



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

**AMENDED AGENDA**

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
1st Day, Second Special Session	Tuesday, May 11, 2010	2:25 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

*A Moment of Silence*

- 1. ROLL CALL**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Mr. Joseph N. Camacho (former Congressman) presented oral testimony on the DOI Report to the US Congress. (Ref. H. J. R. 17-4)*

- 3. ADOPTION OF JOURNALS - None**

- 4. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

**A. House Bills:**

**H. B. 17-71**

To amend NMIAC Chapter 140-50 to provide for the licensing of foreign trained medical professionals.

**REP. SYLVESTRE I. IGUEL** of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for himself*)

**Refer to Committee on Health and Welfare**

**H. B. 17-72**

To amend 4 CMC §§ 1401(d), (o), and (p) to make clarifications on the definition of certain taxable commodities; and for other purposes.

**REP. GEORGE N. CAMACHO** of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for himself*)

**Refer to Committee on Ways and Means**

**H. B. 17-73**

To amend 4 CMC § 1402(c)(7) thru (13) to remove an unnecessary provision and to grant the Secretary of Finance or his or her designee the authority to classify new products for taxation purposes; and for other purposes.

**REP. GEORGE N. CAMACHO** of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for himself*)

**Refer to Committee on Ways and Means**

**H. B. 17-74**

To amend 1 CMC §§ 8363(a) and 8390(a) to allow the Northern Mariana Islands Retirement Fund Administrator to assess interest on overpayment or underpayment of

benefits and to make technical amendments regarding life insurance coverage; and for other purposes.

**REP. GEORGE N. CAMACHO** of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for himself*)

**Refer to Committee on Health and Welfare**

**B. House Local Bills:**

**H. L. B. 17-20**

To make appropriations for the operations and activities of the Rota Casino Gaming Commission for FY 2010 pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Rota Casino Act of 2007, as amended by Public Law 16-4; and for other purposes.

**REP. TERESITA A. SANTOS** of Rota, Precinct 7 (*for herself*)

**C. House Legislative Initiatives: None**

**5. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

**A. House Resolutions: None**

**B. House Joint Resolutions:**

**H. J. R. 17-4**

To express the grave concern about and objection of the Seventeen Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, the House and the Senate, to the Report on the Alien Worker Population in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands that was prepared by the Secretary of the Interior, which includes recommendations that do not serve the best interest of the Commonwealth, that was submitted to the United States Congress without review or consultation with the Governor or the Legislature of the Commonwealth as mandated in P.L. 110-229; and strongly urging the United States Congress to reject the said recommendations until such time the Government of the United States and the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands meet together pursuant to Section 902 of the Covenant to formalize the DOI Secretary's Report. (and its recommendations.)

**REP. RAFAEL S. DEMAPAN** of Saipan, Precinct 2 (*for himself*, Representative Frederick P. Deleon Guerrero, and McGinnis-Torres)

**C. House Commemorative Resolutions: None**

**D. House Concurrent Resolutions: None**

**H. C. R. 17-2**

To approve revenues and resources of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as identified pursuant to Article III, Section 9(a) of the Constitution, as amended, and 1 CMC, Division 7, for Fiscal Year 2011, beginning October 1, 2010, and ending on September 30, 2011.

**REP. RAMON S. BASA** of Saipan, Precinct 5 (*for himself*)

## 6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

GOV. COMM. 17-81: (5/3/10) Informing the House that he disapproved H. L. B. No. 17-10, D4 (Appropriation for National High School Mock Trial Competition; Komfirensian Lengguaheh Chamorro, Saipan Southern High School Pep Rally Competition, Precinct VI Basketball Court Repair). [*Deadline: 7/2/10*]

GOV. COMM. 17-82: (5/4/10) Informing the House that he signed into law H. B. 17-8 (Amending the Local Law Act of 1984 pertaining to appearance of local bills) [*Became Public Law 17-2.*]

GOV. COMM. 17-83: (5/4/10) Informing the House that he disapproved H. B. 17-20, SD1 (Lateral Transfer of Personnel from the Division of Immigration) [*Deadline: 7/3/10*]

## 7. SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

SEN. COMM. 17-34: (4/29/10) Transmitting a certified copy of S. R. NO. 17-15, entitled, "Honoring and commending His Excellency Tomas A. Camacho, Bishop of the Diocese of Chalan Kanoa, whose retirement has been accepted by His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI," which was adopted by the Senate. (For info)

## 8. HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS - None

## 9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE JUDICIAL BRANCH - None

JUD. BR. COMM. 17-8: (5/4/10) Certification of salary to exceed \$50,000 for QuynhChi Nguyen.

JUD. BR. COMM. 17-9: (5/4/10) Certifying that the position of Law Clerk is vacant and must be filled.

