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BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	FISCAL NOTES	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
281-38 (COR)	Therese M. Terlaje	AN ACT TO <i>ADD</i> A NEW § 3101.5 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO EXPANDING GUAM'S WORKFORCE THROUGH A DIRECT DRIVER'S LICENSE PATHWAY FOR ADULTS.	2/24/26 9:43 a.m.	3/5/26	Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement.	Request: 3/5/26 3/11/26	6/18/26 9:00 a.m.	8/28/26 As Amended.	



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August 26, 2026

The Honorable Frank F. Blas Jr.
Speaker

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Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
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VIA: Honorable Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada 
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

RE: Committee Report on Bill No. 281-38 (COR) - As Amended

Buenas yan Håfa adai, Speaker Blas

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Committee votes are as follows:

<u>3</u>	TO DO PASS
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Sincerely,


TELO T. TAITAGUE
Senator



COMMITTEE ON RULES

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TO: All Members
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FROM: Senator Telo T. Taitague
Committee Chairperson

SUBJECT: Committee Report on Bill No. 281-38 (COR)- As Amended

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This report includes the following:

- Copy of COR Referral of Bill No. 281-38 (COR)
- Notice of Public Hearing
- Public Hearing Agenda
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Written Testimonies and Additional Documents
- Committee Vote Sheet and E-mails
- Committee Report Digest
- Copy of Bill No. 281-38 (COR), As Introduced
- Copy of Bill No. 281-38 (COR), As amended
- Copy of Bill No. 281-38 (COR), Markup
- Copy of Fiscal Note from the Bureau of Budget & Management Research

Please take the appropriate action on the attached vote sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Si Yu'os ma'åse'!

Senator Telo T. Taitague - Chairperson



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Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairperson
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July 2, 2026

To: **Rennae V. C. Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Darleen E.H. Phillips
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada** 
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: **Referral of Bill No. 338-38 (COR)**

Håfa Adai,

As per my authority as Chairperson of the Committee on Rules and subject to §6.01(d)(1), Rule VI of our Standing Rules, I am forwarding the referral of **Bill No. 338-38 (COR)** - Telo T. Taitague, Jesse A. Lujan. – “AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 70.470 TO ARTICLE 4 OF CHAPTER 70, TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROHIBITING THE UNAUTHORIZED OPERATION OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT OVER DESIGNATED PORT AUTHORITY OF GUAM PROTECTED CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITIES.”

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred to the Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement chaired by Senator Telo T. Taitague. I also request that the same be copied to the Prime Sponsor of the subject bill and to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.

A copy of the bill is available on our legislative website.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Kamarin Nelson, Committee on Rules Director at 671-472-2461.





Senator Telo Taitague <senatortelot@gmail.com>

FIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing on Thursday, June 18, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

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11 June 2026 at 06:00

To: phnotice@guamlegislature.gov

Cc: Ed Pocaigue <sgtfarms@guamlegislature.gov>

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16 June 2026 at 08:09

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3 June 2026 at 11:10

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Bcc: Charissa Manibusan <senatortelot.charissa@gmail.com>, Isah Peredo <senatortelot.isah@gmail.com>, Alana Ungacta <senatortelot.alana@gmail.com>

Håfa adai Ms. Lizama,

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3 June 2026 at 14:12

To: "Marie P. Lizama" <marie.lizama@revtax.guam.gov>

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To: Senator Telo Taitague <senatortelot@gmail.com>

5 June 2026 at 15:43

Hafa Adai, Senator Taitague.

I acknowledge receipt of your e-mail.

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16 June 2026 at 15:25

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Respectfully,

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Senator Telo T. Taitague
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Attachment: Copy of Bill No. 281-38 (COR)



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I will be there, thank you!

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Thank you for your understanding.

Respectfully,

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3 June 2026 at 12:15

Senator Telo Taitague <senatortelot@gmail.com>

To: Excellent Driving School LLC <excellentdrivingschool@yahoo.com>

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I understand and appreciate your scheduling constraints during the busy summer season. Although you are unable to attend the public hearing, the Committee would welcome any written testimony you may wish to provide for consideration as part of the public record.

Written testimony may be submitted via email to our office at your convenience prior to or 5 business days following the hearing.

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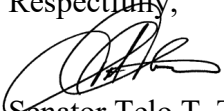
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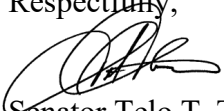
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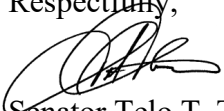
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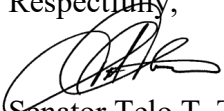
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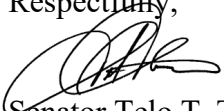
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Confirming receipt of this email. GCC will be providing testimony.

Mary
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Dear Senator and staff. Thank you for your email. However, I am just confirming that this invitation was meant for TOHGE Corporation? Thank you very much. Best regards, Brian.

Ånes-miyu,**P.O. Box 811****Hagatna, Gu 96932****(671) 989-6687**

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15 June 2026 at 10:35

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15 June 2026 at 11:29

To: Senator Telo Taitague <senatortelot@gmail.com>

Cc: gycspeaker.fortuno@gmail.com

Hafa Adai Senator Taitague,

I wanted to inform you that I will be unable to attend the public hearing in person. I will be submitting my written testimony for Bill 281-38 later today.

Si Yu'us Ma'åse.

Very Respectfully,

VICE SPEAKER TREVAN ATOIGUE*Proudly Representing the Municipality of Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon*

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Hafa adai Vice Speaker Atoigue,

Thank you for the update. We look forward to your testimony!

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17 June 2026 at 08:36

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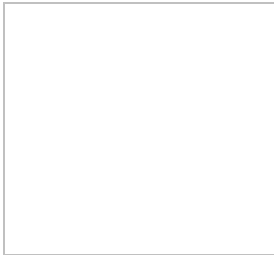
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18 June 2026 at 12:39

Håfa Adai,
I apologize for the inconvenience. I attempted to submit my testimony, but it appears it did not go through. I understand that the public hearing was held today, but please let me know if you would still like to receive my testimony for Bill 281-38.

Si Yu'us Må'ase.

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18 June 2026 at 12:58

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Thursday, June 18, 2026, at 9:00AM

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Bill No. 281-38 (COR) - Introduced by Therese M. Terlaje - *"AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 3101.5 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO EXPANDING GUAM'S WORKFORCE THROUGH A DIRECT DRIVER'S LICENSE PATHWAY FOR ADULTS."*

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Testimony for Bill no. 281-38 (COR)

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My husband and I came to Guam in 1995 to work for K&L Driving school, under the tutelage of Lon Bottcher. We opened our own driving school, Better Drivers Driving Education in 2002 and have taught 1000s of Guam residents over the years. Thank you for allowing us to give input on Bill no. 281-38

The Safe Street Act of 1994 was set in place due to a large number of teen deaths on Guam highways. By requiring newly licensed drivers to attend a 32 hr. class instruction and 8 hrs. behind the wheel, the goal was to improve driving outcomes on the island. It was not to make getting a license easier. Prior to the law anyone who wanted a license just had to pass a written and road test to be fully licensed. This was proven to not be adequate to ensure new drivers really understood the rules of the road and to drive safely.

The addition of Graduated licensing laws to the driving licensing process was to address the immaturity of teen drivers. However, Guam has a unique driving population, so when the law was first implemented it was decided to not put an age on this. As pointed out in the bill, this has put undue hardship on those 21 and older who are trying to get into the workforce.

We want to thank Senator Terlaje for wanting to address this issue and we are 100% in agreement that those 21 yrs. and older should not be subject to the Graduated licensing law. Yet the educational aspect should not be thrown away. If the education aspect is taken out of the law, and anyone 21 or older just has to go back to the old rules, you are doing a great disservice to the island and will find an increase in traffic accidents and fatalities.

It is our experience that teenage drivers are not the problem on the road. They are more likely to follow the rules and obey the laws as a result of driver education classes and their own personal recognition that they need to do better. The graduated licensing allows them to gain the practice they need before allowing them complete freedom to drive by themselves. Older drivers have more experience and do not need the additional time that graduated licensing requires, but it doesn't negate the need for education. We have encountered many new drivers in the 20 to 30 year range who have appreciated learning the rules and safety precautions to survive a lifetime of driving. We don't just help people pass a written or road test. We help improve individual driving outcomes by providing more safety training and awareness of issues on the road.

Passing a 40 question multiple choice test and a 15-minute road test is inadequate as per the Safe Street Act. Any activity that has a level of risk should require, at the bare minimum, a safety briefing. The education aspect should not be ignored.

I would like to personally address the requirement of the 3-year traffic clearance. How can a person who is 21, who never had a license have 3 years of a clean driving record if legally they were not allowed to drive without a permit or license? Anyone having a clean record has (A) never driven before, therefore is completely inexperienced and passing a written and road test is not equivalent to experience or (B) has been driving illegally for the past three years and somehow stayed under the radar and avoided accidents. Driving illegally should not be an automatic pass.

In conclusion we would like to see the Bill revised to reflect the change in age requirement for graduated licensing to exclude those 21 and older. But please do not do away with the driving school requirements for all newly licensed drivers no matter their age. So this means that anyone 21yrs or older would still be required to take the 32 hr. class instruction prior to their permit test and the 8hr behind the wheel requirement prior to their road test. We feel this will provide the best outcome for Guam's roadways.

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Testimony in Support of Bill No. 281-38 (COR), Driver's License Pathway for Adults

Guam Community College recognizes that access to reliable transportation is a significant barrier to both education and employment on Guam. For many residents, particularly adult learners, low-income individuals, single parents, and those seeking to enter or re-enter the workforce, the ability to obtain a driver's license is often directly connected to their ability to attend classes, participate in internships and apprenticeships, complete workforce training, and secure and maintain employment.

