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**THIRTY-FIRST GUAM LEGISLATURE**

June 29, 2011

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:**       **All Members**  
              Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources

**From:**     **Senator Rory J. Respicio** 

**Subject:**   **First Notice of Public Hearing – Thursday, July 7, 2011, 9:00 A.M.**

*Håfa Adai!* Please be advised that I will be conducting a **public hearing on Thursday, July 7, 2011, beginning at 9:00 A.M.**, in the Public Hearing Room to receive testimony on the following items:

- **BILL NO. 154-31 (COR)** – J.P. GUTHERTZ, DPA – AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 3104(A) AND 3105(A) TO CHAPTER 3, AND ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 20007(A) TO CHAPTER 20, AND ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 21007(A) TO CHAPTER 21, ALL OF TITLE 3 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED AND TO ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 2109(A) AND AMEND SUB SECTIONS 2110(A) AND 2111 OF CHAPTER 21, TITLE 1 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE REGISTRATION, EDUCATION CAMPAIGN AND VOTING PROCESS FOR THE PLEBISCITE ON POLITICAL STATUS FOR GUAM.
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Written testimony should be addressed to Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson, Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources, and may be submitted via email to [cor@guamlegislature.org](mailto:cor@guamlegislature.org); fax to (671) 472-3547; or hand-delivery/mail to 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910. Should special assistance or accommodations be required, please contact Elaine Tajalle at my office at (671) 472-7679 or by e-mail at [etajalle@guamlegislature.org](mailto:etajalle@guamlegislature.org). *Si Yu'os ma'åse'!*

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**Senator Rory J. Respicio** <cor@guamlegislature.org>

Wed, Jun 29, 2011 at 5:10 PM

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Please see attached for the first notice of the public hearing scheduled for Thursday, July 7, 2011 at 9:00 AM.

Thank you,  
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For Immediate Release

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For copies of the above mentioned bills please visit the Guam Legislature's website at [www.guamlegislature.com](http://www.guamlegislature.com). Testimony should be addressed to Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson, and may be submitted via hand-delivery/mail to our office or our mailbox at the Main Legislature Building at 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910; via e-mail to [cor@guamlegislature.org](mailto:cor@guamlegislature.org); or via facsimile to (671) 472-3547. Individuals requiring special accommodations, auxiliary aids, or services shall contact and submit their request to Elaine Tajalle at 472-7679.

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Hafa Adai:

Please see attached media release regarding the first notice of the public hearing scheduled for next Thursday, July 7, 2011 at 9:00 AM in the Legislature's Public Hearing Room.

Thank you,  
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**THIRTY-FIRST GUAM LEGISLATURE**

July 1, 2011

**VIA E-MAIL**

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**The Honorable Edward JB Calvo**

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**RE: Notice of Public Hearing – Thursday, July 7, 2011 – 9:00 A.M.**

Dear Governor Calvo:

*Hafa adai.* Please be advised that, in my capacity as the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources, I will be conducting a public hearing on **Thursday, July 7, 2011 at 9:00 A.M.** in the Legislature's Public Hearing Room. Among the items on the day's agenda, is the consideration of **Bill No. 154-31 (COR)** – J.P. Guthertz, DPA – "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 3104(A) AND 3105(A) TO CHAPTER 3, AND ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 20007(A) TO CHAPTER 20, AND ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 21007(A) TO CHAPTER 21, ALL OF TITLE 3 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED AND TO ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 2109(A) AND AMEND SUB SECTIONS 2110(A) AND 2111 OF CHAPTER 21, TITLE 1 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE REGISTRATION, EDUCATION CAMPAIGN AND VOTING PROCESS FOR THE PLEBISCITE ON POLITICAL STATUS FOR GUAM."

I invite you, or your designee, to appear before this committee and provide testimony on Bill 154-31, a copy of which can be found by visiting the Legislature's website at *www.guamlegislature.com*. Please feel free to extend this invitation to other interested members of our community. Testimony should be addressed to Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson, Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources, and may be hand-delivered or mailed to the Office of Senator Rory J. Respicio at 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910; e-mailed to *cor@guamlegislature.org*; or faxed to (671) 472-3547. I look forward to your attendance and participation.