## 10. COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES - None

## 11. MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS - None

## 12. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

**S. C. R. 17-11:** Reporting on H. B. 17-28, entitled, "A Bill for an Act to empower and define the authority, duties, responsibilities and functions of the Marshal Service Division of the CNMI Judicial Branch; and for other purposes." *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass H. B. 17-28 with amendments.*

**S. C. R. 17-14:** Reporting on H. B. No. 17-35, entitled, “To prohibit the cruel treatment of animals; to provide for penalties; and for other purposes.” *Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations recommends that the House pass H. B. 17-35.*

**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. 17-12</b>	A House Resolution respectfully requesting the Commonwealth Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to not authorize the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) to raise water and waste water rates in the Commonwealth.	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>H. J. R. 17-3</b>	A House Joint Resolution to strongly encourage the National Telecommunications and information Administration (NTIA) to proceed with due diligence and the unbiased process of awarding American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) money in the second round of the broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and Guam.	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>H. J. R. 17-4</b>	A House Joint Resolution to express the grave concern about and objection of the Seventeen Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature, the House and the Senate, to the Report on the Alien Worker Population in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands that was prepared by the Secretary of the Interior, which includes recommendations that do not serve the best interest of the Commonwealth, that was submitted to the United States Congress without review or consultation with the Governor or the Legislature of the Commonwealth as mandated in P.L. 110-229; and strongly urging the United States Congress to reject the said recommendations until such time the Government of the United States and the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands meet together pursuant to Section 902 of the Covenant to formalize the DOI Secretary’s Report. (and its recommendations.)	<b>ADOPTED with amendments (HS1)</b>
<b>H. C. R. 17-2</b>	A House Concurrent Resolution to approve revenues and resources of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as identified pursuant to Article III, Section 9(a) of the Constitution, as amended, and 1 CMC, Division 7, for Fiscal Year 2011, beginning October 1, 2010, and ending on September 30, 2011.	<b>NONE</b>

## 16. BILL CALENDAR

Bill/Initiative	Subject	Action
<b>H. B. 17-26</b>	A Bill for an Act to impose an excise tax on the sale of imported bottled drinking water; and for other purposes. <i>[No public comments were received in a open and public meeting when the legislation appeared on the House Agenda of 3/11/10 &amp; 4/27/10]</i>	NONE
<b>H. B. 17-28</b>	A Bill for an Act to empower and define the authority, duties, responsibilities and functions of the Marshal Service Division of the CNMI Judicial Branch; and for other purposes. <i>[No public comments were received in a open and public meeting when the legislation appeared on the House Agenda of 3/11/10]</i>	NONE
<b>H. B. 17-38</b>	A Bill for an Act to amend 2 CMC Title 2, Division 1 Chapter 3, § 1301 et seq., "The Nuclear and Chemical Free Zone Act of 1983". <i>[See S. C. R. No. 17-8]</i>	NONE

## 17. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

## 18. ANNOUNCEMENTS

### (ADJOURNMENT)

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**The House of Representative adjourned its 1<sup>st</sup> Day, Second Special Session on Tuesday, May 11, 2010, at 4:41 p.m., subject to the Call of the Chair**

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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:**

H. L. B. 17-17

To appropriate Ninety Two Thousand Dollars (\$92,000) from the local license fees collected for pachinko slot machines and poker machines in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes.

By REP. TRENTON B. CONNER of Saipan, Precinct 6 (*for himself*)

H. L. B. 17-18

To appropriate \$525,000.00 from the revenues collected pursuant to Saipan Local Law 11-2 as amended for fiscal year 2010 and for other purposes.

By REP. FROILAN C. TENORIO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself* Representatives Basa, Iguel, Raymond Palacios, and Ogunoro)

H. L. B. 17-19

To appropriate \$196,379 from the unobligated/lapsed funds and fund balance accounts from completed and closed projects; and for other purposes.

By REP. JOSEPH M. PALACIOS of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*)

**THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY:**

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*)

H. L. B. 17-14

To repeal the appropriation and to re-appropriate the unexpended funds from Saipan Local Law 15-12, Section 2(f).  
By REP. SYLVESTRE I. IGUEL of Saipan, Precinct 4 (for himself)

H. L. B. 17-15

To re-appropriate \$80,000.00 from section 2(b)(8) and (10) of Saipan Local Law 16-4; and for other purposes.  
By REP. GEORGE N. CAMACHO of Saipan, Precinct 4 (*for himself*, Representative Cabrera and Iguel)

H. L. B. 17-16

To name an existing unnamed road.  
By REP. FROILAN C. TENORIO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*)

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**Appearance of Measures introduced on the House Floor during the House Session on  
4/30/10:**

H. B. 17-70

To Law 16-46 relating to smoking in public places.  
By REP. FROILAN C. TENORIO of Saipan, Precinct 1 (*for himself*) on April 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism

H. RES. 17-11

To encourage the United States Department of Defense and officials of the nation of Japan to consider Tinian as the best location to relocate the Futenma air base currently located on the island of Okinawa.  
REP. TRENTON B. CONNER of Tinian and Aguiguan, Precinct 6 (*for himself* and Representative Tenorio) on April 30, 2010

H. RES. 17-12

Respectfully requesting the Commonwealth Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to not authorize the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation (CUC) to raise water and waste water rates in the Commonwealth.  
By REP. FRANCISCO M. DELA CRUZ of Saipan, Precinct 3 (for himself, Representatives Basa, Benavente, Cabrera, Camacho, Conner, Joseph P. Deleon Guerrero, Frederick P. Deleon Guerrero, Demapan, Iguel, Ogumoro, Joseph Palacios, Raymond Palacios, Sablan, Tebuteb, Tenorio, McGinnis Torres, Villagomez and Yumul) on April 30, 2010

H. J. R. No. 17-3:

To strongly encourage the National Telecommunications and information Administration (NTIA) to proceed with due diligence and the unbiased process of awarding American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) money in the second round of the broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and Guam.  
REP. STANLEY T. MCGINNIS-TORRES of Saipan, Precinct 3 (*for himself*, Representatives Cabrera, Benavente, Dela Cruz, Fred Deleon Guerrero, and Sablan) on April 30, 2010