



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

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
8th Day, Third Regular Session	Wednesday, February 18, 2009	9:30 a.m.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

*A Moment of Silence*

*FINAL*

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

*House Bills:*

H. B. NO. 16-224: To vest the Department of Public Lands and Natural Resources with the management and disposition of a certain public land in Sadog Tasi, Saipan for the development of a public park and for other purposes. (Rep. Ramon A. Tebuteb)

H. B. NO. 16-225: To amend 4 CMC § 1503(a)(5) to reduce the license fee for pachinko slot machines; and for other purposes. (Rep. Ramon A. Tebuteb)

H. B. NO. 16-226: To authorize the governor to transfer \$3,500,000 of the Outside General Fund Resources; and for other purposes. (Rep. Justo S. Quitugua)

*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**

Gov. COMM. 16-323: (2/10/09) Informing the House that he disapproved H. B. NO. 16-213, HD5, the Appropriations and Budget Authority Act of 2009. [Deadline: 4/11/09]

**6. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS - None**

**7. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS - None**

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

**9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CNMI 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. R. NO. 16-75	Requesting CNMI Delegate Gregorio C. Sablan to advocate the application of the Federal Unemployment Compensation Act and its benefits to the residents of the Commonwealth.	

## 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. 16-180	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]	
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 [See S. C. R. No. 16-60, Subst. 1]	
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. [See S. C. R. No. 16-70]	
*H. B. NO. 16-167	To amend 1 CMC § 8222 regarding housing for key government officials; and for other purposes.	
S. L. I. NO. 16-10, HS1	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. [See S. C. R. No. 16-69]	
H. B. NO. 16-139	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. [See S. C. R. No. 16-71]	
H. B. NO. 16-111, HD1	To authorize the Department of Public Safety, Fire Division, Office of EMS to regulate private ambulance services, compliance and response time, and for other purposes. [See S. C. R. No. 16-72]	
H. B. NO. 16-138	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. [See S. C. R. No. 16-73]	

**Bills/Initiatives**

H. B. NO. 16-175, HS1	To amend 1 CMC adding a new subsection creating the Military Family Leave Act of the Commonwealth; and for other purposes. [See S. C. R. No. 16-74]	
H. B. NO. 16-166, HS1	To assess a fee on plastic checkout bags distributed in the Commonwealth; and for other purposes. [See S. C. R. No. 16-75]	
*H. B. NO. 16-191	To amend 1 CMC § 7403 and 1 CMC §§ 5101-5143; and for other purposes. (Commonwealth Emergency Relief Act (“CERA”))	
*H. B. NO. 16-212	To amend Section 7204(d) of Title 1 of the Commonwealth Code pertaining to the hiring of employees during a period of continuing appropriations; and for other purposes.	
H. B. NO. 16-220	To amend the Northern Mariana Islands Election Law to provide for runoff election procedures and to allow for the counting of absentee ballots on election day. 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