

**I MINA'TRENTAI SINGKO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
**2020 (SECOND) Regular Session**  
**LEGISLATIVE SESSION VOTING RECORD**

Bill No. 232-35 (COR) As amended by the Committee on Education, Air Transportation, and Statistics, Research, and Planning; and further amended on the Floor.	Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco Legislative Session Hall Guam Congress Building March 11, 2020					
NAME	Aye	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent	Excused
Senator William M. CASTRO	✓					
Senator Régine Biscoe LEE	✓					
Senator Kelly G. MARSH (TAITANO), PhD	✓					
Senator James C. MOYLAN	✓					
Senator Louise B. MUÑA	✓					
Speaker Tina Rose MUÑA BARNES	✓					
Vice Speaker Telen Cruz NELSON	✓					
Senator Sabina Flores PEREZ	✓					
Senator Clynton E. RIDGELL	✓					
Senator Joe S. SAN AGUSTIN	✓					
Senator Amanda L. SHELTON	✓					
Senator Telo T. TAITAGUE	✓					
Senator Jose "Pedo" TERLAJE	✓					
Senator Therese M. TERLAJE	✓					
Senator Mary Camacho TORRES	✓					

**TOTAL: 15**

Aye

Nay

Not Voting/  
Abstained

Out During  
Roll Call

Absent

Excused

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

RENNAE V. C. MENO  
Clerk of the Legislature

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Introduced by:

Telena Cruz Nelson

**AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 715(1)(13) OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO DEFINING THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY (180) INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS EQUIVALENT AS NINE HUNDRED (900) INSTRUCTIONAL HOURS FOR GUAM PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS; AND REQUIRING THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP A STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE FOR MAKING UP THE LOSS OF INSTRUCTIONAL TIME FOR GUAM'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS.**

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

2           **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds  
3 that Public Law 28-45, the “Every Child is Entitled to an Adequate Public Education  
4 Act” (Act), mandated at least one hundred eighty (180) instructional days each  
5 school year; and, Public Law 34-105 amended the Act by converting the one hundred  
6 eighty (180) instructional days into nine hundred (900) instructional hours for  
7 elementary schools and one thousand two hundred sixty (1,260) instructional hours  
8 for secondary schools.

1            *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that on October 24, 2019, the Guam  
2 Education Board (GEB) transmitted to *I Liheslatura* an amended Guam Education  
3 Board Resolution 2019-10, relative to requesting the 35<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature to  
4 amend the requirement that public schools provide a minimum of the equivalent of  
5 one hundred eighty (180) instructional days.

6            *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds, through GEB Resolution 2019-10, that  
7 the Joint Board Union Calendar Committee (JBUCC), comprised of school  
8 administrators, designees and representatives of the Guam Federation of Teachers,  
9 the Guam Department of Education Payroll Officer, the Program Director of Head  
10 Start, deputy superintendents, and a GEB member who serves as a liaison, advised  
11 the Superintendent of Education (Superintendent) that the amendment written in  
12 Public Law 34-105 created discrepancies between elementary and secondary  
13 schools' instructional hours by including and excluding meal times and breaks.

14            *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that the JBUCC suggested that the one  
15 hundred eighty (180) instructional days or its equivalence be converted to nine  
16 hundred (900) instructional hours, at a minimum, per school year for both  
17 elementary and secondary schools; and that the Superintendent be required to  
18 develop a standard operating procedure for the make-up of a loss in instructional  
19 hours.

20            Thus, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to mandate nine hundred (900)  
21 instructional hours per school year for Guam's elementary and secondary public  
22 schools; and further intends to mandate that the Superintendent develop a standard  
23 operating procedure for making up the loss of instructional time for Guam's public  
24 schools.

25            **Section 2.** § 715(l)(13) of Chapter 7, Title 1, Guam Code Annotated, is  
26 hereby *amended* to read:

1           “(13) at least one hundred eighty (180) instructional days, or its  
2           equivalence, including make-up hours each school year with school years  
3           ending no later than thirty (30) days following the end of the calendared  
4           school year.

5                   (A)   The one hundred eighty (180) instructional days are to be  
6                   converted into nine hundred (900) instructional hours per school year  
7                   for both elementary and secondary schools.

8                   (B)   The Superintendent of Education shall develop a standard  
9                   operating procedure for making up a loss in instructional hours caused  
10                  by the occurrence of an emergency or a natural disaster. Scheduled  
11                  Easter and Christmas breaks shall not be included in make-up days or  
12                  hours; and”

13           **Section 3. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any  
14           person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such invalidity shall  
15           not affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without  
16           the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are  
17           severable.

18           **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.