



# Third Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention

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Delegate Proposal No. 69

Date: May 2, 1995

It is proposed that a constitutional amendment be prepared that does the following:

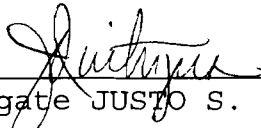
Changes the provision with respect to heads of executive branch departments to provide that they serve at the pleasure of the Governor, and that their terms of office expire at the end of the term for which the Governor was elected. This would also apply to boards and commissions appointed by the Governor.

Provides that a candidate for head of an executive branch department who has been rejected by the senate may not thereafter serve as head of the department on an interim basis. This would also apply to boards and commissions appointed by the Governor.

Requires that every head of an executive branch department be a U.S. citizen.

Requires that every head of an executive branch department be a resident of the CNMI for five years prior to appointment.

Requires that the Governor act to fill vacancies within 60 days.

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CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLES THAT WOULD BE AMENDED: Art. III, Sec. 16

CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLES THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED: None