Very truly yours,

  
**Rory J. Respicio**

cc: Frank Arriola, Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor  
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## Public Hearing Notice - Thu, Jul 7, 2011, 9AM

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Senator Rory J. Respicio <cor@guamlegislature.org>

Fri, Jul 1, 2011 at 11:31 AM

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Hafa Adai Governor Calvo:

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## PH Notice-Bill 154: Thu, Jul 7, 9AM

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Fri, Jul 1, 2011 at 3:35 PM

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Hafa Adai All:

The **public hearing on Bill No. 154-31 (COR)** - "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 3104(A) AND 3105(A) TO CHAPTER 3, AND ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 20007(A) TO CHAPTER 20, AND ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 21007(A) TO CHAPTER 21, ALL OF TITLE 3 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED AND TO ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 2109(A) AND AMEND SUB SECTIONS 2110(A) AND 2111 OF CHAPTER 21, TITLE 1 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE REGISTRATION, EDUCATION CAMPAIGN AND VOTING PROCESS FOR THE PLEBISCITE ON POLITICAL STATUS FOR GUAM", has been scheduled for next **Thursday, July 7, 2011 at 9:00 AM** in the Legislature's Public Hearing Room. Attached, please find a copy of the first public notice of the hearing, as well as a copy of the agenda, both of which include information on obtaining a copy of the bill and submitting testimony, should you be interested.

Thank you,  
Rory

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**Rory J. Respicio**  
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**THIRTY-FIRST GUAM LEGISLATURE**

July 5, 2011

**MEMORANDUM**

**To: All Members**  
Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources

**From: Senator Rory J. Respicio** 

**Subject: Second Notice of Public Hearing – Thursday, July 7, 2011, 9:00 A.M.**

*Håfa Adai!* Please be advised that I will be conducting a **public hearing on Thursday, July 7, 2011, beginning at 9:00 A.M.**, in the Public Hearing Room to receive testimony on the following items (to be heard in the order indicated):

1. **BILL NO. 253-31 (COR)** – C.M. DUENAS – AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 2110 TO CHAPTER 2, TITLE 2, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING A REPORT FROM THE LAND PLANNING DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF LAND MANAGEMENT FOR ANY ZONING LEGISLATION.
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Written testimony should be addressed to Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson, Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources, and may be submitted via email to [cor@guamlegislature.org](mailto:cor@guamlegislature.org); fax to (671) 472-3547; or hand-delivery/mail to 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910. Should special assistance or accommodations be required, please contact Elaine Tajalle at my office at (671) 472-7679 or by e-mail at [etajalle@guamlegislature.org](mailto:etajalle@guamlegislature.org). *Si Yu'os ma'åse'!*

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Please see attached for the second notice of the public hearing scheduled for Thursday, July 7, 2011 at 9:00 AM.

Thank you,  
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For copies of the above mentioned bills please visit the Guam Legislature's website at [www.guamlegislature.com](http://www.guamlegislature.com). Testimony should be addressed to Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson, and may be submitted via hand-delivery/mail to our office or our mailbox at the Main Legislature Building at 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910; via e-mail to [cor@guamlegislature.org](mailto:cor@guamlegislature.org); or via facsimile to (671) 472-3547. Individuals requiring special accommodations, auxiliary aids, or services shall contact and submit their request to Elaine Tajalle at 472-7679.

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Please see attached media release regarding the second notice of the public hearing scheduled for this Thursday, July 7, 2011 at 9:00 AM in the Legislature's Public Hearing Room.

Thank you,  
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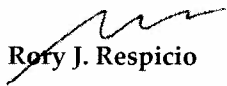
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Dear Congresswoman Bordallo:

*Hafa adai.* Please be advised that, in my capacity as the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesia Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources, I will be conducting a public hearing on **Thursday, July 7, 2011 at 9:00 A.M.** in the Legislature's Public Hearing Room. Among the items on the day's agenda, is the consideration of **Bill No. 154-31 (COR)** – J.P. Guthertz, DPA – "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 3104(A) AND 3105(A) TO CHAPTER 3, AND ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 20007(A) TO CHAPTER 20, AND ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 21007(A) TO CHAPTER 21, ALL OF TITLE 3 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED AND TO ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 2109(A) AND AMEND SUB SECTIONS 2110(A) AND 2111 OF CHAPTER 21, TITLE 1 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE REGISTRATION, EDUCATION CAMPAIGN AND VOTING PROCESS FOR THE PLEBISCITE ON POLITICAL STATUS FOR GUAM."

