



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
SIXTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE  
THIRD REGULAR SESSION

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
5th Day, Third Regular Session	Tuesday, February 3, 2009	9:30 a.m.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

*A Moment of Silence*

*FINAL 2/3/09*

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

*House Bills:*

H. B. NO. 16-218: To amend 9 CMC § 8210(a) increasing fines to deter motorists from driving without the mandatory liability insurance; and for other purposes. (Rep. David M. Apatang)

*House Legislative Initiatives:*

*House Local Bills:*

- 4. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

*House Commemorative Resolutions:*

*House Resolutions:*

H. R. NO. 16-73: A House Resolution requesting Governor Benigno R. Fitial to reconsider his decision and award the Public School System with the grant for the renovation of dilapidated buildings at the Gregorio T. Camacho Elementary School. (Rep. Ray N. Yumul +1)

H. R. NO. 16-74: A House Resolution to create a Special Investigative Committee for the purpose of investigating allegations against Lieutenant Governor Timothy P. Villagomez and presenting a report of findings and recommendations to the House of Representatives as to whether cause exists for impeachment. (Rep. Christina M. Sablan)

*House Concurrent Resolutions:*

*House Joint Resolutions:*

## **5. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

GOV. COMM. 16-319: (1/30/09) Executive Order 2009-01 - Declaration of State of Disaster Emergency: CUC's Imminent Generation Failure and the need to Provide Immediate Reliable Power during Repairs (Continuation #6).

## **6. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS**

SEN. COMM. 16-121: (2/2/09) Returning H. B. NO. 16-4, HD4 (CNMI Government and Public Deposit Safety Act of 2008), which was passed by the Senate without amendment on January 30, 2009. [For info – Will go to Governor]]

SEN. COMM. 16-122: (2/2/09) Returning H. B. NO. 16-215 (\$40,000 for the Anyuta Island Revetment Repair Project), which was passed by the Senate without amendment on January 30, 2009. [For info – Will go to Governor]

SEN. COMM. 16-123: (2/2/09) Returning H. J. R. NO. 16-22 (Express condolences to the bereaved family of the late Honorable Gregorio Villagomez De Leon Guerrero ("Lo Apa"), which was adopted by the Senate without amendment on January 30, 2009. [For info]

## **7. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS - None**

## **8. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH - None**

## **9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE - None**

## **10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES**

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 16-72: (1/29/09) From NMI Retirement Fund Administrator Mark Aguon regarding noncompliance with actuarially determined rate and health care.

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 16-73: (1/28/09) From NMC Regent Chair Charles Cepeda and President Carmen Fernandez submitting NMC's Budget request for FY 2010.

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 16-74: (1/30/09) From NMC President Carmen Fernandez submitting the FY 2008 Annual Report for the Human Resources and Business development programs. [*Copy of Report posted on the Legislature's network*].

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 16-75: (2/2/09) From Public Auditor Michael Pai enclosing a copy of OPA's the FY 2010 Budget submission. [*Copy of Report posted on the Legislature's network*].

## 11. OTHER COMMUNICATIONS - None

## 12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

S. C. R. NO. 16-69: Reporting on **S. L. I. NO. 16-10**, entitled, "To amend Article X of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands by amending Section 7 to require the reduction of government employment and to add a new section 10 to authority the Commonwealth to issue pension obligation bonds; and for other purposes." *Your Committee on Ways and Means recommends that the House pass initiative in the form of S. L. I. No. 16-10, HSI.*

S. C. R. NO. 16-71: Reporting on **H. B. NO. 16-139**, entitled, "To transfer the administrative functions of the Government Life and Health Insurance Program to the Department of Finance by amending the Northern Mariana Islands Retirement Fund Act; and for other purposes. *Your Committee on Health, Education, and Welfare recommends passage in its current form.*

S. C. R. NO. 16-72: Reporting on **H. B. NO. 16-111**, entitled, "To authorize the Department of Public Health to regulate Private Ambulance Services, compliance and response time, and for other purposes." *Your Committee on Health, Education, and Welfare recommends passage of the bill in the form of H. B. No. 16-111, HD1.*

S. C. R. NO. 16-73: Reporting on **H. B. NO. 16-138**, entitled, "To transfer administrative functions of the Worker's Compensation Law to the Department of Commerce by amending the Worker's Compensation Law; and for other purposes." *Your Committee on Health, Education, and Welfare recommends passage of the bill in its current form.*

S. C. R. NO. 16-74: Reporting on **H. B. NO. 16-175**, entitled, "To amend 1 CMC adding a new subsection creating the Military Family Leave Act of the Commonwealth; and for other purposes." *Your Committee on Health, Education, and Welfare recommends passage of the bill in the form of H. B. No. 16-175, HSI.*

S. C. R. NO. 16-75: Reporting on **H. B. NO. 16-166**, entitled, "To prohibit the use of non-compostable plastic bags at stores within the CNMI; and for other purposes." *Your*

*Committee on Natural Resources recommends passage of the bill in the form of H. B. No. 16-166, HS1.*

**13. REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES - None**

**14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**

**15. RESOLUTION CALENDAR**

Resolutions	

**16. BILL CALENDAR**

Bills/Initiatives		
H. B. NO. 16-12, HS2	To repeal and reenact Title 4, Chapter 10, as amended by Public Law 15-16; repeal and reenact 3 CMC § 4303(q)(10); amend 3 CMC § 4331(k) as established by P.L. 15-16; and for other purposes. [See S. C. R. No. 16-52]	
H. B. NO. 16-76, HS1	To amend 2 CMC § 7181; and for other purposes. [See S. C. R. No. 16-59]	
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.	
H. B. NO. 16-202	To establish a special account to ensure that adequate funding is readily available for the operational, inter-island travel, and training expenses of the Inspection and Investigation Section of the Fire Division; and for other purposes.	
* H. B. NO. 16-180	To amend 3 CMC § 5421 by adding a new section (d) and to amend 3 CMC § 5432 by adding a new section (c); and for other purposes.	
* H. B. NO. 16-184	To provide for greater control and regulation on the hiring, training and licensing of security guards; and for other purposes.	
* H. B. NO. 16-195	To amend 4 CMC § 1103(aa) to include in the definition of wholesalers a seller of bulk motor fuel; and for other purposes.	
S. B. NO. 16-49	To amend 1 CMC, Division 8, § 8245(c); and for other purposes. [See SEN. COMM. 16-120]	

**Bills/Initiatives**

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> ]	
S. B. No. 16-22, SS1, SD1, HS1	To amend parts of 1 CMC 6101 et seq., the Northern Mariana Islands Election Law; and for other purposes. [ <i>See S. C. R. No. 16-70</i> ]	
S. B. No. 16-44, CS1	To amend Public Law 14-62; and for other purposes. [ <i>See SEN. COMM. 16-103</i> ]	
*H. B. No. 16-167	To amend 1 CMC § 8222 regarding housing for key government officials; and for other purposes.	

**17. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**18. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**(ADJOURNMENT)**

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***APPEARANCE OF LOCAL BILLS***

**FIRST APPEARANCE:** 1<sup>st</sup> Legislative appearance of a local bill is on the day it is introduced.

**SECOND APPEARANCE:** NONE

**THIRD APPEARANCE:** NONE