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The Honorable Jesus R. Sablan
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The Honorable Diego T. Benavente
Speaker, House of Representatives
Tenth Northern Marianas
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Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

Enclosed, please find a copy of ~~Executive Order 96-3~~, which transfers Mobile Health Services from the Department of Public Safety to the Department of Public Health.

This Order does not affect existing law. Our present system of mobile health services was introduced after the passage of P.L. 1-8, which established the Departments of Public Health and Public Safety. The existing law (1 CMC, Division 2) does not mention these services, nor does it allocate them to a particular Department. It appears that most states place these services under public health rather than public safety, and that this is the more rational and efficient way to organize them.

Since this Order does not affect existing law, the Legislature's approval is not required for it. However, I am providing you with copies for your reference and convenience.

The Order will go into effect on January 1, 1997.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Froilan C. Tenorio".

FROILAN C. TENORIO

cc: Secretary of Public Health
Commissioner of Public Safety
Law Revision Commissioner.
Emergency Management Office
Office of Personnel Management
Special Assistant for Management and Budget

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 96-3

SUBJECT: Re-organization of Emergency Medical Services

AUTHORITY: Constitution, Article III, Section 15

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services are presently a part of the Department of Public Safety; and,

WHEREAS, in most states the administration of these services are not part of the police department, but are in a separate department or division, which is either independent or affiliated with Public Health; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor may make changes in the allocation of offices, agencies, and instrumentalities, and in their functions and duties, as necessary for efficient administration; and

WHEREAS, this reorganization does not affect existing law, and so does not have to be sent to the Legislature for approval or modification; and

WHEREAS, it appears that this reorganization will promote efficient administration, and public health and safety;

WHEREAS, for convenience, and to give all parties time to make the necessary changes, this Order should be given a certain amount of time before taking effect, so that the effective date should be January 1, 1996;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

ORDERED:

That the following provisions shall constitute Re-organization Plan No. 3 of 1996:

Section 101. Mobile Health Services.

(a) Division of Mobile Health Services created. There is hereby created within the Department of Public Health a Division of Mobile Health.



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MEMORANDUM

TO : Chairman, Committee on Judiciary and
Governmental Operations

FROM : Speaker

DATE : August 26, 1996

SUBJECT : Referral of Executive Order 96-3

Attached is Governor Tenorio's letter of August 20, 1996 and Executive Order 96-3. In it he refers Executive Order 96-3 to the legislature for our reference. According to the governor, the E.O. does not affect existing law, therefore it need not be approved by the legislature.

However, I am hereby referring Executive Order 96-3 to the House committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations to confirm whether the E.O. does not affect existing law. Should that not be the case, please inform the House of your committee's recommendation.


DIEGO T. BENAVENTE

Attach.

cc: All Members, House of Representatives
House Clerk
House Legal Counsel