As Guam's public career and technical education institution, GCC serves students, apprentices and trainees across a wide range of workforce sectors, including construction trades, healthcare, transportation, hospitality, information technology, public safety, and industrial maintenance. Many of these occupations require employees to travel to job sites, work non-traditional hours, or possess a valid driver's license as a condition of employment. Consequently, transportation limitations frequently impede an individual's ability to fully participate in education and workforce development opportunities.

The College supports efforts that responsibly reduce unnecessary barriers that prevent qualified adults from obtaining a driver's license and accessing employment opportunities. GCC recognizes that requirements originally designed for adolescent and inexperienced drivers may present unique challenges for working adults who must balance employment, family obligations, childcare responsibilities, and financial constraints while attempting to complete licensure requirements.

At the same time, GCC strongly believes that any pathway to licensure must continue to uphold recognized road safety standards and ensure that all drivers possess the knowledge, skills, judgment, and competency necessary to operate a motor vehicle safely. Public safety must remain the foremost consideration in any licensing framework. The College, therefore,

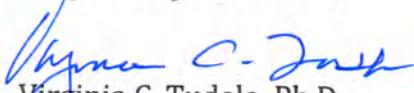
supports approaches that maintain rigorous written examinations, vision and hearing requirements, and comprehensive behind-the-wheel skills assessments consistent with national road safety norms and best practices.

GCC appreciates that Bill 281-38 seeks to balance these two important public interests: expanding workforce participation and economic opportunity while preserving standards designed to protect motorists, passengers, pedestrians, and the broader community. By maintaining competency-based testing requirements and limiting eligibility to adults twenty-one years of age and older with demonstrated records of responsible behavior, the measure attempts to provide an alternative pathway that acknowledges the realities facing many adult learners and workers.

The College further notes that reducing transportation barriers can produce broader workforce and economic benefits for Guam. Greater access to driver's licenses may increase participation in workforce training programs, improve job retention, expand access to employment opportunities in underserved communities, and help employers address ongoing workforce shortages across multiple sectors of the economy.

Accordingly, Guam Community College supports the Legislature's efforts to explore policies that remove barriers to education, training, and employment while ensuring that any licensing pathway remains grounded in public safety, competency-based evaluation, and nationally recognized principles of responsible driver licensure.

Respectfully submitted,


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Maria P. Espinoza

June 18, 2026

Senator Telo T. Taitague

Chairperson: Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement

REF: Bill 281-38 (COR)

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to express my objections to this Bill. Initially, I was happy to see that Senator Terlaje filed a Bill which addresses the cumbersome process of earning a driver's license here on Guam, and gives a solution to assist individuals earn that Driver's License. Unfortunately, I don't agree with the conclusion/justification made to award an individual a driver's license under the proposed, following circumstances.

I must start at the end of the Bill. According to:

“§ 3101.5(a) (3) The individual must pass, “Successful completion of the Vision, hearing, **written knowledge examination** (my emphasis), and on-road skills test as required by § 3101 (h) ...”

Senators, passing a written test is THE problem for some individuals. After completing the mandated classes and passing the test prepared and administered by the Private Driving Schools, some individuals FAIL the test prepared and administered by Revenue & Tax at UOG; they fail it not once, not twice, but for a 3rd time. In fact, I know a woman who speaks good conversational English, but evidently, the Private Driver's School she attended (and paid the fee), did not adequately prepare her to pass the real test at UOG. I know that she read the Driver's Handbook, but she still failed the test three times!

Senators, I tried unsuccessfully to get some data to support my contention that many individuals do not pass the test at their first try and have to take it again. I also acknowledge that Rev & Tax have made accommodations to make it easier: I was told that if English is not your primary language, an individual can request to take the test with other non-English

speakers in a group setting at UOG; the Proctor is expected to read the questions out loud and the “students” are given time to answer/choose the correct answer.

Senators, I would support this Bill if a few more words are added to (3) above:

“Successful completion of the vision and hearing tests; [completion of a] written knowledge examination **[with accommodations for the non-English speaker]**; and an on-road skills test as required by § 3101 (h) ...”

Inserting the word “accommodations” will allow Rev & Tax to legally modify the written test so that people may actually pass the test the first time around.

A second observation that I object to is the statement in “§ 3101.5 **(a)(1)**:

Submission to DRT of an original traffic clearance letter issued by 9 the Superior Court of Guam, dated not more than thirty (30) days prior to the 10 application, certifying that **the applicant has no convictions for any traffic 11 offense within the three (3) years immediately preceding the application;**

I find this line very disturbing. We blatantly acknowledge that, not only are some people driving illegally, but that they have been doing so for as many as three (3) years. We are saying that it is OK to be driving illegally - just DO NOT get caught for three years!

We do not want to encourage illegal driving. This implies a negative, domino effect: If the illegal driver(A) gets into an accident, he/she will not be covered under the existing Insurance Provider, or may not even have insurance. If the accident involves a second automobile and driver (B) requires medical attention, driver (A) may end up in jail. I’m sure we agree that the goal of this Bill is to eliminate the obstacles to earning a legal driver’s license; one that proves the driver understands the rules associated with driving on Guam’s roads.

In Conclusion: I support the idea that individuals who are twenty-one years or older should not be required to pay a fee to attend a Driver’s Edu Class; However, the emphasis of this Bill should be that the applicant should be:

- EXPECTED to study (feverishly if necessary) to pass the written test, with accommodation whenever absolutely necessary;
- The applicant should pass an on-the-road driver’s test,
- Pass vision and hearing tests!

- Submit a traffic clearance letter from the Courts. However, any traffic infractions will determine how long the license permit will last: For example, someone who gets a speeding ticket may qualify the driver up to two years of driving before his/her expiration date. However, if someone is involved in an accident he/she may be allowed to renew after driving only six-months, and must re-take the test.

Finally, I want to clarify what I mean by an “Accommodation”. A Driver’s Test should be designed to reflect that the applicant understands the RULES of driving on Guam’s roads. In other words, the Test should not be written to test the applicant’s knowledge of the English language. This is why the “written” test can accommodate the non-English speaker by preparing a Pictorial Format. There are many examples of pictorial instructions in the “Territory of Guam Driver’s Handbook.” Cut & paste as many relevant pictures and have the applicant answer a simple statement about the picture with a True or False.

Once again, I thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony. Should you be interested to review my emails to Ms Lizama, Dir. Rev & Tax, and to Ms Pangelinan, Motor Vehicle Division, I will make them available. Should you have questions at a later date, my contact information are available above.

Sincerely,

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Proposed Bill 281-38 As Amended

1 message

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13 August 2026 at 17:31

Håfa Adai Chairwoman Taitague,

Please see the attached letter regarding Bill No. 281-38 along with the proposed bill (mark-up and clean version) as amended.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

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RE: Bill No. 281-38

Hafa Adai Chairwoman Taitague

Following the public hearing for Bill No. 281-38, please see the suggested amended bill based on testimony. The following changes were included:

- Expanded the eligibility criteria for the Adult Direct Licensing Pathway to require that applicants have no convictions for criminal offenses arising out of the operation of a motor vehicle. This language was added to address concerns that the bill, as introduced, did not disqualify individuals with criminal offenses that may not be considered traffic offenses, such as impaired driving, vehicular homicide, hit and run, and similar offenses.
- Required an affidavit to verify the records of individuals from jurisdictions outside of Guam, in line with the Department of Revenue and Taxation's recommendation. The affidavit requirement also replaces the original traffic clearance requirement for local applicants to streamline the process and save customers time and money.
- Clarified the language exempting applicants under the Adult Direct Licensing Pathway from Graduated Driver's License requirements, including supervised driving-hour and learner's permit requirements.
- Added an eight-month period before enactment (on May 1, 2027) to allow DMV sufficient time to prepare for implementation of the provisions of the Act.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

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Bill No. 281-38 (COR) Committee Amendments and Request for Feedback

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Håfa Adai Acting Administrator Pangelinan,

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The Committee is actively working to report Bill No. 281-38 out of Committee. Based on the testimony and recommendations received during the public hearing, and in collaboration with the bill's sponsor, Senator Therese M. Terlaje, the Committee has made several amendments intended to address the concerns raised while preserving the bill's goal of providing a more practical licensing pathway for adults age twenty-one (21) and older.

The proposed amendments include:

- Expanded disqualifying offenses: Section 3101.5(a) now provides that an applicant must not have been convicted within the preceding three (3) years of a traffic offense or a criminal offense arising out of the operation of a motor vehicle, whether on Guam or in another jurisdiction. This responds to testimony that serious offenses such as impaired driving or other motor-vehicle-related criminal offenses may not necessarily be classified simply as traffic offenses.
- Affidavit and prior driving history: Section 3101.5(a)(1) replaces the Guam traffic-clearance requirement with an affidavit under penalty of perjury covering qualifying offenses on Guam and in other jurisdictions. If applicable, the applicant must also identify jurisdictions where he or she held a license during the prior three years and authorize DRT to verify available driving records. This incorporates DMV's recommendation regarding out-of-jurisdiction driving histories and record verification.
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- Clarification of the GDL exemption: Section 3101.5(b) clarifies that qualifying adults are exempt from the Graduated Driver's License requirements under Article 1A, including supervised driving-hour and learner's permit requirements, except for the specific safeguards established under § 3101.5.
- Implementation period: the bill would take effect on May 1, 2027, providing DMV additional time to prepare for implementation, consistent with the timeframe requested during the public hearing.

We respectfully ask DMV to review these amendments and advise whether they adequately address the concerns and recommendations raised in your testimony. If DMV believes further clarification or amendment is necessary, please provide your recommendations and, where possible, suggested language.

