



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SIXTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2009

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
5 th Day, Fourth Regular Session	Wednesday, September 23, 2009	1:00 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FINAL – 9/23/09 AM

A Moment of Silence

- 1. ROLL CALL**
- 2. ADOPTION OF JOURNALS – None**
- 3. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

House Bills:

H. B. No. 16-278: To repeal and re-enact the CNMI Youth Congress Act; and for other purposes. (Rep. Stanley T. Torres)

House Legislative Initiatives:

House Local Bills:

- 4. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

House Commemorative Resolutions:

House Resolutions:

House Concurrent Resolutions:

House Joint Resolutions:

5. **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR** - None
6. **SENATE COMMUNICATIONS** - None
7. **HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS**
8. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH** - None
9. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE NMI DELEGATE (U.S. CONGRESS)** - None
10. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES** - None
11. **OTHER COMMUNICATIONS** - None
12. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES** - None
13. **REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES** - None
14. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None
15. **RESOLUTION CALENDAR**

Resolutions		
H. J. R. NO. 16-30	To support the development and implementation of a Beach Road Corridor Improvement Project in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.	
H. R. NO. 16-94	Recognizing and commending Dr. Vicente Sablan Aldan for his achievements and community service to the people of the Commonwealth and for his success at the Saipan Health Clinic and the Saint Jude Renal Care Facility	
H. R. NO. 16-6, HD1	Recognizing the need to assist the disabled citizens of our islands in their parking needs at the front of the Legislature. [S. C. R. No. 16-116]	

16. BILL CALENDAR

Bills/Initiatives		
1	H. B. NO. 16-201	To establish a government service severance package for employees funded by the General Fund with at least eighteen years of government service; and for other purposes.
2	H. L. I. NO. 16-8	To amend Article XII of the Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands by adding a new Section 7 to allow each senatorial district to amend or repeal the restrictions on alienation of land with respect to its senatorial district [<i>See S. C. R. No. 16-60, Subst. 1</i>]
4	H. B. NO. 16-15	To amend Title 1 CMC § 8365 to establish that the Northern Marianas Retirement Fund receive its tax revenue from the hotel occupancy tax and alcoholic container tax directly into a special fund within the Department of Finance. [<i>See S. C. R. No. 16-83</i>]
5	H. B. NO. 16-235	To amend 2 CMC § 7113(e)(3) regarding the erection of temporary structures used for public events; and for other purposes.
6	H. B. NO. 16-68, SD1	To repeal and reenact 1 CMC § 8364, as amended by Public Law 15-70, Section 4(j), to allow annuitants to enroll in the Commonwealth government health care program, and to amend 1 CMC § 8392; and for other purposes. [<i>See SEN. COMM. 16-165</i>]
7	H. B. NO. 16-178, HD1	To repeal and replace Title 6, Division 5, Chapters 1 and 2 and create a comprehensive juvenile justice system that will protect the community, hold the juvenile accountable for his or her actions, and assist the juvenile in developing skills to become a contributing member of a diverse community; to establish a system for the appointment and regulation of guardians ad litem to support juveniles and the community at large; and for other purposes. [<i>See S. C. R. No. 16-92</i>]
8	H. B. NO. 16-210, HD1	To restructure the Qualifying Certificate Program by repealing and re-enacting the Investment Incentive Act; and for other purposes. [<i>See S. C. R. No. 16-94</i>]
9	H. L. I. NO. 16-18, HD1	To amend Article XI, Section 5(g) of the NMI Constitution to authorize the Department of Public Lands to reserve twenty percent of its operational expense to pay and satisfy land compensation claims; and for other purposes. [<i>See S. C. R. No. 16-96</i>]
10	H. B. NO. 16-254	To amend 1 CMC Section 8314(a) to provide for additional eighth Trustee to the Board of Trustees of the Retirement Fund; and for other purposes. [<i>S. C. R. No. 16-102</i>]
11	H. B. NO. 16-230	To amend Title 6, Section 2223 to provide the Department of Public Safety with the authority to dispose of all firearms within its custody and to required DPS to promulgate rules and regulations for the fair and safe disposition of all firearms within its custody; and for other purposes. [<i>S. C. R. No. 16-103</i>]
12	H. B. NO. 16-157	To establish an Incompetency Determination Act; and for other purposes. [<i>S. C. R. No. 16-105</i>]
13	H. B. NO. 16-160	To repeal and reenact 1 CMC § 8392; and for other purposes. [<i>S. C. R. No. 16-106</i>]

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14	H. B. NO. 16-38	To repeal Section 3 of Public Law 13-1, to repeal and reenact Chapters 1-3, to repeal and reenact Chapters 1-3 of Part 1 of Division 8 of Title 1 of the Commonwealth Code; and for other purposes. [S. C. R. No. 16-107]	
15	H. B. NO. 16-116	To establish standard guidelines for employees on military leave pursuant to the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act, Chapter 43 of Title 38 U.S.C.; and for other purposes. [S. C. R. No. 16-108]	
16	H. B. NO. 16-238	To amend 4 CMC § 50144(b) increasing fines to deter retailers from selling tobacco products to minors; and for other purposes. [S. C. R. No. 16-109]	
17	H. B. NO. 16-122	To repeal Division 4 of Title 1 of the Commonwealth Code; and for other purposes. [S. C. R. No. 16-110]	
18	H. L. I. NO. 16-23	To amend Article III, Section 11 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to authorize the election of an Attorney General; and for other purposes. [S. C. R. No. 16-112]	
19	S. B. NO. 16-27, SS1, HS1	To require all contractors to be licensed in the CNMI; and for other purposes. [S. C. R. No. 16-113]	
20	S. B. NO. 16-9, CS1, HD1	To amend 1 CMC § 553(k) to provide for a three percent (3%) simple interest rate for outstanding obligations of the Commonwealth; to amend 7 CMC § 4101 governing the award of prejudgment and post judgment interest against the Commonwealth; to amend 7 CMC § 101 concerning pre and post judgment interest generally; to codify a policy concerning the payment of tax rebates without penalties and interest; to amend 7 CMC § 2205 regarding the sovereign immunity of the Commonwealth in the payment of money judgment; and for other purposes. [S. C. R. No. 16-114]	
21	H. B. NO. 16-154, HS1	To establish a Special Education Scholarship Program for students pursuing a post-graduate or post-baccalaureate degree in special education; and for other purposes. [S. C. R. No. 16-115]	

17. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

18. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(ADJOURNMENT)

APPEARANCE OF LOCAL BILLS

FIRST APPEARANCE: 1st Legislative appearance of a local bill is on the day it is introduced.

SECOND APPEARANCE:

H. L. B. NO. 16-46: To amend the Saipan Zoning Law of 2009, 10 CMC § 3511; and for other purposes.
(Rep. Rosemond B. Santos)

THIRD APPEARANCE: NONE

H. L. B. NO. 16-44: A Local Bill Appropriation Bill for An Act for the First Senatorial District to appropriate \$10,000.00 from the local license fees collected from pachinko slot machines and poker machines in the First Senatorial District for the Rota Liaison Office; and for other purposes. (Rep. Victor B. Hocog)

H. L. B. NO. 16-45: A Local Bill for an Act to name an existing unnamed road; and for other purposes.
(Rep. Joseph C. Reyes)