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MEMORANDUM

To: **All Senators, Stakeholders, Media**

From: **Senator Shawn Gumataotao** 
Chairman, Committee on Public Safety, Emergency Management, and Guam National Guard, *and*
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas
Chairman, Committee on Finance and Government Operations

Subject: **First Notice of Public Hearing & Joint Public Hearing – Tuesday, October 14, 2025, 8:30 a.m.; 1:00 p.m.**

Buenas yan Hafa adai! Please be advised that the Committee on Public Safety, Emergency Management, and Guam National Guard will conduct a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, October 14, 2025**, in the Public Hearing Room of the Guam Congress Building in *Hagåtña*. A Joint Public Hearing is also scheduled on the same date by the Committee on Public Safety, Emergency Management, and Guam National Guard and the Committee on Finance and Government Operations.

The agenda includes the following discussion items:

- 8:30 a.m. Public Hearing of the Committee on Public Safety, Emergency Management, and Guam National Guard
- **Bill No. 184-38 (COR)** by Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao: **AN ACT TO AMEND § 14.101, TO ADD A NEW § 14.104.2(f), AND TO AMEND § 14.105, ALL OF ARTICLE 14.1, CHAPTER 1, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE, ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO STRENGTHENING HOMELAND SECURITY SERVICES FOR THE PEOPLE OF GUAM BY REQUIRING MERIT-BASED GRANTS MANAGEMENT AND FUSION CENTER DIRECTOR POSITIONS, AND REQUIRING THE SUBMISSION OF PROJECT PERFORMANCE, COMPLIANCE, AND FINANCIAL REPORTS.**
- 1:00 p.m. Joint Public Hearing of the Committee on Public Safety, Emergency Management, and Guam National Guard and the Committee on Finance and Government Operations
- **Bill No. 179-38 (COR)** by Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao: **AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 65 OF TITLE 10, TO AMEND § 14.107 OF ARTICLE 14.1,**

CHAPTER 1, TITLE 5, AND TO AMEND § 22402 OF ARTICLE 4, CHAPTER 22, TITLE 5, ALL OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ABOLISHING THE OFFICE OF CIVIL DEFENSE AND STRENGTHENING THE ADMINISTRATION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS BY CREATING THE BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WITHIN THE GUAM FIRE DEPARTMENT AND ASSIGNING RESPONSIBILITIES THERETO.

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The Public Hearings will broadcast on local television, GTA Channel 21, Docomo Channel 117 and stream online via *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*'s live feed. A recording of the hearings will be available online via Guam Legislature Media on YouTube after the hearings.

How to Participate

If you are interested in participating in the Public Hearings to provide testimony, please contact the Office of Senator Shawn Gumataotao at (671) 647-1409/1411 or via email at office.senatorshawn@guamlegislature.gov no later than Monday, October 13, 2025, for further guidance.

If written testimonies are to be presented at the Public Hearings, testimonies may be submitted before October 14, 2025, and they should be addressed to Senator Shawn Gumataotao, Chairman of the Committee on Public Safety, Emergency Management, and Guam National Guard. Testimonies may be submitted via Senator Gumataotao's mailbox located at the Guam Congress Building in *Hagåtña* or via email to his office.

Special Accommodations

Individuals requiring special accommodations, auxiliary aids or services are asked to submit their request to Ms. Diana Topasna at the Office of Senator Shawn Gumataotao at (671) 647-1409/1411, 120 Father Duenas Avenue Capitol Plaza Building, Suite 103, *Hagåtña*, Guam 96910, or via email at office.senatorshawn@guamlegislature.gov. *Si Yu'os Ma'åse'!*