The Committee is working to route Bill No. 281-38 for Committee votes and report it out by Monday, August 24, 2026 in order to meet the Legislature's Committee on Rules deadlines to make the measure eligible for consideration during the next regular session in September. Accordingly, if DMV has any concerns or recommended changes to the proposed amendments, we respectfully ask that they be provided to the Committee as soon as possible.

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Håfa Adai Senator Taitague,

Si Yu'us Ma'åsi for providing the Committee's proposed amended changes to Bill No. 281-38 (COR) and the opportunity for Department of Revenue & Taxation, Motor Vehicle Division (MVD), to submit final recommendations for refinement prior to passage. Our response reflects:

- The Committee's August 19, 2026 correspondence requesting feedback.
- The Committee's markup draft of Bill 281-38.
- DMV's June 15 testimony offering Qualified Support with Recommended Amendments.
- National best practices from DOT, NHTSA, FMCSA, ADTSEA, GHSA, AAA Foundation, ATSIP, and AAMVA.
- MVD's current operational capacity, modernization initiatives, regulatory obligations, and readiness to implement critical improvements.

MVD remains committed to expanding responsible adult access to licensure while upholding our foremost responsibility: **protecting the traveling public and ensuring the integrity of Guam's driver licensing system.**

I. CURRENT OPERATING CAPACITY

MVD would like to provide context regarding our current operating capacity, which is essential for the Legislature to consider in finalizing statutory requirements.

A. Staffing Constraints (13 Total Personnel)

MVD's entire licensing branch consists of 13 staff members who manage all licensing, testing, compliance, regulation, and modernization responsibilities for Guam. This staffing limitation directly affects our ability to meet new statutory mandates.

B. System Instability & Modernization Needs

While we have been working with system instability is related to legacy systems and connectivity issues, interfacing of numerous providers, as well as the primary software, we are diligently working to address these issues. We are pleased to report that MVD has initiated hardware refresh improvements funded by our TAP FY25 Grant. To date we have submitted all requisitions for replacement of our hardware and accessories. However, the Division continues to experience systems instability, intermittent outages, and limitations in digital infrastructure. Our team is engaged in continuous data-modernization efforts with the support of AAMVA and other jurisdictions, but progress remains limited by available resources.

C. Regulatory Obligations Not Yet Promulgated

Numerous laws affecting DMV have been enacted but cannot be fully implemented because corresponding rules and regulations have yet to be promulgated. Additionally, Guam's DMV schedule of fees requires updating to reflect the true cost of service delivery and modernization needs.

D. Driver Education Program – Ready for Promulgation

MVD is pleased to report significant progress: we have completed and are ready to submit the proposed Rules and Regulations for Guam's Driver Education Program for promulgation, including updates consistent with national best practices.

E. FMCSA Compliance & Federal Grant Alignment

MVD is actively preparing recommended legislative amendments needed for compliance with the MCSAP grant program to ensure continued eligibility for federal safety funding.

F. National Collaboration

MVD continues working closely with national transportation and licensing organizations. The trajectory is positive, but legislative support is needed to convert this progress into full implementation.

II. PROPOSED AMENDED CHANGES TO Bill No. 281-38 (COR)

As I previously testified, we support expanding access to driver's licenses for responsible adults.

We respectfully submit the following recommendations **to ensure applicants age 21 and older may appropriately qualify through an alternative pathway while protecting public safety and maintaining system integrity.**

A. Section 3101.5(a) – Expanded Disqualifying Offenses

We appreciate the inclusion of both traffic and motor-vehicle-related criminal offenses within the past three years across all jurisdictions. This aligns with national safety practices and supports accurate risk identification.

**B. Section 3101.5(a)(1) – Verification of Out-of-Jurisdiction Driving Histories
Recommendations:**

1. Authorize MVD to verify available driving history through interstate systems.
2. Create explicit statutory requirements for sworn affidavits, disclosure of all jurisdictions, verification authority, and penalties.
3. Penalize material misrepresentation.
4. Clarify authority to delay or deny licensure when external records cannot be verified; establish a reasonable 30-day period.
5. Clarify whether non-conviction dispositions (e.g., deferred adjudication) are disqualifying.
6. These safeguards strengthen public safety while preserving accessibility.

C. Section 3101.5(a)(3) – Safety Orientation for First-Time Adult Drivers**Recommendations:**

7. Define minimum instructional duration and assessment aligned with national best practices.
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10. Allow MVD to require **remedial training for repeated exam failures.**

11. Support **testing modernization including automated systems and expanded test pools.**

E. Section 3101.5(b) – Clarification of GDL Exemption

We appreciate the clarification that adults 21+ who qualify under this provision are exempt from GDL requirements.

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To meet the minimum eight-month implementation window, MVD must prepare new systems, processes, training, verification methods, and public guidance.

We estimate staffing needs of six additional positions and testing-system modernization. One-time costs are estimated at \$1.4M – \$1.9M, with annual operational costs of \$660k – \$910k.

Implementation will require:

- Developing and updating forms and procedures
- Establishing certification and verification processes
- Drafting and promulgating regulations where necessary
- Procuring automated knowledge and skills testing systems
- Modifying workflows
- Training personnel
- Updating public education materials
- Coordinating with the Superior Court and other partners
- Implementing reporting, tracking, and compliance mechanisms

And therefore recommend

Motor Vehicle Data Modernization Fund (Recommended New Section)

To sustain modernization efforts, enhance testing integrity, and meet federal and national standards, DMV strongly recommends establishing a dedicated, non-lapsing "Motor Vehicle Data Modernization Fund."

Proposed Statutory Language:

"There is hereby established within the Department of Revenue and Taxation, Division of Motor Vehicles, a special, non-lapsing, non-transferable account to be known as the 'Motor Vehicle Data Modernization Fund.'

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1. modernization of DMV licensing systems;
2. expansion and maintenance of AAMVA-compliant test item banks and alternate test forms;
3. road-skills testing improvements and route standardization;
4. upgrades to record-verification systems and interstate sharing capabilities;
5. safety-orientation development and assessment requirements;
6. examiner training and certification;
7. system-security enhancements and workflow automation;
8. related modernization activities supporting licensing integrity and public safety.

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This approach mirrors national modernization practices endorsed by DOT, NHTSA, FMCSA, ATSIP, ADTSEA, GHSA, AAA Foundation, and AAMVA.

Conclusion

With these amendments, MVD believes the Legislature can successfully advance both objectives of Bill No. 281-38 (COR): expanding workforce access through responsible adult licensing pathways while maintaining the high standards necessary to protect Guam's motorists, passengers, pedestrians, and visitors.

We stand ready to work collaboratively with you, the Committee, and all stakeholders to finalize a pathway that is accessible, practical, verifiable, and above all, safe.

Sen Dangkulu na Si Yu'us Ma'asi!



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Bill No. 281-38 (COR) Response to DMV Recommendations

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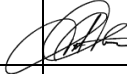
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**AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 3101.5 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED,
RELATIVE TO EXPANDING GUAM'S WORKFORCE THROUGH A DIRECT DRIVER'S LICENSE
PATHWAY FOR ADULTS.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

I. OVERVIEW

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Public Notice Requirement:

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Senators Present:

Senator Telo Taitague, Chairperson
Senator Therese M. Terlaje, Sponsor, Vice Chairperson
Senator Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao

Appearing Before the Senate Panel:

Elizabeth Barrett-Anderson, Former Judge
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II. **SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION:** The Public Hearing was Called-to-Order at **9:09 a.m.** Bill No. 281-38 (COR), introduced by Senator Therese M. Terlaje, "*AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 3101.5 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE*

TO EXPANDING GUAM'S WORKFORCE THROUGH A DIRECT DRIVER'S LICENSE PATHWAY FOR ADULTS," was the first item on the agenda.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: *Buenas, buenas and håfa adai* everyone. Before we get started, I'd like to take a moment to honor Chief Ignacio, Steve Ignacio, who recently passed away. He was a gentle soul, kind and gentle soul, and he dedicated his life to public safety. And at this moment, let's keep his memories in your hearts as we take a moment of silence and recognize him. Please stand. And may he rest in peace.

Thank you. Good morning again, and, to those who are listening from home, *buenas yan håfa adai*. This public hearing is now called to order, and the time now is 9:09am, Thursday, June 18th, 2026. This hearing is conducted by myself, *Senadot* Telo Taitague, Chairwoman on the Committee on Economic Investment, Military Build-up, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Election, and Retirement. To comply with the Open Government Law, notice of this hearing was published on PBS Guam and the Government of Guam Public Notice Portal on June 11th, 2026, and a second notice on Tuesday, June 16th, 2026. Notice of this hearing was also disseminated to all senators and media via email and is made available on the Guam Legislative website.

I would like to recognize those who are here in person, of course, and again, those who are watching from home, and welcome to your legislature. I would also like to welcome my colleagues who are joining me today, my Vice Chair of Justice, Senator Therese Terlaje, and Senator Shawn Gumataotao. Good morning, colleagues. And colleagues, the copies of the legislation and documents you received, ahead of time, can be also accessed through the Google Drive link, which is published on the public hearing notice of this hearing and also emailed to you in advance.

For the listening public, you can access the Google Drive link on the public hearing notice published on the Guam, Government of Guam Public Notice Portal at notices.guam.gov or on the Guam Legislature's website at guamlegislature.gov. If you need assistance, please feel free to call the legislature at (671) 472-3465. Before we begin, I'd like to set some rules of engagement. When you speak, please speak directly into the microphone, and for the record, please state your name, position, and who you represent. I ask those who are testifying today to stay seated for any questions my colleagues may have, and then you'll be excused. However, if you need to leave earlier, please let me know, and I'll have you come first. I respectfully ask that we conduct ourselves professionally and respect each other's opinion. Those individuals who do not comply with these rules will be removed from the room and prohibited from continuing to participate.

