

## Third Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention

## **Delegate Amendment No. 43**

Date: July 31, 1995

ARTICLE AND SECTION TO BE AMENDED: Article 12, Section 6

COMMITTEE ASSIGNED: Committee on Land and Personal Rights

It is proposed that the article passed on first reading be amended as follows:

Article XII: Restrictions on Alienation of Land

Section 6: Enforcement

Any transaction made in violation of Section 1 shall be voidable. If a corporation is divested of land for violation of Section 1, the land shall be forfeited to the government. The attorney general shall establish an office to assist landowners, to monitor land transfers, and to assist in enforcing this article. Any action challenging a transaction shall be filed within <u>15 years</u> of the transaction.

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Notes: This amendment reinstates the void ab initio standard that was present in the article passed on first reading, but which has been deleted by the Committee. This amendment also increases the statute of limitations from the 6 years presented by the Committee to 15 years.