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December 7, 2006

Clerk of the Legislature

The Honorable Mark Forbes  
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT RECEIPT

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Date: 12-18-06

The Committee on Health and Human Services, to which **Bill No. 361(LS): "An Act to amend Section 34103(b) of Article 1, Chapter 34, Title 10 GCA, relative to Changing the Length of Pet Licenses,"** was referred, wishes to report its findings and recommendations **TO PASS** Bill No. 361(LS).

The voting record for Bill No. 361(LS) is as follows:

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A copy of the Committee Report and other pertinent documents are attached. Thank you for your time and attention in this matter. *Si Yu'os Ma'åse!*

**MIKE CRUZ, M.D.**  
Chairman

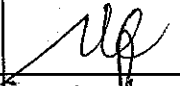
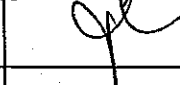
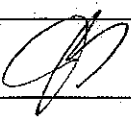
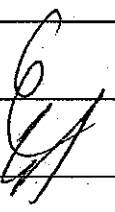
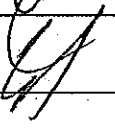
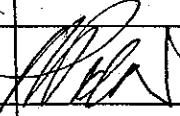

Attachments

# COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

## I MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN

*Senator Mike Cruz, M.D., Chairperson*  
*Senator Jesse A. Lujan, Vice-Chairperson*  
 155 Hesler Place • Hagåtña, Guam 96910


**VOTING SHEET: Bill No. 361(LS), an Act to amend Section 34103(b) of Article 1, Chapter 34, Title 10 GCA, relative to Changing the Length of Pet Licenses.**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:	SIGNATURE	TO PASS	NOT TO PASS	TO REPORT OUT ONLY	ABSTAIN	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE
Senator Mike Cruz, M.D., Chairman		✓				
Senator Jesse Lujan, Co-Chair		2/13/06 ✓				
Speaker Mark Forbes, Ex-Officio						
Vice Speaker Joanne Brown, Member		✓				
Senator Larry Kasperbauer, Member						
Senator Ray Tenorio, Member						
Senator Antonio R. Unpingco, Member		✓				
Senator Eddie Baza Calvo, Member		✓				
Senator Frank Aguon, Jr., Member						
Senator Benjamin J. Cruz, Member						
Senator Adolpho B. Palacios, Member		10/13 ✓				
Senator Rory J. Respicio, Member		✓				

MINA'BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN  
2006 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 361 (LS)

Introduced by:

J. M.S. Brown 

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 34103(b) OF  
ARTICLE 1, OF CHAPTER 34, OF TITLE 10,  
GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO  
CHANGING THE LENGTH OF PET LICENSES.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Section 34103(b) of Article 1, of Chapter 34, of Title 10, is hereby  
3 amended to read:  
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5 (b) ~~The License year is January first to December thirty first.~~ The  
6 license will be valid for three years from the date of issue, if  
7 the pet has received a three-year rabies vaccination at the time  
8 of issuance. Otherwise the license will be valid for the time  
9 remaining on the rabies certificate plus a forty-five day grace  
10 period.

**CHAPTER 34**  
**KEEPING ANIMALS**

**SOURCE:** Article 1 was repealed in its entirety and reenacted by P.L. 22-13:1. The functions of the Department of Public Health and Social Services in Articles 1 and 3 were transferred to the Department of Agriculture by P.L. 26-76:57. References to Director and Department of Public Health and Social Services changed to Director and Department of Agriculture in Articles 1 and 3.

Article 1. Control and Licensing of Pets.

Article 2. Humane Treatment of Animals.

Article 3. Quarantine.

**ARTICLE 1**  
**CONTROL AND LICENSING OF PETS**

- § 34101. Definitions.
- § 34102. Pet License Required.
- § 34103. Pet License.
- § 34104. Seeing-Eye and Hearing-Aid Dogs.
- § 34105. Issuance and Description of License.
- § 34106. Description of Pet License Tag.
- § 34107. Replacement of Pet License Tag.
- § 34108. Rabies Vaccination.
- § 34109. Vicious Pet.
- § 34110. Immediate Menace.
- § 34111. Pet Attacking Person.
- § 34112. Pet Trespassing on Private Property.
- § 34113. Liability.
- § 34114. Damages by Pet Owner Liable.
- § 34115. Pet Control Unit.
- § 34116. Dog Running at Large, Impoundment, Holding Period, Sterilization and Adoption.
- § 34117. Impoundment.
- § 34118. Facility Operation.
- § 34119. Minimum Standards.
- § 34120. Authority to Kill Pets Running at Large.
- § 34121. Authority of officers.
- § 34122. Wrongful Interference with Officers.
- § 34123. Establishment of the 'Stray Dog Revolving Fund.'
- § 34124. Penalties.