On the following agenda this morning, our first bill that we will hear is Bill No. 281-38 (COR) introduced by Senator Therese M. Terlaje. It is "*AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 3101.5 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO EXPANDING GUAM'S WORKFORCE THROUGH A DIRECT DRIVER'S LICENSE PATHWAY FOR ADULTS.*"

The second bill that we will hear today is Bill 280-38 (COR) introduced by Senator Shawn Gumataotao. It is "*AN ACT TO AMEND § 52.10 OF CHAPTER 52 OF TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO ADD A NEW § 52.70 TO CHAPTER 52 OF TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROHIBITING INTERFERING WITH A JUDICIAL OFFICER; AND TO ADD A NEW § 55.70 TO CHAPTER 55 OF TITLE 9,*



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GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROHIBITING INTERFERING WITH A PEACE OFFICER, IN THE INTEREST OF PUBLIC SAFETY."

And the last bill that we'll hear today is Bill No. 324-38 (COR) introduced by myself, Senator Telo Taitague, which is an Act to Amend 77302 of Chapter 72, Title 21, Guam Code Annotated, Relative to Clarifying the Governance and Administrative Authority of the Guam Preservation Trust. I think this is actually different, right? Hold on one minute. Let me just verify. Okay, I apologize for that. I'm getting ahead of myself. Wanna put two bills of mine on the table at one time. I can't do it.

So, the third bill that we'll hear today is Bill 324-38 (LS), introduced by myself, Senator Telo Taitague, Senator Shelly Calvo, Senator Therese Terlaje, Senator Tina Rose Muña-Barnes, Senator V. Anthony Ada, Senator Chris Barnett, and Senator Joe San Agustin. It is, "*AN ACT TO AMEND 161.90A OF CHAPTER 161, TITLE 8, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION COMMISSION TO CONSIDER LATE APPLICATIONS UPON A SHOWING OF GOOD CAUSE.*" That's the third bill. Can't sneak the other one in. Oh, well.

Okay, that being said, the first bill on the agenda, Bill 281-38. A fiscal note on the bill was received on March 11th, 2026. DRT comments included in the fiscal note highlighted the following concerns: increased administration process. DRT further states that there will be no new verification. DRT noted the need for upgrades. DRT highlighted potential strains. DRT raised concerns about potential revenue loss. BBMR also noted that DRT estimated 2% year over year growth rate. We also gave this bill to our legal department, to review during its introduction, and at this time we heard no recommended changes or amendments at this time.

Invitations for this bill was sent out to the Department of Revenue and Taxation, the Guam Police Department, the Public Defender Service Corporation, Guam Community College, University of Guam, American Job Center, the Department of Labor, the Guam Chamber of Commerce Employment Service Division, Department of Public Health and Social Services, the Guam Youth Congress, Nissan, Cars Plus, Guam Auto Spot, Excellent Driving School, TLC Driving Center, UB Safe Driving, Carmen's Driving School, JRC Best Driving School, and Better Driving School. We definitely called everybody to try and make it to these public hearings. Even though we do publish it, it's important that we, also reach out to those impacted or those who are dealing with driver's license also, are personally invited. So, at this time, I'd like to recognize the sponsor of this legislation. Senator Terlaje, you are now recognized

SENATOR THERESE M. TERLAJE, VICE CHAIRPERSON: *Si Yu'os ma'åse.* Thank you for having this hearing, Madam Chair. So, Bill No. 281-38 (COR) is "*AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION 3101.5 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING GUAM'S WORKFORCE THROUGH A DIRECT DRIVER'S LICENSE PATHWAY FOR ADULTS.*"

So, right now we have the graduated license system, but we find that driver's licenses are directly tied to employment, workforce participation, and the ability of individuals to support themselves and their families. On Guam, where public transportation options are limited and many employment opportunities require reliable personal transportation, a valid driver's license is often essential to securing and maintaining steady work. Imposing youth-focused driver education and supervised driving hour requirements on adults, adults aged 21 and older, creates an unnecessary financial and practical barrier.

In addition, supervised driving hour requirements may require adults over twenty-one to take time off from work, arrange childcare, coordinate schedules with licensed drivers, and incur additional transportation costs while completing required hours.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the graduated driver's license system and mandatory driver education requirements are primarily designed to protect teen drivers, quote, "*Mainly because of their immaturity, lack of skills, and lack of experience*," unquote. In most states, the graduated driver's license only applies to drivers under the age of eighteen. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration was also unable to determine whether the graduated driver's license, which was designated for teenagers, benefits older novices who may have different life circumstances. These findings demonstrate that the GDL systems, the Guam, graduated driver's license systems, were structured primarily to address risks associated with minor drivers and that the applicability of such youth-focused requirements to those over twenty-one has not been conclusively established.

There is also research that shows that older novice drivers, eighteen- to twenty-year-olds, have increased crash rates immediately after licensure. Accordingly, this Act limits the proposed direct licensing pathway to individuals aged twenty-one and older, recognizing the heightened crash risk identified among drivers under that age threshold. This Act would not repeal, weaken, or diminish the graduated driver's licensing framework, but instead establishes a limited exemption for adults twenty-one and older, who have demonstrated responsible behavior by maintaining a clean traffic record for at least three years and who remain subject to all existing written, vision, and on-road skills testing requirements necessary to ensure public safety. It's meant to provide a streamlined, safe, and efficient pathway for eligible adults to obtain that driver's license while preserving all the existing testing standards that ensure competency and public safety. So, I thank you again, Madam Chair, and welcome any testimony on this bill.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you, Senator Terlaje. We did receive testimony from the Department of Revenue and Taxation, and we will include that into the committee report. Which they have mentioned they are in support of the intent of this legislation to reduce barriers to employment and provide qualified adults with pathways is the gist of their testimony. And at this time, I'd like to invite those who are here today to provide testimony. I'd like to bring up Eliz, former judge, the Honorable Elizabeth Barrett-Anderson, if she would like to please take a seat at the table along with Maria Espinosa. Yes, please kindly take a seat. Colleen Smith and Leslie Smith. Did I miss anybody for this bill on 281? Okay Hafa Aдай. Okay, we will first hear from the Honorable Elizabeth Barrett-Anderson. You may proceed.

ELIZABETH BARRET-ANDERSON, FORMER JUDGE: Thank you, Madam Chair, and Senator Terlaje. I am former Judge Elizabeth Barrett-Anderson, and I'm here primarily to testify on Bill 224, but I did see Bill



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281, Senator Terlaje, that was introduced, and I thought I'd try and add some support for it, but recommendations maybe to make it a lot stronger.

My perspective comes from my history of being the DWI Court judge, the driving while impaired judge, and of course, currently as Chairperson of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Commission. I noticed that the bill referred to traffic offenses, but it did not refer to convictions for impaired driving or vehicular homicide or vehicular negligence. So, in the bill that I have provided, I put down the list of those specific statutes, which are contained in [Title] 9 Guam Code Annotated, Chapter 92, and also *hit and run* with injuries in Title 16, which is the vehicle code. So, I just, I think, it was just an oversight. We want to make sure that if you're applying for a driver's license, you don't have a conviction for vehicular homicide or drunk or impaired driving.

So, I also, while I support an expedited pathway for older citizens to get their driver's license, if it's the first time that a person over 21 is applying for a license, I still think they need to go through basic education. Maybe not as rigid or tough as what currently is in the books. Because I think Senator, that's your intent, to make it a lot easier for people who come to Guam who have been driving, or who ... I'm sorry, for people who live here who want to drive, and maybe are driving late in life, to make it a little bit more accommodating for them. I think that makes a lot of sense, and states all have that.

So, I still think that first-time drivers over 21 and older should still have some form of education. I also support that if you've been driving for at least 10 years, maybe you don't need education because you've shown 10 or greater years of excellent driving whether it's here on Guam or in the States. So those are just my thoughts. When I saw this, I jumped in. I said, "Well, maybe I can provide some assistance to the Committee." So, thank you very much.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: You're very welcome, and we do have a written testimony from you. Would you like to read it into the record?

ELIZABETH BARRET-ANDERSON, FORMER JUDGE: No, that's okay. I'll read the other one into the record.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: Okay, well thank you so much. And at this time, next, Mrs. Espinosa, you are now recognized, ma'am.

MARIA P. ESPINOSA: My name is Maria S.P. Espinosa, and I'm here because of the experience of trying to help my friend get a driver's license. And so, I don't quite support this bill unless we, as the judge, make some suggestions to strengthen the bill. Okay, so thank you for giving me this opportunity to express my objections to this bill. Initially, I was happy to see that Senator Terlaje filed a bill which addresses the cumbersome process

of earning a driver's license here on Guam and gives a solution to assist individuals to earn that driver's license. Unfortunately, I don't agree with the conclusion or justification made to award an individual a driver's license under the proposed following circumstances. I must start at the end of the bill. That's where I found problems with this bill.

According to the Subsection 3101.5(a)3, the individual must pass a successful completion of the vision, hearing, written knowledge examination. And I put my emphasis there, and on-road skills test as required by that other subsection. Senators, passing a written test is the problem for some individuals. After completing the mandated classes and passing the test prepared and administered by the private driving schools, some individuals fail the test prepared and administered by Revenue and Tax at the University of Guam. They fail it not once, not twice, but for a third time. In fact, if I may interject, my friend I helped, she still failed the third time, and she can't drive. I'm sorry. In fact, I know a woman who speaks good conversational English, but evidently, the private driver's school she attended and paid the fee to did not adequately prepare her to pass the real test at UOG.

