



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SIXTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
SPECIAL SESSIONS, 2009

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
2 nd Day, Third Special Session	Tuesday, May 12, 2009	9:00 a.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

A Moment of Silence

FINAL 5/12/09

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

House Bills:

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. 16-376: (5/8/09) Certification for an annual salary in excess of \$50,000 for Dr. John William Rodgers.

Gov. COMM. 16-377: (5/8/09) Certification for an annual salary in excess of \$50,000 for Dr. Arthur J. Loerzel.

Gov. COMM. 16-378: (5/8/09) Urging the Legislature to join him in upholding the agreement on the CNMI Marine Monument as proclaimed by the Bush Administration.

Gov. COMM. 16-379: (5/8/09) Informing the Legislature that he has signed into law H. L. B. NO. 16-29, S1, D1 (Appropriating \$24,000 collected from local licensing fees from the Second Senatorial District). [Became *Tinian Local Law 16-8*]

6. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

SEN. COMM. 16-148: (4/16/09) Returning H. B. NO. 16-47, HD2 (Smoke-free Air Act of 2008) which was passed by the Senate with amendments on April 15, 2009, in the form of **H. B. NO. 16-47, HD2, SD1**. [*For action on Senate Amendments*]

7. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

HSE. COMM. 16-107: (5/7/09) From Representative Yumul and Senator Pangelinan to the Ms. Esther Fleming and Mr. Robert Schrack regarding the Compact Impact Funding.

HSE. COMM. 16-108: (5/11/09) From Representative Sablan to Dr. John Joyner, CRM Administrator expressing concern regarding the lack of a major siting permit for the on-going Marpi Village Homestead Project.

8. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH - None

9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE NMI DELEGATE (U.S. CONGRESS) - None

10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

DEPT./AGCY. COMM. 16-87: (5/11/09) From Commerce Secretary Michael J. Ada to Representative Sablan commenting on S. B. NO. 16-45, HS1 regarding long term business certificate applications.

11. OTHER COMMUNICATIONS - None

12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

S. C. R. NO. 16-88: Reporting on H. B. NO. 16-229, entitled, “To establish an Office of Grants Management under the Office of the Governor; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Ways and Means recommends passage of H. B. No. 16-229.*

S. C. R. No. 16-89 Reporting on S B. NO. 16-45 entitled, “To amend 4 CMC § 5941 (a) to abolish the security deposit requirement for long term business certificate applicants; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Commerce and Tourism recommends passage of S. B. No. 16-45 in the form of House Substitute 1.*

13. REPORTS OF SPECIAL AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES - None

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

15. RESOLUTION CALENDAR

Resolutions	

16. BILL CALENDAR

Bills/Initiatives		
H. B. NO. 16-201	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. 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. 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. [<i>See S. C. R. No. 16-69</i>]	

Bills/Initiatives

H. B. NO. 16-188	To mandate the Department of Public Safety to remove dead animals from public highways and roads and thereafter contact the Mayor's Office for its proper disposal; and for other purposes. [See S. C. R. No. 16-77]	
S. B. NO. 16-51, SD1	To repeal and re-enact Section 2152 of Title 1 of the Commonwealth Code to clarify that an individual, absent Senate confirmation, shall neither occupy nor serve in the capacity of Attorney General, Acting Attorney General, or Interim Attorney General in excess of 30 days absent nomination to the Senate nor in excess of 90 days upon nomination; and for other purposes. [See Sen. Comm. No. 16-131]	
H. B. NO. 16-204	To amend Public Law 16-17 sections 3(c) to modify PSAA requirements and 3(g)(2) to clarify contractor eligibility requirements for Private Sector Assistance Agreements (PSSA) and adding a new section 3(h) defining "United States Certified Contractor"; and for other purposes.	
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. [See S. C. R. No. 16-81]	
H. B. NO. 16-236	To amend 1 CMC § 8362 by adding a criminal penalty, notice requirement and cause of action; and for other purposes.	
H. B. NO. 16-132, HD1	To authorize the Marianas Visitors Authority to regulate tour operators and tour guides by amending 4 CMC § 2103; and for other purposes. [See S. C. R. No. 16-79]	
H. B. NO. 16-146, HS1	To establish a Village and Agricultural Homesteading Program in the Northern Islands; and for other purposes. [See S. C. R. No. 16-82]	
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. [See S. C. R. No. 16-83]	
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. [See S. C. R. No. 16-84]	
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.	
H. B. NO. 16-240	To amend the Alcoholic Beverage control Act, and for other purposes.	
H. B. NO. 16-242	To amend the Victim Rights Act; and for other purposes	

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. 16-33: To re-appropriate the sum of \$54,000.00 from Tinian Local Law 15-9; and for other purposes. (Rep. Edwin P. Aldan)

H. L. B. NO. 16-34: To re-appropriate lapsed funds under Saipan Local Law 16-1, Section 3(1); and for other purposes. (Rep. Ray N. Yumul)

H. L. B. NO. 16-35: To appropriate \$3,650,000 from the revenues collected pursuant to Saipan Local Law 11-2 as amended for Fiscal Year 2010; and for other purposes.

THIRD APPEARANCE: NONE