**§ 34102. Pet License Required.**

No person shall own a pet unless it is licensed and wearing a license tag as provided by this Article. This shall not apply to pets under the age of three (3) months, pets in quarantine or pets brought into Guam for a temporary term not to exceed one (1) month for the exclusive purpose of entering such pets in a show or exhibition.

**§ 34103. Pet License.**

(a) Each pet shall be licensed by its owner.

(b) The license year is January first to December thirty-first.

(c) The owner of a pet imported into Guam shall have thirty (30) days to obtain the prescribed license. Pets exempted by §34102 of this Article shall be licensed when such exemption expires.

(d) The fee shall be established by the Director. The full fee shall be paid for any fraction of the year for which a license is issued.

(e) A pet license is not transferable to another pet. The license number shall be assigned to the pet and shall remain with the animal upon transfer to another owner for the life of the license.

(f) A penalty to be established by regulation shall be charged for late renewal of a license.

(g) Any penalty shall be in addition to the applicable license fee and payable at the time of the issuance.

**§ 34104. Seeing-Eye and Hearing-Aid Dogs.**

A blind or deaf person owning a dog trained to aid the blind or deaf, commonly called a seeing-eye or hearing-aid dog, shall be exempted from payment of any license fee.

**§ 34105. Issuance and Description of License.**

All licenses for pets shall be issued by the Department upon payment of the fee. The license shall be in such form as the Director shall approve and shall include the following

(a) The name and address of the owner;

(b) The expiration date of the license;

(c) The date of payment;



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Committee on Health and Human Services  
Public Hearing / Confirmation Hearing  
Thursday, November 30, 2006, 8:30 a.m.

## Agenda

Confirmation Hearings on GMHA Board Members:

- Rosalia A. Ligon
- Daniel L. Webb

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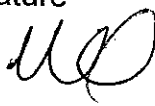
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November 21, 2006

## MEMORANDUM

TO: General Public  
Senators, 28<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature

FROM: Senator Mike Cruz, M.D. 

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR BILL NOS. 336(EC), 346(EC), 347(EC), 349(LS), 350(LS), 361(LS), 362(LS) and CONFIRMATION HEARINGS for GMHA Board Members Rosalia A. Ligon and Daniel L. Webb

Hafa Adai! This is to inform you that the Committee on Health & Human Services will be holding a Public Hearing on **THURSDAY, November 30th, 8:30a.m. - 1:30 p.m.** at *I Liheslaturan Guåhan's* Public Hearing Room. The following bill(s) will be heard:

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**Confirmation Hearings on GMHA Board Members:**

**Rosalia A. Ligon  
Daniel L. Webb**

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November 28, 2006

## MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Senator Mike Cruz, M.D. *MC*

SUBJECT: **REMINDER NOTICE of CONFIRMATION HEARINGS for GMHA Board Members Rosalia A. Ligon and Daniel L. Webb and PUBLIC HEARING for BILL NOS. 336(EC), 346(EC), 347(EC), 349(LS), 350(LS), 361(LS), and 362(LS).**

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CITY OF HAGATNA

On this 3rd day of November, 2006 before me, a Notary Public in and for the Territory of Guam, personally appeared JOEL F. TRIBAUDINI, known to me to be the duly authorized representative of the corporation that executed the within instrument on behalf of the corporation therein named and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

NEW YORK (Reuters) — Slug-ging first baseman Ryan Howard of the Philadelphia Phillies' Ryan Howard reacts to a teammates' pre-recorded joke during a news conference in Philadelphia Monday after Howard was voted the National League's Most Valuable Player.



Howard dismissed any notion of a sophomore slump with a prodigious power performance.

He capped off his first full big league season by being named MVP of the Japan All-Star Series.

Soriano balked initially last season when he was switched to left field from second base by the Washington Nationals, but compiled a .277 batting average with 46 home runs, 41 doubles, 95 runs batted in, and 41 stolen bases. He also led National League outfielders

CITY OF HAGATNA

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40 bases in a single season.

