



Third Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention -210-

Delegate Proposal No. 127

Date: May 15, 1994

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

Provides that the annual budget for the judicial branch shall be as provided by law.

Provides that the Chief Justice shall submit to the Legislature, at least 90 days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year, a plan of operations detailing the proposed expenditures of the judiciary.

Provides that the budget shall become effective 60 days after submission unless modified or disapproved by both houses of the Legislature, and those modifications or that disapproval is signed by the Governor.

Provides that any remaining balance left unobligated at the end of the fiscal year shall revert to the Commonwealth general fund.

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(proposed by the Legislature as a legislative initiative, which differs from the Court's proposal, and submitted as a courtesy to put this proposal before the delegates)

CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLE THAT WOULD BE AMENDED: Art. IV, adds a new section.

CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLES THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED: None