I invite you, or your designee, to appear before this committee and provide testimony on Bill 154-31, a copy of which can be found by visiting the Legislature's website at [www.guamlegislature.com](http://www.guamlegislature.com). Please feel free to extend this invitation to other interested members of our community. Testimony should be addressed to Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson, Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesia Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources, and may be hand-delivered or mailed to the Office of Senator Rory J. Respicio at 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910; e-mailed to [cor@guamlegislature.org](mailto:cor@guamlegislature.org); or faxed to (671) 472-3547. I look forward to your attendance and participation.

Very truly yours,

  
**Rory J. Respicio**

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Your assistance in forwarding this message to the Congresswoman would be much appreciated.

Thank you,  
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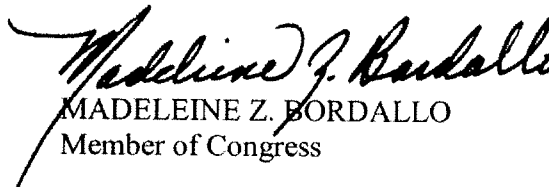
The Honorable Rory J. Respicio  
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Dear Senator  Respicio,

I write in response to your letter dated July 5, 2011 regarding the Committee on Rules; Federal Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources' hearing on Bill No. 154-31 (COR), an act to add "a new sub item 3104(A) and 3105(A) to Chapter 3, and add a new sub item 20007(A) to Chapter 20, and add a new sub item 21007(A) to Chapter 21, all of Title 3 Guam code annotated and to add a new sub item 2109(A) and amend sub sections 2110(A) and 2111 of chapter 21, Title 1 Guam code annotated relative to the registration, education campaign and voting process for the plebiscite on political status for Guam."

I appreciate the invitation to testify before your committee on this important issue, however, I will be unable to participate in the hearing on Thursday, July 7, 2011 on Guam. Please have your staff contact my Senior Policy Advisor, Mr. Kin Perez at [Joaquin.perez@mail.house.gov](mailto:Joaquin.perez@mail.house.gov) or 477-4272 regarding this issue.

Sincerely,

  
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# SENATOR RORY J. RESPICIO

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THIRTY-FIRST GUAM LEGISLATURE

## PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, July 7, 2011 • 9:00 AM

Legislature's Public Hearing Room • Hagåtña, Guam

## AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Announcements
- III. Items for Public Consideration
  1. **BILL NO. 253-31 (COR)** – C.M. DUENAS – AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 2110 TO CHAPTER 2, TITLE 2, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO REQUIRING A REPORT FROM THE LAND PLANNING DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF LAND MANAGEMENT FOR ANY ZONING LEGISLATION.
  2. **BILL NO. 193-31 (COR)** – C.M. DUENAS – AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §44115 TO CHAPTER 44 OF TITLE 22, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, ESTABLISHING A SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR ECONOMICALLY-DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS SEEKING CAREERS IN THE CONSTRUCTION TRADES; PROVIDING FUNDING SOURCES FOR THE PROGRAM; AND, CITING THIS ACT AS THE "BUILDING GUAM'S TRADES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM."
  3. **BILL NO. 244-31 (COR)** – B.J.F. CRUZ – AN ACT TO ADD A NEW ITME (I) TO §7118.1 OF CHAPTER 7 OF TITLE 22 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO REQUIRING THE DISCLOSURE OF AN EMPLOYER'S NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER IN ADVERTISEMENTS OF JOB OPPORTUNITIES REQUIRED FOR CERTIFICATE OF TEMPORARY ALIEN LABOR.

4. **BILL NO. 245-31 (COR)** – B.J.F. CRUZ – AN ACT TO ADD A NEW ITEM TO §7118.1 OF CHAPTER 7 OF TITLE 22 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO PROHIBITING NON-IMMIGRANT TEMPORARY WORKERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION OF PERSONNEL OR THE PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR TEMPORARY ALIEN LABOR CERTIFICATION.
5. **BILL NO. 246-31 (COR)** – B.J.F. CRUZ – AN ACT TO ADD A NEW ITEM (Q) TO §1106 OF ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 1 OF TITLE 22 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO REQUIRING THE DIRECTOR OF LABOR TO POST JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT MAYORS' OFFICES.
6. **BILL NO. 254-31 (COR)** – R.J. RESPICIO – AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUBITEM (J) TO §9104 OF CHAPTER 9, TITLE 22, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE FOR INJURED INDIVIDUALS CERTIFIED BY THE WORKER'S COMPENSATION PROGRAM.
7. **BILL NO. 154-31 (COR)** – J.P. GUTHERTZ, DPA – AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 3104(A) AND 3105(A) TO CHAPTER 3, AND ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 20007(A) TO CHAPTER 20, AND ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 21007(A) TO CHAPTER 21, ALL OF TITLE 3 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED AND TO ADD A NEW SUB ITEM 2109(A) AND AMEND SUB SECTIONS 2110(A) AND 2111 OF CHAPTER 21, TITLE 1 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO THE REGISTRATION, EDUCATION CAMPAIGN AND VOTING PROCESS FOR THE PLEBISCITE ON POLITICAL STATUS FOR GUAM.

