



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**SEVENTEENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE**  
**FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 2010**

**AMENDED AGENDA**

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
9th Day, First Regular Session	Wednesday, March 31, 2010	2:03 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

*A Moment of Silence*

1. **ROLL CALL**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**
3. **ADOPTION OF JOURNALS - None**
4. **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

**A. House Bills:**

**H. B. 17-46:**

To repeal 4 CMC, Division 5, Chapter 13, Investment Incentive Act in its entirety; and for other purposes.

By: **REP. JOSEPH M. PALACIOS** of Saipan, Precinct 1 (Prefiled on March 25, 2010; Legislation was withdrawn by the author 3/31/10)

**H. B. 17-48:**

To amend 4 CMC § 5611(d) to establish a revolving fund to pay for the National Association of Insurance Commissioners annual membership dues; and for other purposes.

Introduced by: **REP. EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for himself) and was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism

**H. B. 17-49:**

To implement a Five Percent Budgetary reduction; and for other purposes.

Introduced by: **REP. JOSEPH P. DELEON GUERRERO** of Saipan, Precinct 1 (for himself, Representatives Dela Cruz, Benavente, Conner, Tebuteb, Cabrera, Sablan and Yumul) and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

**H. B. 17-50:**

To reduce and eliminate the rebate of the Northern Marianas Territorial Income Tax.

Introduced by: **REP. FROILAN C. TENORIO** of Saipan, Precinct 1 (for himself, Representatives Basa, Ogunoro, Villagomez and Iguel) and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

**H. B. 17-51:**

To amend Title 4 Sections 51401 and 51405 of the Commonwealth Code as established by Public Law 15-36 to impose a moratorium on all copper transactions; and for other purposes.

Introduced by: **REP. STANLEY T. MCGINNIS-TORRES** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for himself)

**H. B. 17-52:**

To add Section 4120 of Title 6 of the Commonwealth Code; and for other purposes.

Introduced by: **REP. STANLEY T. MCGINNIS-TORRES** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for himself) on March 31, 2010, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations

**H. B. 17-53:**

To reprogram \$818,965.83 from Appropriations under section 5(c)(3) of Public Law 11-119 for the construction of the Kagman Wastewater Treatment Plant, collection and transmission system; and for other purposes.

Introduced by: **REP. RAMON S. BASA** of Saipan, Precinct 5 (for himself) and was referred to Committee on Ways and Means

**H. B. 17-54:**

To repeal Public Laws 14-80, 15-65, 15-106, 15-110, and 16-39; To suspend funding for Public Law 15-109; To appropriate the funds deposited in the Tobacco Control Fund pursuant to Public Law 13-38; and for other purposes.

By: **REP. ELICEO D. CABRERA** of Saipan, Precinct 1 (for himself) [Prefiled on March 31, 2010; Not formally introduced]

**H. B. 17-55:**

To provide for the regulation and control of the operation of gambling enterprises in the Municipality of Saipan.

Introduced by: **REP. FROILAN C. TENORIO** of Saipan, Precinct 1 (for himself), which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism

**H. B. 17-56:**

To provide for the establishment, regulation, and control of casino gambling in the Third Senatorial District (Saipan and the Islands North of Saipan); and for other purposes.

Introduced by: **REP. FROILAN C. TENORIO** of Saipan, Precinct 1 (for himself) which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism

**H. B. 17-57:**

To establish a Northern Marianas Descent Registry within the Office of the Commonwealth Election Commission.

Introduced by: **REP. FELICIDAD T. OGUMORO** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for herself) which was referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare

**B. House Local Bills:**

**H. L. B. 17-12:**

To reappropriate funds from Rota Local Law 15-4 and Rota Local Law 15-6; and for other purposes.

By **REP. TERESITA A. SANTOS** of Rota, Precinct 7 (for herself) [**Prefiled** on March 30, 2010; Not formally introduced]

**H. L. B. 17-13:**

To amend 10 CMC § 3921(c) and (e), and 3927; and for other purposes.

By: **Rep. Felicidad T. Ogomoro** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for herself)

**C. House Legislative Initiatives: None**

**5. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

**A. House Resolutions:**

**H. R. 17-7:**

To amend the Official Rules of Procedure of the House of the Seventeenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

By: **REP. GEORGE N. CAMACHO** of Saipan, Precinct 4

**B. House Joint Resolutions: None**

**C. House Commemorative Resolutions: None**

**D. House Concurrent Resolutions:**

**H. C. R. 17-1:**

To amend House Concurrent Resolution 16-4 to reduce the revenues and resources of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as transmitted in the Governor's Special Budget Message on the Decrease in Revenue Estimates for Fiscal Year 2010, beginning October 1, 2009, and ending on September 30, 2010 which was dated March 09 2010.

