

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
BILL STATUS

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	FISCAL NOTES	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
260-38 (COR) As amended by the Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement, and further amended on the Floor.	Vincent A. V. Borja Shelly V. Calvo Tina Rose Muña-Barnes Jesse A. Lujan Sabrina Salas Matanane Telo T. Taitague Chris Barnett Frank F. Blas, Jr. Eulogio Shawn Gumataotao William A. Parkinson Sabina Flores Perez Therese M. Terlaje	AN ACT TO <i>AMEND</i> § 7120.3(b) OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ALLOWING CHILDREN TO RECEIVE SPECIAL GOLD STAR LICENSE PLATE.	1/23/26 3:52 p.m.	2/3/26	Committee on Economic Investment, Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology, Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement.	Request: 2/3/26 2/11/26	4/29/26 2:00 p.m.	5/6/26 As Amended.	
	SESSION DATE	TITLE	DATE PASSED	TRANSMITTED	DUE DATE	PUBLIC LAW NO.	DATE SIGNED	NOTES	
	8/17/26	AN ACT TO <i>AMEND</i> § 7120.3(b) OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING ELIGIBILITY FOR SPECIAL GOLD STAR LICENSE PLATES TO INCLUDE SIBLINGS AND CHILDREN OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.	8/19/26	8/20/26	9/1/26	38-140	9/1/26	Received: 9/1/26 Mess and Comm. Doc. No. 38GL-26-2828	

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THE HON. FRANK BLAS, JR., Speaker
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38th Guam Legislature
Guam Congress Building
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Re: Bill No. 260-38 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND § 7120.3(b) OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING ELIGIBILITY FOR SPECIAL GOLD STAR LICENSE PLATES TO INCLUDE SIBLINGS AND CHILDREN OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES."

Hafa Adai Mr. Speaker,

Bill No. 260-38 (COR) expands the list of family members of a fallen service member who may now apply for a Gold Star License Plate. The committee heard heartfelt testimony from brothers and sisters of fallen service members who reminded the committee that the loss of a family member in defense of our country is felt by every member of that family. It is only appropriate that we recognize the sacrifice of our service members by allowing their family members to honor them by displaying a Gold Star License plate in their honor.

For these reasons, I sign Bill No. 260-38 (COR) into law as **Public Law No. 38-140**.

Senseramente,

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Ākto Maga'lāhen Guåhan
Acting Governor of Guam



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Enclosure(s): Bill No. 260-38 (COR) nka P.L. 38-140

cc via email: *Honorable* Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *Maga'hāgan Guåhan*, Governor of Guam
Compiler of Laws

I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN

This is to certify that **Bill No. 260-38 (COR), "AN ACT TO AMEND § 7120.3(b) OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING ELIGIBILITY FOR SPECIAL GOLD STAR LICENSE PLATES TO INCLUDE SIBLINGS AND CHILDREN OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES,"** was on the 19th day of August 2026, duly and regularly passed.



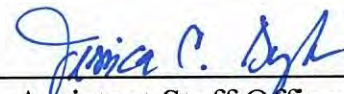
Frank F. Blas, Jr.
Speaker

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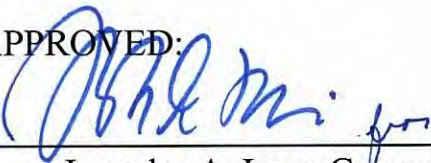
Sabrina Salas Matanane
Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 20th day of August, 2026, at 1:00 o'clock P.M.



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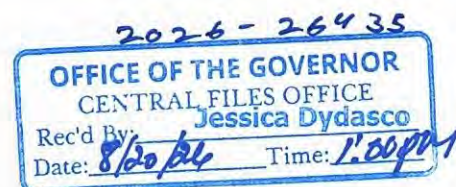
APPROVED:



Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
I Maga'hågan Guåhan

Date: 9/1/2026

Public Law No. 38-140



I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2026 (SECOND) Regular Session

Bill No. 260-38 (COR)

As amended by the Committee on Economic Investment,
Military Buildup, Regional Relations, Technology,
Regulatory Affairs, Justice, Elections, and Retirement;
and further amended on the Floor.

Introduced by:

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AN ACT TO *AMEND* § 7120.3(b) OF CHAPTER 7, TITLE 16, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EXPANDING ELIGIBILITY FOR SPECIAL GOLD STAR LICENSE PLATES TO INCLUDE SIBLINGS AND CHILDREN OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that members of the United States Armed Forces make the ultimate sacrifice in service

1 to our nation and community. The loss of a loved one who served in the Armed
2 Forces has a profound and lasting impact on their immediate family, including their
3 children and siblings, who experience the deep grief, sacrifice, and a lifelong sense
4 of loss.

5 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that children and siblings of fallen service
6 members deserve meaningful recognition of their loved one's service and sacrifice
7 and should be afforded the opportunity to honor their memory. This Act expands
8 eligibility for Gold Star License Plates to include children and siblings of fallen
9 service members, acknowledging that the loss endured by child or sibling carries a
10 lifelong impact deserving of recognition.

11 **Section 2.** § 7120.3(b) of Chapter 7, Title 16, Guam Code Annotated, is
12 hereby *amended* to read as follows:

13 “(b) Eligibility for Issuance. Gold Star License Plates shall only be
14 issued to parents, inclusive of mother, father, stepmother, stepfather, mother
15 through adoption, father through adoption, and foster parents who stood in
16 loco parentis, siblings, inclusive of half-siblings and step-siblings, widows
17 and widowers, and children, inclusive of biological, adopted, and step-
18 children, of members of the armed services:

19 (1) who lost their lives during World War I, World War II, or
20 during any subsequent period of armed hostilities in which the United
21 States was engaged before July 1, 1958;

22 (2) who lost their lives after June 30, 1958:

23 (A) while engaged in an action against an enemy of the
24 United States;

25 (B) while engaged in military operations involving
26 conflict with an opposing foreign force; or

1 (C) while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged
2 in an armed conflict in which the United States is not a
3 belligerent party against an opposing armed force; or

4 (3) who lost their lives after March 28, 1973, as a result of:

5 (A) an international terrorist attack against the United
6 States or a foreign nation friendly to the United States,
7 recognized as such an attack by the Secretary of Defense; or

8 (B) military operations while serving outside the United
9 States (including the commonwealths, territories, and
10 possessions of the United States) as part of a peacekeeping
11 force.”

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

17 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Act shall become effective upon enactment.