LOCAL 3

MARIANA'S VARIETY GUAM EDITION - WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 22, 2006

# Legislature fully booked next week

By Mar-Vic Cagurangan  
Variety News Staff

GEARING up for the final session, the lame duck Legislature is facing a busy week with a number of bills scheduled for public hearing.

A full plate is awaiting the committee on judiciary and governmental operations and reorganization, chaired by Sen. Bob Klitzkie, R-Yigo, who is scheduled to hold a public hearing on six bills on Nov. 27.

Klitzkie, who did not run for reelection, recently introduced a number of bills, including Bill 375, which would establish the Certified Augmentation Teacher Service Act or the "CATS Act."

The CATS Act, which is among the bills to be heard by the committee, would allow the Guam Public School System superintendent to rehire government retirees to fill certain positions required by the Adequate

which would raise the number of Superior Court judges to six; Bill 381, which would provide for the appointment of magistrates and the definition of their duties; and Bill 388, which would allow the compiler of laws to provide a searchable database via the Internet.

The health and community development, chaired by Sen. Mike Cruz, the lieutenant governor-elect, will hear five health related bills on Nov. 30.

One of the bills to be tackled by Cruz's committee is Sen. Judy Won Pat's Bill 336, which would set high standards for the massage therapy industry by requiring massage practitioners to obtain license from the Board of Allied Health.

The bill seeks to weed out illegitimate massage businesses that offer inappropriate services other than massage therapy.

The committee will also hear

lutions to government employees' health insurance problems. Sen. Frank Agnon's Bill 346 proposes to extend from one to three years the term of government negotiated health insurance plan for government employees.

Bill 346 points out that the process of negotiating for health insurance for employees and retirees is done "within a relatively short period of time," making it "difficult for their families to adequately plan for their financial requirements due to unanticipated increases in healthcare premiums."

Sen. Benjamin Cruz's Bill 347 proposes to authorize GovGuam to pay the premiums for Medicare plans out of the government's and employees' contributions for health insurance rates for retired employees and their survivors.

The proposed payment would

Plan A, which covers hospital insurance, Medicare Plan B for supplemental medical insurance, and plan combination.

Also in the health committee's agenda are:

- Bill 349, which would mandate GovGuam to shoulder the deductible expenses otherwise being paid by GovGuam employees and retirees;
- Bill 350, which would modify GovGuam's contribution rate applicable to certain class of government employees;
- Bill 361, which would amend the length of pet licenses; and
- Bill 362, which would authorize the agriculture director to impound and dispose of stray animals.

Speaker Mark Forbes' committee on general and omnibus matters will resume on Nov. 28 the hearing on Bill 329, which seeks to approve the governor's proposed master plan for a program in Dos Amantes.



Bob Klitzkie

Also in the agenda is Bill 383, also authored by Klitzkie, which would abolish the Guam Election Commission and replace it with a Bureau of Elections and a Board of Canvass and Appeals.

Klitzkie's Bill 390 would exempt the Superior Court presiding judge and Supreme Court chief justice from prohibition on the use of governor vehicles for personal use.



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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Director, Bureau of Budget Management and Research

FROM: Senator Mike Cruz, M.D. *MC*  
Chairman, Committee on Health and Human Services

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR FISCAL NOTE - Bill No. 336(EC), 346(EC), 347(EC),  
349(LS), 350(LS), 361(LS), and 362(LS).

Hafa Adai! Pursuant to 2 GCA §9102, I respectfully request BBMR to prepare fiscal notes for the following measures:

Bill No. 336(EC), relative to the Licensing of Massage Practitioners to Practice in Guam.

Bill No. 346(EC), relative to providing for Greater Financial Planning for Govt. Employees, Retirees, and the Government of Guam in covering the Costs of Health Care Insurance Premiums, through expanding the term of Health and Medical Insurance Coverage from One (1) to Three (3) years.

Bill No. 347(EC), to authorize the payment of Premiums for Medicare Plan A (Hospital Insurance Coverage), Medicare Plan B (Supplemental Medical Insurance), and Medicare Plan A & B, from the Government's and Employees' Contributions for Health Insurance Rates for Retired Employees and their Survivors.

