

I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN

2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

VOTING RECORD

Bill No. 225-38 (COR) As amended by the Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement.	Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco Legislative Session Hall Guam Congress Building August 19, 2026					
NAME	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent	Excused
Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada	✓					
Senator Chris Barnett	✓					
Speaker Frank F. Blas, Jr.	✓					
Senator Vincent A.V. Borja	✓					
Senator Shelly V. Calvo	✓					
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas	✓					
Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao	✓					
Senator Jesse A. Lujan	✓					
Senator Tina Rose Muña-Barnes	✓					
Senator William A. Parkinson	✓	II				
Senator Sabina Flores Perez	✓					
Senator Sabrina Salas Matanane	✓					
Senator Joe S. San Agustin	✓					
Senator Telo T. Taitague	✓					
Senator Therese M. Terlaje	✓					

TOTAL

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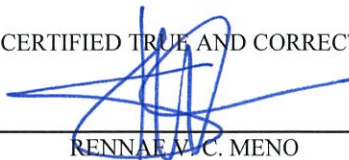
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RENNAE M.C. MENO
Clerk of the Legislature

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2025 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 225-38 (COR)

As amended by the Committee on Economic Investment,
Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology,
Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement.

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Introduced by:

Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao

AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 58110 OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 58, TITLE 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING PUBLIC INVESTMENTS AND COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER GUAM'S QUALIFYING CERTIFICATES LAW FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE RESOURCES, PUBLIC HEALTH, PUBLIC EDUCATION, CULTURAL PRESERVATION, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that through discussions with the Chief of the Guam Fire Department (GFD) regarding emergency response capabilities within Tumon, the island's tourism district, GFD has recommended for the Committee on Public Safety, Emergency Management, and Guam National Guard (Committee) to amend Guam's Qualifying Certificates (QC) Law. GFD is seeking to have the QC Law modified so that public investments and community contributions, which are required as a condition for receiving certain tax incentives, are prioritized for resources which are needed particularly in response to firefighting and rescue services involving high-rise hotels.

1 *I Liheslatura* finds that according to GFD’s FY 2026 Budget Request, the
2 Department had only seven (7) out of its fifteen (15) fire trucks operational as of
3 April 2025. Two (2) of the seven (7) fire trucks are 2024 models and the remaining
4 five (5) fire trucks are older models from 2011, 2006 (x2), 2005, and 2000,
5 respectively. As of November 2025, GFD received \$5 million in federal funding
6 from the U.S. Department of the Interior for the procurement of fuel-efficient fire
7 engines.

8 *I Liheslatura* finds that based on information provided by the Guam Economic
9 Development Authority (GEDA), the QC Law already allows for public investments
10 to be used for public safety vehicles, subject to the terms and conditions of the QC
11 and the availability of funds. However, according to GEDA records, between 2020
12 and 2025, GFD received \$50,000 or approximately 2% of \$2,461,129.88 in QC
13 Grant Funding for the same period.

14 *I Liheslatura* further finds that similar capacity challenges exist across
15 Guam’s public health infrastructure, including but not limited to the need for modern
16 healthcare equipment and facilities; public education infrastructure, including but
17 not limited to educational programs and facilities; cultural preservation initiatives;
18 and economic development initiatives, including, but not limited to workforce
19 training programs. These sectors, like public safety, are essential to the well-being
20 of residents and the sustainability of Guam’s economic development.

21 Consistent with the intent and spirit of Guam’s QC Law, 12 GCA, Chapter
22 58, which recognizes that large-scale projects place undue pressure on the island’s
23 infrastructure, *I Liheslatura* seeks to strengthen support for the critical needs of
24 Guam’s public safety, health and education agencies, cultural preservation, and
25 economic development. Through this Act, *I Liheslatura* recognizes the importance
26 of ensuring that responsible economic development occurs together with
27 investments into emergency response capabilities, public health and education

1 infrastructure, cultural preservation, and economic development initiatives
2 necessary to support Guam's long-term growth and resilience.

3 **Section 2.** § 58110 of Article 1 of Chapter 58, Title 12, Guam Code
4 Annotated, is *amended*, to read:

5 **“§ 58110. Conditions of Benefits.** In its recommendation of specific
6 tax benefits, the Authority shall consider the following as possible terms and
7 conditions to such benefits:

8 (a) Percentage of Investment. Limiting the tax benefits to a
9 percentage of the capital investment in Guam to be made by the
10 Beneficiary;

11 (b) Variable Rate. Varying the rate of tax benefits over the
12 term of the Qualifying Certificate;

13 (c) Limitation on Amount. Limiting the tax benefits to a fixed
14 dollar amount;

15 (d) Public Investments. Conditioning the tax benefits on the
16 Beneficiary's investing in or creating public improvements separate
17 from its proposed activities, including programs and projects sponsored
18 or proposed by a village's Mayor or Municipal Planning Council, and
19 investments that are made in support of:

20 (1) Public Safety emergency response resources of the
21 Government of Guam, including but not limited to, aerial ladder
22 fire trucks, ambulances, police vehicles, water rescue equipment
23 and training;

24 (2) Public Health infrastructure, including but not
25 limited to, healthcare equipment and facilities;

26 (3) Public Education infrastructure, including but not
27 limited to, educational programs and facilities;

1 (4) Cultural preservation initiatives; and

2 (5) Economic development initiatives, including but
3 not limited to, workforce training programs.

4 The Authority shall develop or amend established policies
5 requiring that a portion of Public Investments be prioritized to support
6 the immediate and long-term resource needs of the Government of
7 Guam for public safety, public health, public education, cultural
8 preservation and economic development. These Public Investments
9 authorized by the Authority shall complement, not substitute, for
10 federal grants or appropriations by *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

11 (e) Local Shareholders. Requiring the Beneficiary to offer ten
12 percent (10%) or more of its corporate equity to qualified residents of
13 Guam on terms and conditions to be established by the Authority;

14 (f) Profit-Sharing, etc. Requiring the Beneficiary to establish
15 profit-sharing and stock ownership programs and other similar benefits
16 for its employees;

17 (g) Training. Requiring the Beneficiary to (1) utilize locally-
18 based and locally-owned training services as needed; or (2) establish
19 in-house training programs that consult with locally-based experts to
20 ensure compliance of pertinent local rules and regulations as needed; or
21 (3) make contributions to an independent training or scholarship fund.
22 Initial consideration for locally-owned, locally-based training
23 businesses or services shall be given before considering and soliciting
24 businesses or services outside of Guam.

25 (h) Local Purchaser. Requiring the Beneficiary to procure
26 services or products supplied by Guam licensed vendors if the total cost

1 of the same does not exceed one hundred ten percent (110%) of the cost
2 of the same services or products available from off-island vendors.

3 (i) Local Professional Advice and Support. Requiring the
4 Beneficiary to procure and utilize Guam-licensed entities or employ
5 Guam residents that provide professional advice and support in the
6 areas of records access and legal services. Such service providers shall
7 include, but not be limited to, accountants, attorneys and auditors.
8 GEDA shall have the authority to determine which services are subject
9 to this provision of law.”

10 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Act shall become effective upon enactment,
11 and the provisions of Section 2 shall apply prospectively to Qualifying Certificates
12 which are approved by *I Maga'hågan/Maga'låhi Guåhan* after the enactment of this
13 Act.