I know that she read the driver's handbook, but she still failed the test three times. Senators, I tried unsuccessfully to get some data to support my contention that many individuals do not pass the test at their first try and have to take it again. In fact, I have letters that I wrote to the Director, Ms. Lizama, and to the Department there which deals with driver's license, Ms. Rita, and I forget her last name, but I have the copy of the emails I sent them. I was told that if English is not your primary language... I'm sorry, I skipped a sentence. I also acknowledge that Revenue and Tax have made accommodations to make it easier. I was told that if English is not your primary language, an individual can request to take the test with non-English speakers in a group setting at UOG. The proctor is expected to read the questions out loud, and the students are given time to answer to choose the correct answer. That's really great, but the friend I had still didn't pass her test.

Senators, I would support this bill if a few more words are added to this number three above, and I'll repeat the sentence. Successful completion of the vision and hearing tests, completion of a written knowledge examination with accommodations for the non-English speaker, and an on-road test, skills test, as required by that subsection. Inserting the word accommodations will allow Revenue and Tax to legally modify the written test so that people may actually pass the test the first time around. And, just as an interjection here, I am an early childhood, I have a double major in early childhood elementary, and the key words here are prerequisite skills. If you don't know something, you can't move on. You have to master the first one thing at a time.

Okay, I will continue now. A second observation that I object to is the statement in that subsection 3101.5(a)1, submission to DRT of an original traffic clearance letter issued by the Superior Court of Guam, dated not more than thirty days prior to the application certifying that the applicant has no convictions for any traffic offense within the three years immediately preceding the application. I find this line very disturbing. We blatantly acknowledge that not only are some people driving illegally, but that they have been doing so for as many as three years. We are saying that it is okay to be driving illegally, just do not get caught for three years. We do not want to encourage illegal driving. This implies a negative domino effect. If the illegal driver, for example, gets into an accident, he or she will not be covered under the existing insurance provider or may not even have insurance. If the accident involves a second automobile and Driver B requires medical attention, Driver A may end up in jail. I'm sure we agree that the goal of this bill is to eliminate the obstacles to earning a legal driver's license, one that proves the driver understands the rules associated with driving on Guam's roads.



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In conclusion, I support the idea that individuals who are 21 years or older should not be required to pay a fee to attend a driver's education class. However, the emphasis of this bill should be that the applicant should be expected to study, feverishly, if necessary, to pass the written test with accommodation whenever absolutely necessary. The app, secondly, the applicant should pass the on-the-road driver's test. Third, pass the vision and hearing test. But lastly, when they submit a traffic clearance letter from the courts, however, any traffic infractions will determine how long the license permit will last. For example, someone who gets a speeding ticket may qualify the driver up to two years of driving before his or her expiration date. However, if someone is involved in an accident, he or she may be allowed to renew after driving only six months and must retake the test. That's just, you know, a couple ideas.

Finally, I want to clarify what I mean by accommodation. A driver's test should be designed to reflect that the applicant understands the rules of driving on Guam's roads. In other words, the test should not be written to test the applicant's knowledge of the English language. This is why the written test can accommodate the non-English speaker by preparing a pictorial format, and I might add it whenever possible. There are many examples of pictorial instructions in the territory of Guam driver's hand- handbook. Cut and paste as many relevant pictures, and have the applicant answer a simple statement about the picture with a true or false answer or multiple choice, you know? And I borrowed the copy from my friend. It completely looks like it's been opened and closed, and turned page for months at a time. But on this page in particular, page 28, you show a picture of the traffic, the roads, some with solid lines, with broken lines, and this is what they need to know.

You don't have to be an English speaker to pass a pictorial test, especially when you're talking about guests from off-island. But you have to understand if there's a broken line, there's a solid line, who goes first? Who can make a left turn? Who can make blah, blah, blah. That's what I mean, and that's why I brought this book. And so finally, once again, I thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony, and should you be interested to review my emails to Ms. Lizama, the Director of Revenue and Tax, and to Ms. Pangelinan in the Motor Vehicle Division, I will make them available. And if you should have any questions at a later date, my contact information is available above. Thank you.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: *Si Yu'os ma'åse'*, Maria. And we do have a copy of your testimony. We'll make sure we include it into the record as we go through the markup meeting as well. Thank you. *Si Yu'os ma'åse'*. The next person I called... I just want to recognize Rev and Tax is here to read the testimony, but I'll hear from these two individuals first before we end with you, okay? Thank you. Colleen Smith, you are now recognized.

COLLEEN SMITH, OWNER, BETTER DRIVERS DRIVING SCHOOL: Hi, good morning.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: Just bring it, you can bring it forward. Make it a lot easier for you. There you go. Thank you. Okay.

COLLEEN SMITH, OWNER, BETTER DRIVERS DRIVING SCHOOL: Thanks. I did submit written testimony, and I'm not...

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: State your name for the record and who you...

COLLEEN SMITH, OWNER, BETTER DRIVERS DRIVING SCHOOL: My name is Colleen Smith, and I'm with Better Drivers Driving Education. And me and my husband have been doing that business since 2002. I did submit written testimony, and I'm not going to read that testimony, but I do just want to comment on a few things. I really appreciate the judge's information that she's presented. I agree with what she was saying. And I'm sorry, I didn't get the name of the other...

ELIZABETH BARRET-ANDERSON, FORMER JUDGE: Espinosa.

COLLEEN SMITH, OWNER, BETTER DRIVERS DRIVING SCHOOL: Yeah, Espinosa. Wonderful testimony as well. I, too, was a preschool teacher, so I understand that whole concept of, learning, building on the skills. And I think that where my... I'm in agreement that graduated licensing for 21 years and older should be taken away, because that is a detriment for... It's hard for older people to get licenses with that kind of system. We especially find that people who come to Guam who have licenses from other places, but for whatever reason they cannot prove they have the license, they cannot, get Rev and Tax to acknowledge their driving experience, and then they have to go through the graduated licensing law. It's really difficult to talk to a 50-year-old man and explain he has to do what his teenage son is doing.

And as driving school, we are the ones that are on the front line that have to explain this to them and say, "We don't make these laws. We're just enforcing them." We believe highly in the education aspect of it, that we feel like the testing itself, the written test, is very difficult for non-English speakers to pass. And we have a school that is probably unique on this island in that we do really work with our students. I offer tutoring to them. I let them sit through my class as many times as they want for one fee only. I do not overcharge them. I try to make it affordable, because we understand how difficult it is to live on this island and to be able to pay your bills, especially if you can't get a job because you don't have a license. So, I work with them as much as I can. We work with a lot of the Micronesians, and they have the hardest time passing, and the concept of a pictorial test for them is just a wonderful idea. I use a lot of those kinds of tools in my teaching.

And my husband who does all the driving on the road part, he does the same thing. A lot of pictures, we draw out of the roadways and explain before they get out on the road. And we're finding that people in the age group between 20 and 30, they need that. They don't know the rules. If they've taken that, they're older trying to get a license, especially older women whose husbands have passed away and they never drove before and now they're suddenly finding themselves having to get a license. They need this extra help. So, I would just like to attest that the education part should not be totally done away with. It could be shortened a little bit. Perhaps, you know, not a 32-hour class instruction and eight hours behind the wheel, which is what the current law says, but enough that they can get education as well as the testing. I'll let my husband talk more because he has a lot better things to say.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you so much, Colleen. Mr. Smith, you are recognized. Please. Thank you.



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LESLIE SMITH, OWNER, BETTER DRIVERS DRIVING SCHOOL: Thank you. Thanks for inviting me. My name is Leslie Smith. I am Colleen's husband, and we own Better Drivers Driving Education. I've been teaching Driver's Ed since 1995 when I came to work for Lonnie Bocher at K&L Driving School. At the time, he was the only driving school. So, my DNA kind of goes far back. So, in 1994, the law was passed, the Safe Streets Act, to put all this in practice, that Driver's Ed was mandated for everyone. And it wasn't just reduced to teens. It was for everybody because of, I think, the multicultural nature of the driving environment on Guam. I wasn't here for that, but that was my understanding. So, I recognize that NHTSA Venn diagram of teen drivers and their risk and their lack of life experience and their immaturity. The immaturity part, Driver's Ed can't address, but that's what the graduated licensing was for- the six months and the year.

That was so that parents and law enforcement had something to work with teenagers in case they were acting up. We're not... Let's see. I want to get my thoughts clear. The idea that we want to make it easier for adult drivers to get licensed is in our face every day. Everybody's faced with how onerous it is for an adult to get licensed, and we certainly recognize that. Driver's Ed, we've recognized over the years, will never change Guam's driving. We can't change the world. We won't change the environment on Guam. It's too many different inputs from all over the place. And, but we do find the individual outcomes are where we can make a difference, and that's what we focus on. Driver's Ed won't change anything except there's a chance to improve individual outcomes. As my wife Colleen mentioned, adult drivers have a pretty tough time of it but they still appreciate the couple hours that we spend going over scenarios.

I have a library of scenarios that we go over. And I think it would be throwing the baby out with the bathwater if we just say that anybody over 21 doesn't need Driver's Ed. Driving is a privilege. Training in any other context is not considered to be age-related. A safety briefing and an updated safety briefing is always in order for any activity that has an element of risk. The testing process is inadequate. And the Venn diagram that I referred to that shows teenagers with their lack of experience overlapping with their lack of driving experience and life experience does not take into account that teen drivers are sharing the road with adult drivers who are acting super erratically, driving like they're in the place they come from; California drivers acting like they're in California. Teen drivers from Guam have to deal with that. The licensing process for the written test requires them to pass a 40-question test, which the opposite of people who have English troubles are smart teenagers who can pass that written test literally without reading a book. They could. They could figure it out on multiple choice strategies, on choosing the safest answer, and by doing common sense, and a certain amount of guessing would get them over the limit of 32 out of 40. The licensing process for private companies testing students is inadequate to ensure that they're ready to hit the road. We don't like that breathless kind of stuff. We're looking for...

