

Third Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention

Delegate Amendment No. 44

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 <u>last qualified land owner</u>. 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 six years of the transaction.

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Notes: This amendment revises the provision with respect to corporations that was passed on first reading. It would put the land back to the last qualified owner rather than allowing the land to go to the government.