

TITLE 10: LOCAL LAWS
DIVISION 3: THIRD SENATORIAL DISTRICT (SAIPAN, ETC.)

§ 3701. Title.

This article may be cited as the Saipan and Northern Islands Dog Control Act.

Source: Saipan LL 9-12, § 1.

Commission Comment: Saipan LL 9-12 took effect October 19, 1995. According to Saipan LL 9-12, §§ 2-4:

Section 2. Findings. The Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation finds that stray dogs pose a serious health problem to the people of the Island of Saipan in that stray dogs have wandered onto public roads creating a hazard to the safety of drivers as well as to the well being of the dogs. The Delegation further finds that stray dogs frequently suffer from malnutrition and ill health and that stray dogs have also created a safety hazard to pedestrians by chasing or attacking said pedestrians. The Delegation further finds that dogs in the Northern Islands should be monitored and controlled so as not to damage the eco-system of the islands and to prevent and/or minimize the population of stray and feral dogs. Finally, the Delegation finds that some of the islands north of Saipan are inhabited by threatened and endangered species, whose existence and habitat feral dogs can aggravate and destroy.

Section 3. Purpose. The purpose of this Act is to authorize the Mayors of the Municipalities of Saipan and the Northern Islands to enact rules and regulations for the regulation, licensing, control and disposal of dogs on the Northern Islands and the Island of Saipan. It is the further purpose of this Act to generate and appropriate revenue for the purpose of implementing this Act.

Section 4. Authority. This Act is adopted pursuant to the Local Law Act of 1983, [1 CMC § 1401 et seq.], and more specifically, pursuant to [1 CMC § 1402(a)(13)].