We think that the test should be harder. It should not be customer friendly, and if we're actually... I'm sorry, if we're looking to save money for drivers, we should stop the privatized testing, put it back to the government of Guam, and let the students spend their money on traffic safety training. That's what we provide, traffic safety

training. And we don't think that it's only for teens because ironically enough, the teen driver will need to be informed that older drivers are untrained, that they jump in the car, make the car go, which was basically the strategy for driving before 1994. You could jump in the car and make the car go, and that was pretty much good enough. When it ceased to be good enough, the Safe Streets Act was passed. And I recognize we need to make things a little bit better for adult drivers, but I don't think the testing process is inadequate, and I think that people can spend a few dollars on earnest professionals teaching them updated traffic safety training on Guam, maybe a safety briefing, maybe a up-train, updated briefing if Driver's Ed sounds too condescending to adults. I think... Yeah, that's enough for me to say. Thank you.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you so much, Mr. Smith. Thank you. And at this time, I'd like to recognize Rev & Tax Zita. You are now recognized.

ZITA PANGELINAN, ACTING ADMINISTRATOR, DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES (DMV), DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE & TAXATION (DRT): *Manana si yu'os. Buenas yan hãfa adai, Chairwoman Taitague, yan i man-honorãblen members, Senator Terlaje, yan si Senator Gumataotao. I na'an hu, si Zita Pangelinan, i gumalulu'i' i Debision i Karetan Måkina gi Dipåttamenton Kontribusion yan Adu'åna. Si Yu'os ma'åse para este na putinidåt, para bai testigo put esti napåti' Bill 281-38, yan para in-supoti i entasion gi presenti para ma ribåha i chinatsaga para i man responsibli para i man gai-i-dåt para un fanmacho'cho' para u gai lesensia mañugon.*

My name is Zita Pangelinan, Acting Administrator of the Division of Motor Vehicle with the Department of Revenue and Taxation. DMV supports and offers qualified support with recommended amendments for the intent of this legislation and the goal of reducing barriers to employment for responsible adults seeking a driver's license. We recognize that on Guam, a driver's license is often essential to obtaining and maintaining employment, supporting a family, accessing healthcare, and participating fully in our community. However, as the agency responsible for Guam's driving licensing system, DMV must evaluate every proposed licensing pathway through one lens first: public safety.

Our foremost responsibility is to safeguard the traveling public by ensuring that every licensed driver possesses the knowledge, skills, and qualifications necessary to operate a motor vehicle safely on Guam's roadways. The question before us is not whether adults should have access to driver's licenses. The question is how Guam can expand access while maintaining the safeguards necessary to protect passengers, pedestrians, and visitors. National research provides important guidelines. In addition, I'm sorry. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and licensing agencies across the nation recognize that graduated driver licensing programs were designed primarily for younger novice drivers because of their elevated crash risk. Research also suggests that adults age 21 and older may warrant a different pathway than younger drivers. DMV agrees with that principle. The same national research consistently emphasizes that driver competency and driving experience remain critical factors in roadway safety regardless of age. A first-time driver at age 30 may be more mature than a 16-year-old driver, but both are still novice drivers. The distinction is important. Driving competency must remain the standard.

DMV therefore supports maintaining all existing vision, knowledge, and road skills testing requirements to ensure competency before licensure. Another concern with the bill as currently drafted is verification. The legislation requires a traffic clearance from the Superior Court of Guam. Here is a distinction the committee



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should hold onto. A clean traffic record proves an absence of violation. It does not by itself prove competency. Guam is a place where military personnel, federal employees, contractors, students, and new residents arrive regularly from elsewhere. Under the bill as drafted, an applicant could present a perfectly clean Guam clearance while having a significant driving history elsewhere that DMV has no practical means of verifying. That is a gap, and is a closable one.

In addition, as written, an applicant could present a Guam traffic clearance showing no local convictions. What it cannot verify are convictions, suspensions, revocations, DUI offenses, reckless driving violations or other driving sanctions that may have occurred in another state, territory, federal jurisdiction, or a foreign country. This is not a concern about where someone comes from. It is a concern about whether DMV can adequately verify eligibility and protect public safety. Accordingly, DMV recommends requiring applicants to provide a sworn affidavit regarding their driving history, disclose prior licensing jurisdictions, and authorize DMV to verify available driving records where possible. These are reasonable safeguards that support both access and accountability. DMV also recommends clarifying the relationship between this new pathway and Guam's graduated driving licensing program to avoid further confusion and ensure consistent administration.

Finally, I respectfully ask the committee to consider implementation realities. If enacted, this legislation will require new forms, procedures, verification processes, staff training, public education materials, and potentially the promulgation of rules and regulation. DMV respectfully requests an eight-month implementation period before the law becomes effective. This is not a request to delay access. It is a request to ensure that the program is implemented properly, consistently, and safely.

We also ask the legislature to recognize that every new licensing program creates additional operational responsibilities in addition to managing our current operations with limited resources while pushing forward with our continuous data modernization initiative and process improvement efforts. Providing adequate implementation support will help DMV maintain testing standards, verify eligibility, and continue fulfilling our public safety mission.

In closing, DMV supports the objective of expanding access to driver's licenses for responsible adults, but access and safety are not competing priorities. The most successful licensing systems achieve both. With reasonable driver skills verification, safeguards, statutory clarification, sufficient implementation time, and appropriate operational support, we believe this legislation can accomplish its workforce objectives while maintaining the integrity of Guam's driver licensing and protecting the people who use our roads every day. Public safety must remain our guiding principle. *Si Yu'os ma'åse'* for the opportunity to testify.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: *Si Yu'os ma'åse'*, Zita. Thank you so much, Zita. Okay, and at this time, I'd like to open up to my colleagues for any questions they may have, and I'll start with the author of the legislation. Senator Terlaje, you're recognized.

SENATOR THERESE M. TERLAJE, VICE CHAIRPERSON: *Si Yu'os ma'åse*, Madam Chair, and thank you all for your testimony. I really appreciate you all coming down. And I totally agree with most of it; that the bill is not intended at all to reduce any safety standards, like the standards of testing or the re-test competency. All of that should remain in place. And whether it's not adequate as it is, that's, I think, a little bit outside the scope of this bill but definitely something that we can take a look at with your help. The DMV is here. Thank you, Administrator Pangelinan, for your input as well. And so, I agree with you, and with Judge Barrett-Anderson that I did list only traffic offenses, but all those other offenses are very relevant and should be included as well, and we should be able to have a record of that.

So, I appreciate your recommendation. That's very concrete; an affidavit that they talk about what other jurisdictions they've been in and what, what other violations they might have had. I just want to talk about one provision of this bill that seems to have created some controversy; where it says that the applicant has no convictions for any traffic offense within the three years immediately preceding the application. And so, we all know this person hasn't had a Guam driver's license within the three years, or maybe they had and it was revoked. But really what I meant is that under the graduate, they might be under the graduated license program currently, right, and the age of 50, and we want to make sure that they haven't had a violation because that should not qualify them for this exemption. That's really it. That you have to have been driving legally. Of course, driving illegally should absolutely be a no, right? S

o, we want to make sure that the language of the bill reflects that; that driving illegally prior to this, no, you don't get this exemption. Driving legally under a graduated license system with offenses; no, you should not get this exemption just for extra safety measures so that it's not to give a pass for illegal driving. That was not at all the intent. So, I really appreciate that. And, so again, I agree with all the extra safety measures. I'm going to consider what your testimony says about asking that they continue with classes and that. I'm going to talk to the DMV about that and see. I intended not to require that but I do hear your testimony about safety briefings or something.

As for the exam, and making it more conducive for those with language barriers, I'm going to leave that to the DMV. I think within their rules, they are able to either address that or not, within their current rules. I mean, they would have to. So, I am sorry for the frustration that you and your friend have had, but I hope that they are being responsive to you and your letters.

There's also testimony from GCC, pretty much similar. They're saying the bill balances expanding workforce participation and economic opportunity while preserving standards designed to protect motorists, passengers, pedestrians, and the broader community. By maintaining competency-based testing requirements and limiting eligibility to adults 21 years of age and older with demonstrated records of responsible behavior, the measure attempts to provide an alternate pathway that acknowledges the realities facing many adult learners and workers. And they pretty much encourage it because they're trying to create pathways for employment for so many of us on Guam. So, I really do appreciate all the testimony. Thank you, Judge, for jumping in there. Oh, you have another comment?



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ELIZABETH BARRET-ANDERSON, FORMER JUDGE: Yes, I was really grateful that Maria spoke about persons who don't have English as their first language. There is an Executive Order, I think it may have been from the prior Administration or maybe the current one. I, my time is different. It's called the Commission on Limited English Proficiency, and it's an Executive Order to all government of Guam line agencies that in the programs that they operate, they must provide in their services, accommodations for persons of limited English proficiency, LEP. In fact, the Superior Court of Guam, in the development of the DWI Court recognized that a great majority of the defendants that came into that treatment court were non-English-speaking defendants. And as a result, the Judiciary created the Certified Registry Program for Interpreters. I think it's called the Interpreter Program, and it continues to be operating today. So, defendants, when they come into court, they have an interpreter in their language so that they understand the criminal system. I would encourage the Department of Revenue and Taxation to look up that Executive Order, I don't have the number, and, to use that Executive Order to assist the agency with its regulations and its accommodations to persons of limited English proficiency.

