

TITLE 4: ECONOMIC RESOURCES
DIVISION 2: TOURISM

§ 2159. Municipalities of Tinian, Rota, and Saipan.

(a) Provided that not less than two percent for each municipality, but not less than \$300,000 each, whichever is greater, of the funds per fiscal year from the MVA Trust Fund, shall be remitted to the Municipalities of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota to be used to implement charter flight tourism incentives, promotional programs, tourism enhancement activities, beautification projects, island-wide cleanup, and to include purchasing supplies and equipment for such projects. The expenditure authority of these funds shall be the respective mayors of each island.

(b) Reporting. The Municipalities of Tinian, Rota, and Saipan shall submit a detailed annual report of the funds utilized under subsection (a), to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Marianas Visitors Authority; provided, however, that the Marianas Visitors Authority shall report all funds utilized for tourism enhancement for the Municipalities of Tinian, Rota, and Saipan and other tourism related activities. Furthermore, any expenditures by the municipalities with the approval of Marianas Visitors Authority for tourism enhancement and beautification activities outside of the funds covered by subsection (a) shall be reimbursable to the respective municipality that incurred costs associated with tourism enhancement, beautification or other related activities that should have been paid for by the Marianas Visitors Authority.

Source: [PL 18-1](#) § 5 (§ 103) (Mar. 11, 2013), modified; amended by [PL 20-17](#) § 2 (Sept. 29, 2017), modified.

Commission Comment: [Historical comment removed.]

In codifying [PL 20-17](#), the Commission changed “[4 CMC § 2159\(a\)](#)” to “subsection (a)” in (b) pursuant to [1 CMC § 3806\(g\)](#).