**IV. Closing Remarks**

**V. Adjournment**

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For copies of the above mentioned bills, please visit the Guam Legislature's website at [www.guamlegislature.com](http://www.guamlegislature.com). Testimony should be addressed to Senator Rory J. Respicio, Chairperson, and may be submitted via hand-delivery to our office or our mailbox at the Main Legislature Building at 155 Hesler Place, Hagatna, Guam 96910, via e-mail to [cor@guamlegislature.com](mailto:cor@guamlegislature.com), or via facsimile to (671) 472-3547. Individuals requiring special accommodations, auxiliary aids, or services shall contact and submit their request to Elaine Tajalle at our office. For more information, please call 472-7679. We look forward to your attendance and participation. *Si Yu'os ma'åse'!*

**Media Reports on  
Bill No. 154-31 (COR)**





July 25, 2011

## More than 4K on Decolonization Registry

*By Erin Thompson  
Pacific Daily News*

More than 4,000 people are now on the Decolonization Registry, following a push at last week's Liberation Day parade to get Guam residents to sign up.

During the parade, Sen. Ben Pangelinan's office opened their doors to those wanted to add their names to the Registry, which contains names of those eligible to vote in a plebiscite to determine Guam's political status.

Guam law requires that the island's native inhabitants vote on the three political status options -- statehood, independence or free association with the United States. But in order for the vote to take place, 70 percent of those determined to be native inhabitants, or their descendants, must be signed up on the Decolonization Registry.

Based on estimates of those living on the island in 1950, the number needed to register to have the plebiscite is about 31,500, according to Pacific Daily News files.

In order to vote in the plebiscite, however, those on the Decolonization Registry would also have to be registered voters, Pangelinan said.

That definition of the law differs with an interpretation by Maria I.D. Pangelinan, the executive director of the Guam Election Commission. Maria Pangelinan has said her understanding of the law is that before the vote can take place, 70 percent of those on the registry must be registered to vote. Thus, whether there are 10,000 or 10 voters, the plebiscite can take place once that voter registration requirement is met.

The registry is separate from the Chamorro Registry, and those on the Decolonization Registry don't necessarily have to be Chamorro, the senator said. The only requirement to be eligible is to have been made a U.S. citizen by the Organic Act in 1950, or to be descended from someone who did.

"So if a Filipino was here, and made citizen by The Organic Act, that Filipino is eligible," the senator said.

Sen. Pangelinan said his office has been spearheading efforts during Liberation festivities to register people for the Decolonization Registry for the last four or five years, and has seen an increase in interest.

The challenge is convincing them to take the next step to get on the list, he added.

In order to register, eligible people must actually go to an office to be photographed, providing an extra hurdle for many. But Sen. Pangelinan said his office is working on creating a system where IDs can be photographed on the spot.

As of July 15, 3,843 names were on the Registry, according to numbers provided by the Guam Election Commission. Another 5,000 or 6,000 from Chamorro Land Trust applicants are being reconciled with the current list, which could boost the total number, Sen. Pangelinan said.

To speed up the process of calling a vote, Sen. Judith Guthertz has introduced a bill that sets a hard

deadline for the vote in 2014, and which would eliminate the 70-percent requirement altogether.

Bill 154 requires the Guam Election Commission to hold a self-determination vote during the 2014 primary election. Ahead of the vote, the GEC would have to set up a registration system at all voting precincts during the mid-term election next year.

"My thinking was that I didn't want that to be an impediment to finally schedule a date for a vote," Guthertz said. "And that has seemed to be ... the primary reason why there has been a prolonged delay to get enough eligible voters to register."

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July 15, 2011

## Election Commission looks at plebiscite

*By Erin Thompson  
Pacific Daily News*

The Guam Election Commission commissioners gave themselves homework at the end of last night's regular meeting -- to read sections of Guam law and analyze the exact meaning of language on the political status plebiscite.