SENATOR THERESE M. TERLAJE, VICE CHAIRPERSON: *Si Yu'os ma'ase'* and thank you for, I think, implementing that program while you were there. And, I've heard it's very, very helpful and useful. And so I'll leave that again to the DMV. Yes, Ms. Pangelinan.

ZITA PANGELINAN, ACTING ADMINISTRATOR, DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES (DMV), DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE & TAXATION (DRT): And I'd like to also comment on, Maria's testimony if I could, because she did come to the agency requesting for data, and unfortunately, I didn't get that data. We're still compiling it because, thanks to the help of driver's education, what we're now looking at is really I think the recommendations of revamping our entire driver education and testing program. It is something that we really would value theirs and everyone's input. And then going back to analyze all the data of all persons taking the test, the failure rates, but also the reason. So, I just started this job three months ago, but this is the intent. We are actually on target to develop and call in the driver's education groups to come and review our program and get input and address all these challenges. So, just so you know, we are on that path to strengthen and also allow for those changes.

SENATOR THERESE M. TERLAJE, VICE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. That's good news. I was surprised to hear testimony about the testing standards. So again, that's within your purview. We'll leave that to you to revamp as necessary. But again, thank you all and I definitely agree with Rev and Tax that if you need time to implement this, that should be given. And, I very much appreciate everybody's testimony agreeing that this will help us to get people to their jobs without additional delay, and that's very necessary right now. So *si Yu'os ma'ase'* again, Madam Chair. Thank you all very much.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: You're very welcome, Senator Terlaje. Senator Gumataotao, you're recognized.

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: Thank you so much, Madam Chair, and thank you for the panel for being with us this morning. I'll just jump right in. Recognizing that 16 GCA, Section 31A04 allows a permit holder's spouse to accompany their permit holder while driving and acknowledging, I can't imagine DRT would allow an unlicensed spouse to accompany a learner's permit holder. Is there any evidence to suggest that this section of the law allowed unlicensed individuals to operate a motor vehicle on our roadways at any point following the 1999 policy that went into effect? Don't all jump in the pool at once

COLLEEN SMITH, OWNER, BETTER DRIVERS DRIVING SCHOOL: Are you saying that in the law where it says the spouse is allowed to accompany the permit holder? I always thought that it implied that a spouse had a license in order to do that. I think that's kind of implied there.

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: Anybody else? Anyone? DMV?

ZITA PANGELINAN, ACTING ADMINISTRATOR, DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES (DMV), DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE & TAXATION (DRT): Senator, again, I have to go back and review because we are really screening and also looking at inconsistencies in the law, and we are planning to come back to request for some amendments. So, as a matter of fact, I was with legal counsel last night, and we were looking at those inconsistencies. So, we will be coming before the legislature to look at those, to strengthen the laws.

SENATOR SHAWN GUMATAOTAO: All right. Thank you for that. And, I hope, I mean, I'm looking forward to the markup process, that whatever the recommendations that you're offering up can be sent back to the committee. That was my only question, Madam Chair. Thank you so much.

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: Thank you so much, Senator Gumataotao. As the Oversight Chair, relating to this bill, I'm going to assure you that I will look at data and information because that's very important as we move forward. But, you know, it's kind of hard to gauge our roads compared to California, or even Hawaii. You know, they have highways there, and we have a different dynamic here when it comes to roads. But safety of course is completely needed moving forward. Guam Highway, I'm surprised they didn't come and provide some data and information. But I will reach out to them again to ensure we get some information from them as well. As to the eight months requirement, I thought that was a good inclusion, an amendment to put in there before the bill becomes law, to allow that eight-month period to prepare. We also don't want to encourage people to wait until they're 21 to get a license either, you know. That's something else that we will look into. I really don't have any other questions. It was a great testimony today, and a lot of information to consider. So, I will allow the sponsor of the legislation to close at this time.

SENATOR THERESE M. TERLAJE, VICE CHAIRPERSON: Just to say thank you again. Thank you. Your input, very, very helpful, and we'll fix the bill to reflect that. *Si Yu'os ma'åse'.*

SENATOR TELO T. TAITAGUE, CHAIRPERSON: Okay. And thank you so much as well. So, in closing, if there are no further questions or comments, this bill concludes. I'm sorry, not this bill, this concludes the discussion on Bill 281-38. You're excused. Thank you so much.



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III. **FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Committee finds that Bill No. 281-38 (COR) establishes an Adult Direct Licensing Pathway for applicants twenty-one (21) years of age or older, allowing qualified adults to obtain a Guam driver's license without completing the Graduated Driver's License requirements applicable to younger drivers. The bill retains required competency examinations while providing a more direct licensing process for eligible adult applicants.

Testimony generally supported providing adults with a more practical pathway to licensure while raising concerns regarding driving-history verification, serious motor-vehicle offenses, first-time driver safety, implementation, and accessibility of the written examination. DMV supported the bill's objective while emphasizing that competency and public safety should remain the standard for licensure.

Following the public hearing, the sponsor worked with the Committee and DMV/DRT to address these concerns. The amended bill incorporates the following:

- **Driving history and disqualifying offenses:** In response to former Judge Elizabeth Barrett-Anderson, the bill expands the three-year eligibility review beyond traffic offenses to include criminal offenses arising from the operation of a motor vehicle. This addresses concerns that serious offenses such as impaired driving or vehicular crimes could otherwise fall outside the bill's eligibility standard.
- **Driving-record verification and accountability:** In response to Acting DMV Administrator Zita Pangelinan, the Guam traffic-clearance requirement is replaced with a sworn affidavit identifying prior licensing jurisdictions and authorizing DRT to verify available records. The amended bill further allows denial or revocation for a material misrepresentation and gives DRT up to thirty (30) days, when reasonably necessary, to verify an out-of-jurisdiction record. An applicant may not be denied solely because an external record is unavailable. These changes strengthen verification while avoiding delays outside an applicant's control. DMV specifically identified out-of-jurisdiction history as a gap in the original bill.
- **First-time adult driver safety:** Barrett-Anderson and Colleen and Leslie Smith raised concerns that an adult who has never been licensed remains a novice driver regardless of age. The amended bill therefore requires true first-time drivers to complete a DRT-approved safety orientation and assessment before the road test, with the orientation provided at no additional charge. It also authorizes DRT to require remedial instruction after an applicant fails either the written or road examination three times. These

safeguards provide targeted education where needed without imposing the full GDL requirements on all adult applicants. The testimony specifically supported retaining some form of safety education for first-time adult drivers.

- GDL exemption and implementation: The bill clarifies that qualifying adults are exempt from GDL learner's-permit and supervised-driving requirements and establishes May 1, 2027 as the effective date. This responds to DMV's request for approximately eight months to develop forms and procedures, establish verification processes, train staff, and prepare for implementation.

The Committee also considered recommendations that were not incorporated into Bill No. 281-38:

- Fifty supervised driving hours. DMV subsequently recommended forty (40) daytime and ten (10) nighttime supervised hours for true first-time drivers. The Committee did not adopt this requirement because it would substantially restore the supervised-driving requirement the bill is intended to remove for adults. Instead, the Committee adopted the safety orientation, assessment, competency testing, and remedial-instruction provisions as more targeted safeguards.
- Language and testing accommodations. Maria Espinosa recommended changes to better accommodate applicants with limited English proficiency. The Committee did not prescribe a particular testing format because DRT can address testing methods and language accommodations administratively. DMV also testified that it is reviewing test failure rates and the broader driver-education and testing program with providers.
- Broader DMV modernization and funding. DMV subsequently identified broader needs involving staffing, automated testing, expanded test banks, technology, training, and a proposed Motor Vehicle Data Modernization Fund. The Committee did not incorporate these proposals because they extend beyond implementation of the Adult Direct Licensing Pathway and affect DMV operations more broadly. The Committee finds these issues warrant separate review rather than expanding the scope of Bill No. 281-38.

The Committee finds that the amendments strike a reasonable balance between access and public safety. The amended bill removes GDL requirements that may create barriers for adult applicants while strengthening driving-history verification, adding safeguards for true first-time drivers and repeated test failures, and preserving the competency examinations required for licensure.

The Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement hereby reports out Bill No. 281-38 (COR), *As Amended-Introduced by Senator Therese M. Terlaje - AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 3101.5 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING GUAM'S WORKFORCE THROUGH A DIRECT DRIVER'S LICENSE PATHWAY FOR ADULTS.* with the recommendation TO REPORT OUT ONLY.

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I Liheslaturan Guåhan further finds that imposing youth-focused driver education and supervised driving-hour requirements on adults aged twenty-one (21) and older may create unnecessary financial and practical barriers. The cost of mandatory driver education courses and related fees may be burdensome for working adults, particularly those supporting families. In addition, supervised driving-hour requirements may require adults to take time off from work, arrange

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18 crash risk identified among drivers under that age threshold.

19 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that this Act would not repeal, weaken,
20 or diminish the graduated driver licensing framework, but instead establishes a
21 limited exemption for adults twenty-one (21) years of age and older who have
22 demonstrated responsible behavior by maintaining a clean traffic record for at least
23 three years and who remain subject to all existing written, vision, and on-road skills
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25 It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to provide a streamlined,
26 safe, and efficient pathway for eligible adults to obtain a driver’s license while
27 preserving all existing testing standards that ensure competency and public safety.

Section 2. A new § 3101.5 is hereby added to Article 1, Chapter 3, Title 16, Guam Code Annotated to read:

“§ 3101.5 Adult Direct Licensing Pathway.

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(1) Submission to DRT of an original traffic clearance letter issued by the Superior Court of Guam, dated not more than thirty (30) days prior to the application, certifying that the applicant has no convictions for any traffic offense within the three (3) years immediately preceding the application;

(2) Submission of an application for a license under the direct licensing pathway to the Department of Revenue and Taxation in conformance with applicable provisions of § 3101 (f).

(3) Successful completion of the vision, hearing, written knowledge examination, and on-road skills test as required by § 3101 (h) and the payment of applicable fees as enumerated in §3102.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter, applicants for a driver’s license who are twenty-one (21) years of age or older who qualify under this Section shall be exempt from all driver education requirements, supervised driving-hour requirements, and learner’s permit requirements, including all graduated licensing provisions.

Section 3. Severability.

If any of the provisions of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance are held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision or

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22 eligibility and safety requirements established by this Act. Eligible applicants must
23 have no disqualifying traffic or motor-vehicle-related criminal convictions within
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25 written knowledge, and on-road skills testing requirements necessary to demonstrate
26 competency and protect public safety. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that age
27 alone does not establish driving competency and that adults who have never

1 previously held a driver's license may require additional preparation before
2 licensure. Accordingly, this Act provides additional safeguards for true first-time
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12 drivers and that the applicability of such youth-focused requirements to adults has
13 not been conclusively established.

14 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that research indicates “older novice drivers, 18
15 to 20 years old, have increased crash rates immediately after licensure” (Curry,
16 Metzger, et al., 2017). Accordingly, this Act limits the proposed direct-licensing
17 pathway to individuals aged twenty-one (21) and older, recognizing the heightened
18 crash risk identified among drivers under that age threshold.

19 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that this Act would not repeal, weaken,
20 or diminish the graduated driver licensing framework, but instead establishes a
21 limited exemption for adults twenty-one (21) years of age and older who satisfy the
22 eligibility and safety requirements established by this Act. Eligible applicants must
23 have no disqualifying traffic or motor-vehicle-related criminal convictions within
24 the preceding three (3) years and remain subject to all existing vision, hearing,
25 written knowledge, and on-road skills testing requirements necessary to demonstrate
26 competency and protect public safety. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that age
27 alone does not establish driving competency and that adults who have never

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1 previously held a driver's license may require additional preparation before
2 licensure. Accordingly, this Act provides additional safeguards for true first-time
3 drivers through a Department-approved driver safety orientation and assessment,
4 while allowing remedial instruction for applicants who repeatedly fail required
5 competency examinations. These safeguards are intended to promote public safety
6 without imposing the full Graduated Driver's License requirements on otherwise
7 eligible adult applicants.

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8 It is therefore the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to provide a streamlined,
9 safe, and accessible pathway for eligible adults to obtain a driver's license by
10 removing youth-focused requirements that may create unnecessary barriers, while
11 preserving competency-based testing and establishing reasonable safeguards for
12 eligibility verification and true first-time drivers.

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13 **Section 2.** A new § 3101.5 is hereby added to Article 1, Chapter 3, Title 16,
14 Guam Code Annotated to read:

15 **“§ 3101.5 Adult Direct Licensing Pathway.**

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16 (a) Any person who is twenty-one (21) years or older and who has not
17 been convicted of any traffic offense or criminal offense arising out of the
18 operation of a motor vehicle in Guam or in any state, territory, or jurisdiction
19 of the United States or any other country within the three (3) years
20 immediately preceding the date of application shall be eligible for the direct-
21 licensing pathway and be issued a driver's license upon:

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22 (1) Execution of an affidavit provided by the Department of
23 Revenue and Taxation, under penalty of perjury (pursuant to 6 GCA
24 §4308), attesting that the applicant has not been convicted of any traffic
25 offense or criminal offense arising out of the operation of a motor
26 vehicle in Guam or in any state, territory, or jurisdiction of the United
27 States, or any other country, within the three (3) years immediately

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preceding the date of application, and if applicable, identifying each jurisdiction in which the applicant has held a driver's license during such three (3) year period and authorizing the Department of Revenue and Taxation to verify available driving records from each such jurisdiction. A material misrepresentation made in an affidavit required by this Paragraph shall constitute grounds for denial or revocation of a driver's license issued pursuant to this Section. The Department may delay issuance of a license for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days when reasonably necessary to verify an applicant's driving record from another jurisdiction. The unavailability of an external driving record shall not, by itself, constitute grounds for denial of an otherwise eligible applicant;

(2) Submission of an application for a license under the direct licensing pathway to the Department of Revenue and Taxation in conformance with applicable provisions of § 3101 (f);

(3) If the applicant has never previously held a driver's license in Guam or any other jurisdiction, completion of a driver safety orientation approved by the Department of Revenue and Taxation, addressing basic traffic laws and safe driving practices, including an assessment of the applicant's understanding of such instruction, prior to taking the on-road skills test. The safety orientation required by this Paragraph shall be made available by the Department at no additional charge to the applicant;

(4) Successful completion of the vision, hearing, written knowledge examination, and on-road skills test as required by § 3101 (h) and the payment of applicable fees as enumerated in §3102; and,

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(5) An applicant who fails the written knowledge examination or on-road skills test three (3) times may be required by the Department of Revenue and Taxation to complete remedial instruction appropriate to the examination failed prior to any subsequent attempt.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter, and except as required by §3101.5, applicants for a driver's license who are twenty-one (21) years of age or older who qualify under this Section shall be exempt from all Graduated Driver's License requirements pursuant to Article 1A, Chapter 3 of Title 16 GCA including supervised driving-hour requirements, and learner's permit requirements.

Section 3. Severability. If any of the provisions of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance are held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this Act, which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Act shall be effective on May 1, 2027.

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COMMITTEE ON RULES

Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada, Chairperson
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38th Guam Legislature

March 11, 2026

To: **Rennae V. C. Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

From: **Vice Speaker V. Anthony Ada** 
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Subject: **Fiscal Note for Bill No. 281-38 (COR)**

Håfa Adai!

Find the attached, Fiscal Note for the following bill:

Bill No. 281-38 (COR).

I also request that the same be sent to the respective Chairperson of the Standing Committee, to which this bill has been referred. Kindly copy the same to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.



Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Fiscal Note of Bill No. 281-38 (COR)

AN ACT TO ADD A NEW § 3101.5 TO ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED RELATIVE TO EXPANDING GUAM'S WORKFORCE THROUGH A DIRECT DRIVER'S LICENSE PATHWAY FOR ADULTS.

Department/Agency Appropriation Information

Dept./Agency Affected: Department of Revenue and Taxation (DRT)	Dept./Agency Head: Lizama, Marie P., Director
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:	\$14,713,861
Department's Other Fund appropriation(s) to date: Banking and Insurance Enforcement Fund (\$447,761); Better Public Service Fund (\$1,402,033); Tax Collection Enhancement Fund (\$1,171,834)	\$3,021,628
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:	\$17,735,489

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation

	General Fund:	Special Fund:	Total:
FY 2025 Unreserved Fund Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2026 Adopted Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2026 Appro. (P.L. 38-60)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sub-total:	\$0	\$0	\$0
Less appropriation in Bill	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total:	\$0	\$0	\$0

Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill

	One Full Fiscal Year	For Remainder of FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	1/	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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

Analyst: <u>Raymond Rieta, BMA IV</u>	Date: <u>3/10/26</u>	Director: <u>Lester L. Carlson, Jr., Director</u>	Date: <u>MAR 11 2026</u>
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Notes:
 1/ See attached Comments.

Bureau of Budget & Management Research
Comments on Bill No. 281-38 (COR)

The intent of Bill No. 281-38 is to provide a streamlined, safe, and efficient pathway for eligible adults to obtain a driver's license while preserving all existing testing standards that ensure competency and public safety. The Bill proposes to achieve this by establishing a limited exemption for adults twenty-one (21) years of age and older who have demonstrated responsible behavior by maintaining a clean traffic record for at least three years and who remain subject to all existing written, vision, and on-road skills testing requirements necessary to ensure public safety. Should an eligible adult meet the requirements of this "Adult Direct Licensing Pathway" as proposed in the Bill, the applicant may obtain a valid driver's license without having to complete the current mandatory driver education courses as well as the supervised driving-hour requirements.

The following are direct comments received from the Department of Revenue and Taxation (DRT) on how Bill No. 281-38 will fiscally impact their department.

DRT lists the negative fiscal and operational impacts of the Bill to the departments as follows:

- 1) Increased administrative processing volume from a condensed surge in direct-to-road test applications with possible extended wait times for appointments and requiring additional manpower and staff hours;
- 2) Verification and compliance costs relative to verification of traffic clearances which will necessitate creating an SOP for manual verification, and/or procuring a system to link with the Judiciary of Guam's Records branch;
- 3) Existing systems upgrade to accommodate the addition of "Adult Direct Licensing" category updating internal database for tracking exemptions and identification of eligible applicants;
- 4) Testing resource strain caused from bypassing the Learner's Permit/Graduated Permit periods with expected higher volume of applicants attempting on-road skills test without formal driver education/supervised practice with the potential for higher failure rates for initial road tests necessitating re-testing; and
- 5) Potential revenue neutrality concerns; specifically, to language within subject bill: "payment of applicable fees", eliminating fees associated with the issuance of Learner's/Graduated Permits for the specific demographic.

DRT estimates a 2% Year-over-Year (YoY) growth rate for FY26 fiscal impacts to the General Fund and the Better Public Service Fund (BPSF) using provided FY24 and FY25 DRT internal reports.

As per DRT, they advise that without a detailed cost-benefit analysis, the government cannot surmise how the proposed legislation will impact current and future fund levels especially for personnel and/or IT upgrades necessary to support the proposed legislation and without incurring further degradation or strain to existing DRT service and infrastructure levels.