Bill No. 349(LS), to provide Immediate Relief to Government of Guam Employees, Retirees, and Survivors for the High Costs of Health Insurance By Assuming Responsibility for the Payment of all Deductible Expenses under the Government of Guam Group Health Insurance Contract and to Authorize the Payment of Premiums for Medicare Plan A

Bill No. 350(LS), relative to Modifying the Government of Guam's Employer Contribution Rate to Apply Toward the Class of Government Employees with Dependents, with Added Emphasis on Family Coverage to Assist in the Payment of Increasing Health and Medical Insurance Premiums.



**Bill No. 361(LS), relative to Changing the Length of Pet Licenses.**

**Bill No. 362 (LS), relative to the Authority of the Director of the Guam Department of Agriculture to Impound and Dispose of Animals, and to Impose Costs therefore.**

Copies of the aforementioned bills may be obtained at *I Liheslaturan Guåhan's* website, [http://guamlegislature.com/28th\\_Guam\\_Legislature/Bills-Introduced-28th.htm](http://guamlegislature.com/28th_Guam_Legislature/Bills-Introduced-28th.htm). The fiscal note shall be provided to the Standing Committee within fourteen days from receipt of this request as required by 2 GCA §9105. Please call my office should you require additional information. Thank you.

**Bureau of Budget & Management Research  
Fiscal Note of Bill No. 361 (LS)**

**Bill Title (Preamble): AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 34103(B) OF ARTICLE 1, OF CHAPTER 34, OF TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO CHANGING THE LENGTH OF PET LICENSES.**

**Department/Agency Appropriation Information**

<b>Dept./Agency Affected:</b>	<b>AGRICULTURE</b>	<b>Dept./Agency Head:</b>	<b>PAUL BASSLER</b>
<b>Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:</b>			<b>\$923,649</b>
<b>Department's Other Fund (specify): <u>Guam Plant Inspection and Permit Fund</u> appropriation(s) to date:</b>			<b>\$44,507</b>
<b>Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:</b>			<b>\$968,156</b>

**Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation**

	<b>General Fund:</b>	<b>Other (specify):</b>	<b>Total:</b>
<b>FY 2007 Adopted Revenues</b>	\$456,347,922	\$0	\$456,347,922
<b>FY Appro. to P.L. 28-156</b>	(\$456,347,922)	\$0	(\$456,347,922)
<b>Sub-total:</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Less appropriation in Bill</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total:</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0

**Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill**

	<b>One Full Fiscal Year</b>	<b>For Remainder of Current FY (if applicable)</b>	<b>Second Year</b>	<b>Third Year</b>	<b>Fourth Year</b>	<b>Fifth Year</b>
<b>General Fund</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Rabies Prevention Fund</b>	\$0	\$0	(\$2,860)	(\$2,860)	\$0	(\$2,860)
<b>Total</b>	\$0	\$0	(\$2,860)	(\$2,860)	\$0	(\$2,860)

1. Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions?  
If Yes, see attachment // Yes  No
2. Is amount appropriated adequate to fund the intent of the appropriation?  
If no, what is the additional amount required? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ // Yes  No
3. Does the Bill establish a new program/agency?  
If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies? // Yes  No   
Is there a federal mandate to establish the program/agency? // Yes  No
4. Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities? // Yes  No
5. Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept/agency? If no, indicate reason:  
// Requested agency comments not received by due date // Yes  No   
// Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Analyst:** Angela K. Rose **Date:** 12/1/06 **Director:** Carlos P. Bordallo **Date:** DEC 01 2006

**Footnotes:** Enactment of Bill No. 361 (LS) will entail a negative fiscal impact on the Rabies Prevention Fund, if the annual license fee is amended to coincide with the three-year rabies vaccination at the time of issuance. Currently, the annual pet license fee is deposited into the Rabies Prevention Fund and used to carry out and enforce animal control statutes. Past collections are as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Collection</u>	<u>No. of license</u>
FY06	\$2,860	521 (inclusive of 3 companies)
FY05	\$2,895	526 (inclusive of 2 companies)
FY04	\$4,241	518 (inclusive of 7 companies)

Bill No. 361 (LS) will amend the annual license requirement to be required every three (3) years. As such, a negative impact in fee collections will result. The multi-year impact reflected above is based on status quo FY06 fee amount and number of license issued. The estimated current collection over a 5-year period in the amount of \$14,300 will be reduced by \$8,580 to \$5,720 based on the provision of the proposed bill.