatively impact any substantive rights of the voters.

Bill No. 55-38 intends to simplify the reporting schedule for candidates and the political parties. Under Bill No. 55-38, the candidates have a specific date that reports are due to the GEC. This also makes it easier for the public to know when they can expect the financial information to be available for inspection. This quarterly requirement will improve the public's ability to monitor the spending of candidates and the parties.

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For these reasons I sign Bill No. 53-38 (COR) into law as Public Law ***Public Law No. 38-18*** and Bill No. 55-38 (COR) into law as Public Law ***Public Law No. 38-19.***

Senseramente,

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

Enclosure(s): Bill No. 53-38 (COR) nka P.L. 38-18
Bill No. 55-38 (COR) nka P.L. 38-19
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CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO *I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN*

This is to certify that **Bill No. 53-38 (COR), "AN ACT TO *REPEAL* § 9107 OF CHAPTER 9, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO SAFEGUARDING THE PRIVACY OF REGISTERED VOTERS, TO BE CITED AS THE 'VOTER PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT OF 2025',"** was on the 3rd day of June 2025, 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 5th day of June, 2025, at 4:56 o'clock p.M.

Evelyn C. Fejeran
Assistant Staff Officer
Maga'håga's Office

APPROVED:

Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: 6/17/2025

Public Law No. 38-18

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

Bill No. 53-38 (COR)

Introduced by: Telo T. Taitague
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AN ACT TO *REPEAL* § 9107 OF CHAPTER 9, TITLE 3, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO SAFEGUARDING THE PRIVACY OF REGISTERED VOTERS, TO BE CITED AS THE "VOTER PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT OF 2025."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the current law requiring the Guam Election Commission (GEC) to post two voter rosters or voter registration indexes outside polling precincts, exposes sensitive personal information - such as voter names, addresses, and dates of birth – to the

public. This mandate jeopardizes voter privacy and security, leaving individuals vulnerable to potential misuse of their personal information.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that the requirement to post hardcopies of voter registration indexes at each polling precinct to assist voters in confirming or locating their assigned precinct is an outdated practice that imposes unnecessary financial burdens on government resources and contributes to inefficient paper waste.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that the GEC has adapted to technological advancements and provided an online portal in the GEC website where voters can securely check their registration status and assigned voting precinct without accessing anyone else's information. This modern implementation allows for secure and sustainable methods of disseminating voter information and effectively eliminates the need for hardcopy indexes.

I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that granting the public unmonitored access to hardcopies of the voter registration indexes may be a breach of confidentiality, leaving registered voters vulnerable to the risks of exploitation and ultimately exposing the GEC to potential liabilities under criminal statutes.

Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to repeal the statutory requirement for posting voter rosters or registration indexes outside polling precincts to safeguard voter privacy, stop unnecessary financial expenditures, support efficient practices, reduce paper waste, and eliminate potential liabilities.

Section 2. § 9107 of Chapter 9, Title 3, Guam Code Annotated, is hereby *repealed.*

Section 3. 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.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Act shall be effective upon enactment.