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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE II Section 2 OF THE
CONSTITUTION OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS.

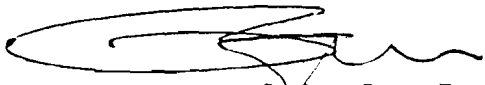
Section 2 (c) NO PERSON SHALL BE SENATOR WHO SHALL NOT HAVE ATTAINED TO THE AGE OF THIRTY YEARS, AND BEEN TEN YEARS RESIDENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS; A CITIZEN OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS OR OF THE UNITED STATES, OF A SOUND MIND AND OF A PERSON OF A PERSON OF NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS DECENT. NO PERSON CONVICTED OF FELONY MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS OFFICE UNLESS A FULL PARDON HAS BEEN GRANTED.

(d) PRESIDENT OF SENATE SHALL HAVE NO VOTE, BUT MAY VOTE ONLY IN CASE OF A TIE.

(e) THE SENATE SHALL HAVE THE SOLE POWER TO CONVICT ALL IMPEACHMENTS. WHEN SITTING FOR THE PURPOSE, THEY SHALL BE ON OATH OR AFFIRMATION. WHEN THE GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS IS TRIED, THE CHIEF JUSTICE SHALL PRESIDE; AND NO PERSON SHALL BE CONVICTED WITHOUT THE CONCURRENCE OF TWO-THIRDS OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT.

(f) IF AN IMPEACHED PUBLIC OFFICIAL IS FOUND GUILTY HE IS REMOVED FROM OFFICE AND NOT PERMITTED TO HOLD ANY GOVERNMENTAL OFFICE. IF HE HAS BROKEN ANY LAWS, HE MAYBE TRIED FOR THESE IN A COURT, JUST AS ANY OTHER PERSON.

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