

**TENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE**

*PUBLIC LAW NO. 10-89*

**H.B. NO. 10-467**

**FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 1997**

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**AN ACT**

To repeal Section 2400.3 (p) and (q) of the "Rules and Regulations for the Operation of Pachinko Slot Machines in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands;" and for other purposes.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE TENTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:**

Section 1. Repealer. Section 2400.3 (p) and (q) of the "Rules and Regulations for the Operation of Pachinko Slot Machines in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands" promulgated by the Department of Finance and published on July 15, 1995 in Volume 17, Number 07 of the Commonwealth Register are hereby repealed. The Secretary of Finance shall publish no rules and/or regulations with respect to the definition of "pachinko" or "pachinko slot machine" which differs from or exceeds the definition provided therefor in section 3 of Public Law 9-29.

Section 2. Severability. If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act or the application of its provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3. Savings Clause. This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of this Act shall not have the effect of terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal, which shall already be in existence at the date this Act becomes effective.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**CERTIFIED BY:**

**ATTESTED BY:**

/s/ Diego T. Benavente

**DIEGO T. BENAVENTE**

Speaker

House of Representatives

/s/ Evelyn C. Fleming

**EVELYN C. FLEMING**

House Clerk

Approved this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1998

/s/ Jesus R. Sablan

**PEDRO P. TENORIO**

Acting Governor

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands