



# Third Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention -203-

Delegate Proposal No. 120

Date: May 15, 1995

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

Provides that the Governor is limited to sanctioning or suspending a judge. This deletes the power of the Governor, now in the Constitution, to remove a judge. The only way to remove a judge would be through impeachment by the legislature.

Provides that the Governor may sanction or suspend a judge for illegal or unethical conduct. This is more limited than the current provision for illegal or improper conduct.

Provides that the Governor may sanction or suspend a judge only with the concurrence of the presiding officer of the Senate. This is more limited than the Governor's current power to act alone.

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(proposed by the Supreme Court as a legislative initiative, and submitted as a courtesy to put this proposal before the delegates)

CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLE THAT WOULD BE AMENDED: Art. IV, Sec. 7

CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLES THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED: None