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Governor

David M. Apatang
Lieutenant Governor

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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October 02, 2024

The Honorable Karl R. King-Nabors
Chairman
Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950


The Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas
Commonwealth Legislature
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. Chairman and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have signed into law **House Local Bill No. 23-63, D1**, entitled, "To appropriate One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$114,000.00) from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes." The bill was passed unanimously by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

This bill becomes **Tinian Local Law No. 23-17**. Copies bearing my signature are forwarded for your reference.

Sincerely,



ARNOLD I. PALACIOS
Governor

cc: Lieutenant Governor; Attorney General; Commonwealth Law Revision; Secretary of Finance; Public Auditor; Special Assistant for Administration; Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan; Tinian Municipal Council; Programs & Legislative Review Office



TINIAN AND AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
Second Senatorial District
Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature

Senator Karl R. King-Nabors, Chairman
Senator Jude U. Hofschneider, Vice Chair

Senator Francisco Q. Cruz, Floor Leader
Rep. Patrick H. San Nicolas, Legislative Secretary


September 16, 2024

The Honorable Arnold I. Palacios
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Honorable Juan A. Sablan Memorial Building
Capitol Hill
Saipan, MP 96950

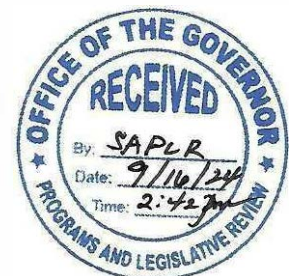
Dear Governor Palacios:

I am honored to transmit for your action **House Local Bill No. 23-63, D1**, entitled, "To appropriate One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$114,000.00) from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes.", which was passed unanimously by the Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation, Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature on its First and Final Reading, a quorum duly present during its 2nd Day, Fourth Regular Session held on September 13, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,


Francis Joan P. Kaipat
Delegation Clerk

Enclosure





**TINIAN AND AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT
TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE
FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2024**

HOUSE LOCAL BILL NO. 23-63, D1

**A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

To appropriate One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$114,000.00) from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes.

OFFERED BY


Representative Patrick H. San Nicolas
Prefiled on August 29, 2024
Introduced on August 30, 2024

HOUSE ACTION

Transmitted to Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation for action on
August 30, 2024

DELEGATION ACTION

Referred to:	None
Comments Solicited:	9/3/24: Mayor of Tinian and Aguiguan [Del. Matters 23-63] & Tinian & Aguiguan Municipal Council [Del. Matters 23-64]
Comments Received:	9/13/24 – Under Public Comment [Mayors Comm. 23-56]
Special Committee Report:	None
Passed First & Final Reading:	September 13, 2024, w/Draft 1



Frances Joan P. Kaipat
Delegation Clerk



TINIAN AND AGUIGUAN LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION
SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT
TWENTY-THIRD NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2024

H. L. B. 23-63, D1

A LOCAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR AN ACT
FOR THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT

To appropriate One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$114,000.00) from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT DELEGATION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1, TITLE 1 OF THE COMMONWEALTH CODE:

1 SECTION 1. PURPOSE.

2 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate One Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$114,000.00
3 USD) from revenues collected from poker fees in the Second Senatorial District. The certification
4 of funds was prepared on August 26, 2004 and was certified by the Secretary of Finance on August
5 29, 2024. This appropriation of local funds is not part of the FY2024 Budget Act. Therefore, this
6 local appropriation of local funds does not contravene 1CMC§ 7401 and 1 CMC §7404(d) or any
7 other provision of the CNMI Budget Act.

1 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS.**

2 Notwithstanding any provision(s) of law, statutes, rules or regulations to the contrary and
3 pursuant to funds allocated to the Second Senatorial District from poker fees, the Tinian and
4 Aguiguan Legislative Delegation hereby appropriates One Hundred Fourteen Dollars
5 (\$114,000.00) of the revenues collected for the Second Senatorial District from the poker fees as
6 follows:

- 7 (A) Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) to Tinian Municipal Council for operations.
- 8 (B) Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation
9 for operations.
- 10 (C) Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) to the Mayor of Tinian for personnel and
11 operations, expenditure of the funds under Section 2 shall be the Mayor of Tinian.
- 12 (D) Twenty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$23,000.00) to the Mayor's Discretionary
13 Account, expenditure of the funds under Section 2 shall be the Mayor of Tinian.

14 **SECTION 3. EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY.**

- 15 (A) The expenditure authority for funds under Section 2(A) shall be the Chairman of the
16 Tinian Municipal Council.
- 17 (B) The expenditure authority for funds under Section 2(B) shall be the Chairman of the
18 Tinian and Aguiguan Legislative Delegation.
- 19 (C) The expenditure authority for funds under Section 2(C) and (D) shall be the Mayor
20 of Tinian and Aguiguan.