The assignment came in response to a discussion on Bill 154, which proposes changes to current law regarding the political status vote, and which prompted larger questions about the content and intent of current law as it relates to the plebiscite.

Guam law requires that the island's native inhabitants vote on the three political status options -- statehood, independence or free association with the United States.

The Commission on Decolonization was created in 1997 and given the task of creating a registry of Chamorro voters -- defined by law as those living on Guam who were made U.S. citizens by the Organic Act in 1950, and their descendants -- and holding a non-binding plebiscite vote on political status.

Bill 154, introduced by Sen. Judith Guthertz, attempts to get the plebiscite back on track by requiring that the Guam Election Commission hold a self-determination vote during the 2014 primary election. Ahead of the vote, the Guam Election Commission would be required to set up a registration system at all voting precincts during the mid-term election next year.

During the GEC meeting, board members expressed concern about both the cost and the logistical difficulty of registering people for the Decolonization Registry during the next primary and general elections.

Democratic board member Josh Tenorio said he supported registering people during the elections, but said he wanted to make sure that the registration process did not confuse or conflict with the voting process. Another concern expressed by board members was about ambiguity of language in the bill, and whether the Guam Election Commission would be required to hold education campaigns as defined in the bill.

The bill notes that the "Commission" should develop an extensive public education campaign throughout the island, but GEC members said they were unsure if the GEC or the Commission on Decolonization would be responsible for that task.

Sen. Judith Guthertz did not return a phone call made after 6 p.m.

If passed, Bill 154 would also eliminate a clause requiring that the Registry meet a certain threshold of Chamorro voters before the vote can take place.

Maria I.D. Pangelinan, the executive director of the Guam Election Commission, said her understanding of the law is that before the vote can take place, 70 percent of those on the registry must be registered to vote. Thus, whether there are 10,000 or 10 voters, the plebiscite can take place once that voter registration requirement is met.

"The way the law reads now it's 70 percent of the Registry has to be registered to vote," Pangelinan

said.

That conflicts with other interpretations of the law, which include requiring 70 percent of registered voters to be on the Decolonization Registry, and 70 percent of the total Chamorro population calculated based on birth and death rates, to be registered to vote.

In order to get 70 percent of the Decolonization Registry registered to vote, Pangelinan said she is actively working to update GEC's records, which currently have 3,843 names on the Registry. She said GEC is cross-checking those registered through the Chamorro Land Trust, which are automatically added to the Decolonization Registry, to eliminate duplicates, and is working on a website that will eventually list all of the names on the registry. GEC also held a voter registrar training for 21 volunteers in June, and Pangelinan said she went through the training herself.

## Additional Facts

### IF YOU GO

•**What:** Guam Election Commission's next regular meeting

•**When:** 4 p.m., Aug. 17

•**Where:** GCIC Building, Suite 202

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## Bill aims to set date for plebiscite

Written by

Oyao! Ngirairiki  
Pacific Daily News

2:00 PM, Jul. 8, 2011|

A bill that would remove the requirement for 70 percent of Guam's native inhabitants to register for a plebiscite was heard yesterday, but didn't draw much comment.

Sen. Judith Guthertz, who introduced the bill, said agencies involved in the discussion to change Guam's status from an unincorporated territory to something more defined were notified of the meeting.

"I'm not disappointed that there wasn't a showing," Guthertz said. "What's important is that we move forward."

The Commission on Decolonization was not represented at the meeting. Executive Director Ed Alvarez said he had meetings scheduled yesterday that kept him from attending the meeting.

He later noted that he agrees that creating a date is a good start. He said he would like clarification on what the removal of the 70 percent requirement means to the Chamorro Registry. Alvarez said he needs to ensure the commission convenes and begins an educational campaign on the plebiscite.

Bill 154 sets the plebiscite vote for the

2014 Primary Election, which Guthertz said is the ultimate goal.

"I believe that once we have a date, then we have a concrete goal and everything else will fall into place," she said. "If all my bill does is set the date, then I'm happy."

### Hurdle

Guthertz said including other changes in the bill, like removing the 70 percent requirement, is something that can be changed, but at the very least the bill raises the question of whether that particular requirement is needed.

"To me that has been the hurdle. I don't think 70 percent is achievable. The first law was passed in the '90s and the registry doesn't show a lot of people registered. So in my draft I included the 70 percent for discussion purposes," she said.

