TITLE 3: HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION 5: PUBLIC SAFETY

§ 5801. Public Safety Enhancement Act of 2005.

Activities enhancing and improving services to the residente of the CNMI shall be identified according to the following criteria:

- (a) Non-essential services provided by the Department of Public Safety that are currently performed free of charge.
- (b) Law enforcement activities wherein the services of the Department of Public Safety is abused.
- (c) Services provided by the Department of Public Safety to private companies and organizations to effectuate the private companies' and organizations' objectives.
- (d) Other activities as deemed necessary and appropriate, which currently hamper the effective operations of the Department of Public Safety.

Source: PL 14-77, § 3.

Commission Comment: PL 14-77 was enacted on July 8, 2005 and contained a short title, findings, severability, and savings provisions. PL 14-77 stated:

Section 1. <u>Short Title</u>. This Act may be cited as the "Public Safety Enhancement Act of 2005."

Section 2. <u>Findings</u>. The Legislature finds that the Department of Public Safety currently provides services that are either outside the scope of their duties, non-essential, or an abuse of public safety services by the public. Such activities diverts public safety officers time and expertise in order to accommodate these situations, which takes away from essential services such as responding to emergencies, patrolling the streets of the CNMI, and investigating pending crimes. Therefore, it is the intent of this Act to set a fee schedule for activities that hinder or prevent the Department of Public Safety from performing their core duties.