By **REP. RAY N. YUMUL** of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for himself, Representatives Cabrera, Joseph Deleon Guerrero, Joseph Palacios, Dela Cruz, Benavente, Torres, Tebuteb and Sablan) and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

**6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

GOV. COMM. 17-61: (3/22/10) Informing the House that he signed into law H. B. 17-25, HS1, the "Immigration Conformity Act of 2010". [Became **Public Law 17-1**]

GOV. COMM. 17-62: (3/24/10) **Executive Order 2010-3** –Declaration of a State of Disaster Emergency: CUC’s Imminent Generation and other Failure and the Need to Provide Immediate Reliable Power, Water, and Wastewater Services – *Continuation #20*.

GOV. COMM. 17-63: (3/23/10) Informing the House that he signed into law H. L. B. 17-5, D1, “To appropriate \$28,000.00 for the local license fees collected for pachinko slot machines and poker machines in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes.” [Became *Tinian Local Law 17-1*]

## 7. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

SEN. COMM. 17-17 (3/22/10) Returning H. B. 17-8, “To remove the three legislative days requirement or certain local bills; and for other purposes,” which was passed by the Senate, without amendments, on March 29, 2010. [For info-Will go to Governor]

SEN. COMM. 17-18: (3/22/10) Transmitting S. B. NO. 17-22, “To designate public land on the Island of Tinian for homesteading purposes,” which was passed by the Senate on March 19, 2010. [For action] *Communication was accepted; the Bill was referred to Committee on Natural Resources*

SEN. COMM. 17-19: (3/22/10) Transmitting S. B. NO. 17-23, SD1, “To amend subsection (c) of Section 8143 of Title Four of the Commonwealth Code; and for other purposes,” which was passed by the Senate on March 19, 2010. [For action] *Communication was accepted; the Bill to Committee on Public Utilities, Transportation, and Communications*

SEN. COMM. 17-20: (3/22/10) Transmitting a certified copy of Senate Commemorative Resolution No. 17-01, entitled, “To pay tribute to the late Honorable Francisco Castro Ada and to memorialize his significant contributions to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands,” which was adopted by the Senate on March 12, 2010. [For info]

SEN. COMM. 17-21: (3/22/10) Transmitting a certified copy of S. R. No. 17-10, “Recognizing and commending the Rota High School JROTC Cadets and Drill Team as well as the other participants in this year’s annual drill team competition on their discipline and hard work in preparation for the competition; and to recognize the administrators and drill team instructors for their contribution and guidance in the success of this year’s CNMI Multiple School Unit Annual JROTC Inter-island Drill Competition,” which was adopted by the Senate on March 12, 2010. [For info]

SEN. COMM. 17-22: (3/22/10) Transmitting a certified copy of S. R. NO. 17-11, “Expressing the Senate’s appreciation and encouragement to all CNMI participants and winners in the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Chamoru Language Competition held at the University of Guam, College of Liberal Arts & Social Science on March 9, 2010,” which was adopted by the Senate on March 12, 2010. [For info]

**8. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS**

**HSE. COMM. 17-27: (3/31/10) Rep. Stanley Torres' Privileged Speech regarding Ms. Barbara Beno.**

**9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH**

JUD. BR. COMM. 17-7: (3/8/10) From Mr. Daniel C. Stafford, Clerk of the Supreme Court, submitting a proposed legislation for consideration when the House considers the proposed austerity measure.

**10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES - None**

**11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS - None**

**12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES - None**

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

**14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**

**15. RESOLUTION CALENDAR**

<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>H. RES. 17-7</b>	A House Resolution to amend the Official Rules of Procedure of the House of the Seventeenth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.	<b>Calendared for disposition</b>

**16. BILL CALENDAR**

<b>Bill/Initiative</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Action</b>
H.B. 17-30, HD2	To repeal and reenact Title 4 § 51405 of the Commonwealth Code as established by Public Law 15-36 to regulate recycling businesses operating in the Commonwealth; and establish the offense of theft of copper; and for other purposes.	<b>Filed as requested by the author</b>

**17. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**18. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**(ADJOURNMENT)**

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**The House of Representative adjourned its First Regular Session on  
Wednesday, March 31, 2010, at 3:01 p.m.**

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***APPEARANCE OF LOCAL BILLS***

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

**SECOND LEGISLATIVE DAY:** NONE

**THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY:**

H. L. B. 17-10

To appropriate the lapsed/unobligated funds from Saipan Local Laws 14-11, 15-12, 15-24; and for other purposes.

Introduced by REP. Eliceo D. CABRERA of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*, Representative Joseph M. Palacios)

H. L. B. 17-11

To appropriate \$238,726 from the Third Senatorial District Developers Infrastructure Tax Fund and the unobligated/lapsed funds under Saipan Local Law 15-10; and for other purposes.

Introduced by REP. RAFAEL S. DEMAPAN of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*)

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***Appearance of Measures introduced on the House Floor during the House Session on  
3/25/10:***

**H. B. 17-47:**

To amend 6 CMC Section 2114 subsections (c)(13) and (20); amend 6 CMC Section 2142 subsection (a) and repeal 6 CMC Section 2142 subsection (c), and for other purposes.

Introduced by REP. STANLEY T. MCGINNIS-TORRES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*) on *March 25, 2010*, was referred to the *Committee on Natural Resources*