The Commission on Decolonization was created in 1997 and given the task of

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creating a registry of Chamorro voters -- defined by law as those living on Guam who were made U.S. citizens by the Organic Act in 1950, and their descendants -- and holding a non-binding plebiscite vote on political status.

Under current law, the vote on the three political status options -- statehood, independence or free association with the United States -- can't take place until 70 percent of eligible voters are registered in the Chamorro registry. Based on estimates of the Chamorro population living on the island, the number of Chamorros needed to register to have the plebiscite is about 31,500, according to the Pacific Daily News files.

## Moving target

The problem with the 70 percent threshold, according to Robert Underwood, University of Guam president and former Guam Delegate to Washington D.C., is it's based on a moving target, which itself is a moving target.

"People turn 18 and others pass away so your population of Chamorro people are going to change," he said. He said removing the 70 percent requirement also removes the issue of defining the moving target.

But he also noted that the idea of a Chamorro registry itself can be debated.

"People like me are going to say 'I know I'm Chamorro, why do I have to register?'" he said.

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## Public hearing for 7 bills set for tomorrow

Written by

Pacific Daily News  
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2:00 PM, Jul. 6, 2011|

The Legislature's Committee on Rules; Federal, Foreign & Micronesian Affairs; and Human & Natural Resources will be conducting a public hearing starting at 9 a. m. tomorrow in the Legislature's public hearing room.

Testimony will be heard on the following bills:

- Bill 253, introduced by Sen. Chris Duenas, would require a report from the Land Planning Division of the Department of Land Management for any zoning legislation;

- Bill 193, also introduced by Duenas, would establish a scholarship program for economically disadvantaged students seeking careers in the construction trades, providing funding sources for the program;

- Bill 244, introduced by Vice Speaker Benjamin Cruz, would require the disclosure of an employer's name, address and telephone number in advertisements of job opportunities required for certificate of temporary alien labor;

- Bill 245, also introduced by Cruz, would prohibit non-immigrant temporary workers admitted to Guam under the H-2B program to participate in the recruitment and selection of personnel or the processing of applications for temporary alien labor certification;

- Bill 246, also introduced by Cruz, would require the director of Guam's Department of Labor to post job opportunities at mayors' offices;

- Bill 254, introduced by Sen. Rory Respicio, would authorize administrative leave for injured individuals certified by the worker's compensation program; and

- Bill 154, introduced by Sen. Judith Guthertz, is relative to the registration, education campaign and voting process for the plebiscite on Guam's political status.

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## Roundtable focuses on political status

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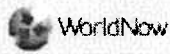
by [Nick Delgado](#)

Guam - A roundtable meeting will be held at the end of this week on three separate measures dealing with Guam's political status. Senator Rory Respicio, who will chair the meeting, says first up for discussion is Bill 151, introduced by Senator Tina Muna Barnes that would consider Guam's voter's during the 2012 General Election to conduct a non-binding straw poll to determine preferred political status for Guam.

Also on the agenda are Bills 154 and 168. Those pieces of legislation were introduced by Senator Judi Guthertz, and is relative to the registration, education campaign and voting process for the plebiscite on political status, while the second bill considers Guam voters to determine whether residents support any reunification with the CNMI.

She said, "Rather than have a public hearing on these bills that have competing outcomes, really to have a roundtable discussion to call in the stakeholders the people that have been plowing the trenches for decades really to have a greater participation and want to have the people of Guam have their right to self-determination."

The roundtable is scheduled for this Friday at 2pm at the Legislature's Public Hearing Room.



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## Bill requires 2014 vote on plebiscite

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*Updated: Apr 15, 2011 2:53 PM*

by [Sabrina Salas Matanane](#)

Guam - Guam's leaders are continuing their efforts to once and for all resolve the island's political status. It was the focus of a community forum last week, and the speaker's weekly address this week, and today Senator Judi Guthertz has introduced legislation that would amend local law that would lead to a 2014 vote on the question.

As it is now, Guam law ties holding a plebiscite to achieving a 70% registration of those defined as native inhabitants of Guam. Bill 154 would remove the 70% requirement and would direct the Guam Election Commission to setup a registration system at all island voting precincts in addition to the GEC.

The registration process would occur when voters head to the polls during next year's primary and general elections.



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**Sign-in Sheet & Transcription  
of May 25, 2011 Roundtable  
on Political Status Bills,  
Including Bill No. 154-31 (COR)**

**SENATOR RORY J. RESPICIO**  
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