1 **SECTION 4. REPROGRAMMING.**

2 Funds appropriated under this act shall not be reprogrammed for any other purpose and
3 notwithstanding any provision of law, all funds appropriated under this Act shall be without fiscal
4 year limitation(s).

5 **SECTION 5. REPORTING OF EXPENDITURES.**

6 The recipient of the funds allocated under Section 2 of this Act shall be responsible to
7 report all expenses responsible to report all expenses to the Secretary of the Department of Finance
8 by the end of the 2024 calendar year. Provided further that failure to provide all expenses, entities
9 that were afforded funds under this Act shall not be able to avail to any future funds appropriated
10 by the Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation.

11 **SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY.**

12 If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision to any person or
13 circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act
14 or the application of its provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held
15 invalid shall not be affected thereby.

16 **SECTION 7. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

17 This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any existing
18 right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or
19 order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding
20 instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of the Act shall not have the effect of
21 terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in

1 existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

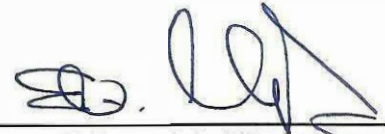
2 **SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

3 This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
4 without such approval.

CERTIFIED BY:



Karl R. King-Nabors
Chairman
Tinian & Aguiguan Legislative Delegation



Edmund S. Villagomez
Speaker
23rd House of Representatives

Approved this 2nd day of October, 2024.



Arnold I. Palacios
Governor
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands



Office of the Secretary

Department of Finance



Level Certification:
Funding Source:
Project Name:
Requestor:

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4 CMC § 1503 (a)
Tinian Poker - Revenue
Legislature (Rep. Patrick San Nicolas)

JDE BU: 3301
Project Ledger: RL17010018
General Ledger: 3301
Prepared on: 08/14/2024

	JDE	PROJECT LEDGER	GENERAL LEDGER	TOTAL
				FY 2021
Transfers In	\$ 3,425,827.00			\$ 3,425,827.00
Transfers Out				\$ -
Actuals (TL 22-05 & Prior TL)	\$ 3,260,924.00			\$ (3,260,924.00)
Encumbrance				\$ -
Ending Balance FY2021				\$ 164,903.00
				FY 2022
Transfers In		\$ 180,000.00		\$ 180,000.00
Transfers Out				\$ -
Actuals (TL 22-08)		\$ 140,000.00		\$ (140,000.00)
Encumbrance				\$ -
Ending Balance FY2022				\$ 204,903.00
				FY 2023
Transfers In			\$ 192,000.00	\$ 192,000.00
Transfers Out				\$ -
Actuals (TL 23-1 & 4)			\$ 68,000.00	\$ (68,000.00)
Actuals (TL 23-3)			\$ 124,000.00	\$ (124,000.00)
Ending Balance FY2023				\$ 204,903.00
				FY 2024
Transfers In			\$ 145,000.00	\$ 145,000.00
Transfers Out				\$ -
Actuals (TL 23-11) fmr TL 23-7			\$ 188,903.00	\$ (188,903.00)
Actuals (TL 23-12)			\$ 47,000.00	\$ (47,000.00)
Ending Balance FY2024				\$ 114,000.00

Certified Balance as of 7/31/2024 \$114,000.00



Office of the Secretary

Department of Finance



Level Certification:	2	JDE BU:	3301
Funding Source:	4 CMC § 1503 (a)	Project Ledger:	RL17010018
Project Name:	Tinian Poker - Revenue	General Ledger:	3301
Requestor:	Legislature (Rep. Patrick San Nicolas)	Prepared on:	08/14/2024

SUMMARY OF TINIAN POKER APPROPRIATIONS (FY 2021-2024)

FY 2022	
TLL 22-08	\$ 140,000.00
FY 2023	
TLL 23-01	\$ 68,000.00
TLL 23-03	\$ 124,000.00
TLL 23-04 reapp. TL 23-01	\$ 36,000.00
FY 2024	
TLL23-07 amend. TLL 23-11	\$ 188,903.00
TLL 23-12	\$ 47,000.00

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YTD Budget Report as of 07/31/24 \$ 349,903.00

JDE De-Obligation of Encumbrances Debit Credit
 No Adjustments Needed

General Journal Debit Credit
 No Adjustments Needed

Budget Transfers and Amendments	Decrease	Increase
RL17010018.51170100.69000 <i>Decrease the PL balance to zero</i>	\$ (64,000.00)	
51170100.69000.3301 <i>Budget adjustment</i>	\$ (235,903.00)	

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