

**I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN  
2019 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Bill No. 36 -35 (COR)**

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 24 TO CHAPTER XII  
OF PUBLIC LAW 34-116, RELATIVE TO  
APPROPRIATING EXCESS SECTION 30 REVENUES TO  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL  
SERVICES FOR LOCAL MATCHING REQUIREMENTS  
FOR MEDICAID AND TO THE GUAM MEMORIAL  
HOSPITAL AUTHORITY.**

1 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

2 **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.**

3 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the Department of Public Health and Social  
4 Services (DPHSS) is in urgent need of approximately \$16 million dollars for local  
5 matching requirements for Medicaid, Child Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and  
6 Enhanced Allotment Program (EAP) in order to pay claims through the end of  
7 Fiscal Year 2019. The estimated \$16 million dollars does not account for potential  
8 medical claims that have not been submitted to DPHSS yet.

9 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that every dollar spent as local matching  
10 funds allows DPHSS to access unspent federal Affordable Care Act (ACA) grant  
11 funds, currently estimated at \$61 Million Dollars still available for Guam. DPHSS  
12 can potentially access additional unspent federal Affordable Care Act (ACA) grant  
13 funds if additional local matching funds are made available.

1           *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that the Guam Memorial Hospital  
2 Authority (GMHA) continues to be in dire need of capital improvements and  
3 equipment to meet the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)  
4 requirements.

5           *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that \$78 million dollars was estimated as  
6 revenue during Fiscal Year 2019 from Federal Income Tax Collection – Section 30  
7 Funds in Section 5(I)(B) of Public Law 34-116. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further  
8 finds that the government of Guam may receive additional revenue in Section 30  
9 Funds from the federal government in Fiscal Year 2019.

10           It is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to prioritize the use of any  
11 additional Section 30 Funds received during Fiscal Year 2019 on healthcare.

12           **Section 2.** A new Section 24 of Chapter XII of Public Law 34-116 is  
13 hereby *added* to read:

14           “Section 25. Excess Section 30 Revenues. For Fiscal Year 2019, if  
15 Section 30 revenues, net of Overpayment for Make Work Pay Tax Credit,  
16 are collected in excess of Seventy-eight Million Dollars (\$78,000,000), the  
17 amount of the sum collected by the government of Guam in excess of said  
18 amount but no more than Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) shall be  
19 appropriated to the Department of Public Health and Social Services for the  
20 purposes of the local matching requirement for the Medicaid program; and  
21 the amount of the sum collected by the government of Guam in excess of  
22 said amount but no more than Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) shall be  
23 appropriated to the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority for its capital  
24 improvements projects or to purchase medical equipment.

25           The Director of Administration shall be required to report to the  
26 Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* such collection of Section 30 Revenues in

1 excess of Seventy-eight Million Dollars (\$78,000,000) not later than five (5)  
2 days after receipt of such funds.”