



**House Standing Committee on
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MEMORANDUM

Date: March 30, 2026
To: JGO Committee Members
Speaker Edmund S. Villagomez
From: Chairman Joel C. Camacho _____
Subject: Judiciary and Governmental Operations Committee Meeting



This is to inform members of the House Standing Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations that a Committee Meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, April 2, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in the House Chamber**. Please see attached.

Thank you.



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Date: Thursday, April 2, 2026

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: House Chamber

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **SB 24-13, SD1:** “To enact a whistleblower protection provision for Commonwealth government and autonomous agency employees reporting on prohibited personnel practices; to provide whistleblower rewards for individuals who report underpayment of taxes; to clarify the mechanism for the payment of rewards for disclosures leading to the recovery of public funds; and for other purposes.”
- b. **SB 24-21:** “To amend 9 CMC § 2103 to require execution of a Notice of Transfer and Release of Liability by the appropriate parties upon the ownership transfer of a vehicle.”
- c. **HB 24-28:** “To establish a grand jury system in the Commonwealth for use in criminal investigations and prosecutions, and to provide for related powers and procedures.”
- d. **HB 24-52:** “An act to strengthen current domestic and family violence laws to ensure the protections of women and children and to recognize and penalize digital and electronic harassment as acts of domestic and family violence; and for other such purposes.”
- e. **HB 24-55:** “To amend the penalties for illegally parking in spaces designated for persons with disabilities by strengthening and enforcing clear penalties for violation and repeat offenses and by ensuring accessible parking for persons with disabilities; and for other such purposes.”
- f. **HB 24-61:** To enact a new Chapter 5 to Title 1, Division 8, Part 1 of the Commonwealth Code to establish dedicated funding and a special account for the Civil Service Commission; to provide a pro rata collection, certification, and transfer mechanism of funds; to authorize a continuing appropriation and expenditure authority; and to require reporting and legislative oversight.

- g. **HB 24-66:** “To regulate advisory and consulting engagements with the Commonwealth by requiring compliance with procurement laws, Attorney General approval, and Public Auditor oversight; to impose a \$50,000.00 cap per engagement; to establish priority qualifications; to void non-compliant contracts; to provide remedies and penalties for violations; and to sunset this Act after five years.
- h. **HB 24-67:** “To promote government transparency, accountability, and digital accessibility by requiring standardized reporting of financial and grant information by all CNMI government entities, instrumentalities, and nonprofit recipients of public funds, in compliance with the Constitution, the Covenant, and applicable laws of the Commonwealth; and for other purposes.
- i. **HB 24-78:** “To amend Title 4. Economic Resources, Division 6. Banking and Financial Institutions of the Commonwealth Code, to give the Banking Director authority to regulate digital asset businesses; and for other purposes.”

V. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **HB 24-69:** “To amend Title 70, Subchapter 70-30.3 of the Northern Mariana Islands Administrative Code by adding a new section to authorize Indefinite-Delivery, Indefinite-Quantity Contracts; and for other purposes.”
- b. **HB 24-83:** “Requiring Disclosure of 501(c)(3) Status for Government Funding.
- c. **HB 24-85:** “To amend 3 CMC § 1205, relating to the Chamorro and Carolinian Language Policy Commission's authority to assess fees for translation services; to establish a revolving fund; and for other purposes.”
- d. **HB 24-94:** “To amend the punishment for the crime of vandalism to include the option of confinement.”
- e. **HB 24-99:** “To amend Title 6, Division 1, §1609, Theft of Utility Services, to provide a permissive inference of intent under specified circumstances while preserving due process protections; and for other purposes.”
- f. **SB 24-24:** “To authorize the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands join the CNMI-Guam Interjurisdictional Corrections Compact to improve and expand inmate rehabilitation and training; and for other purposes.”
- g. **SB 24-38:** “To rename the DPS Boating Safety Building to the “Jose Camacho Sablan Boating Safety Station” in recognition of his contributions and dedication to ensuring the safety of the public in the surrounding waters of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.”

VI. MISCELLANEOUS

VII. ADJOURNMENT