

lature pass the bill, it shall be a law. If any bill presented to the Governor contains several items of appropriation of money, he may object to one or more of such items, or any part or parts, portion or portions thereof, while approving the other items, parts, or portions of the bill. In such a case he shall append to the bill at the time of signing it, a statement of the items, or parts or portions thereof, to which he objects, and the items, or parts or portions thereof, so objected to shall not take effect. All laws enacted by the legislature shall be reported by the Governor to the head of the department or agency designated by the President under section 1421a of this title. The Congress of the United States reserves the power and authority to annul the same.

(Aug. 1, 1950, ch. 512, §19, 64 Stat. 389; Pub. L. 90-497, §8, Sept. 11, 1968, 82 Stat. 847; Pub. L. 93-608, §1(14), Jan. 2, 1975, 88 Stat. 1969.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### AMENDMENTS

1975—Pub. L. 93-608 struck out requirement that reports be transmitted to Congress by the Secretary concerned.

1968—Pub. L. 90-497, §8(a), struck out President's authority to veto territorial legislation referred by the Governor after such legislation had been passed by the legislature over the Governor's veto.

Pub. L. 90-497, §8(b), struck out provision that, if Congress did not annul laws passed by the legislature and reported to Congress within one year of the date of its receipt by Congress, such laws were deemed to have been approved by Congress.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1968 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 90-497, §8(b), Sept. 11, 1968, 82 Stat. 847, provided that the amendment made by that section is effective on the date of enactment of Pub. L. 90-497, which was approved Sept. 11, 1968.

Amendment by Pub. L. 90-497 necessary to authorize the holding of an election for Governor and Lieutenant Governor on Nov. 3, 1970, effective Jan. 1, 1970, and all other amendments unless otherwise provided effective Jan. 4, 1971, see section 13 of Pub. L. 90-497, set out as a note under section 1422 of this title.

#### § 1423j. Authorization of appropriations

(a) Appropriations, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, and except such appropriations as shall be made from time to time by the Congress of the United States, shall be made by the legislature.

(b) If at the termination of any fiscal year the legislature shall have failed to pass appropriation bills providing for payments of the necessary current expenses of the government and meeting its legal obligations for the ensuing fiscal year, then the several sums appropriated in the last appropriation bills for the objects and purposes therein specified, so far as the same may be applicable, shall be deemed to be re-appropriated, item by item.

(c) All appropriations made prior to August 1, 1950 shall be available to the government of Guam.

(Aug. 1, 1950, ch. 512, §20, 64 Stat. 389.)

#### § 1423k. Right of petition

The legislature or any person or group of persons in Guam shall have the unrestricted right of petition. It shall be the duty of all officers of the government to receive and without delay to act upon or forward, as the case may require, any such petition.

(Aug. 1, 1950, ch. 512, §21, 64 Stat. 389.)

#### § 1423l. Omitted

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

Section, act Oct. 5, 1992, Pub. L. 102-381, title I, 106 Stat. 1392, which authorized Territorial and local governments of Guam to make purchases through General Services Administration, was from the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1993, and was not repeated in subsequent appropriation acts. See section 1469e of this title. Similar provisions were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

Nov. 13, 1991, Pub. L. 102-154, title I, 105 Stat. 1007.  
 Nov. 5, 1990, Pub. L. 101-512, title I, 104 Stat. 1932.  
 Oct. 23, 1989, Pub. L. 101-121, title I, 103 Stat. 716.  
 Sept. 27, 1988, Pub. L. 100-446, title I, 102 Stat. 1797.  
 Dec. 22, 1987, Pub. L. 100-202, §101(g) [title I], 101 Stat. 1329-213, 1329-231.  
 Oct. 18, 1986, Pub. L. 99-500, §101(h) [title I], 100 Stat. 1783-242, 1783-258, and Oct. 30, 1986, Pub. L. 99-591, §101(h) [title I], 100 Stat. 3341-242, 3341-258.  
 Dec. 19, 1985, Pub. L. 99-190, §101(d) [title I], 99 Stat. 1224, 1238.  
 Oct. 12, 1984, Pub. L. 98-473, title I, §101(c) [title I], 98 Stat. 1837, 1851.  
 Nov. 4, 1983, Pub. L. 98-146, title I, 97 Stat. 931.  
 Dec. 30, 1982, Pub. L. 97-394, title I, 96 Stat. 1979.  
 Dec. 23, 1981, Pub. L. 97-100, title I, 95 Stat. 1401.  
 Dec. 12, 1980, Pub. L. 96-514, title I, 94 Stat. 2969.  
 Nov. 27, 1979, Pub. L. 96-126, title I, 93 Stat. 965.  
 Oct. 17, 1978, Pub. L. 95-465, title I, 92 Stat. 1289.  
 July 26, 1977, Pub. L. 95-74, title I, 91 Stat. 295.  
 July 31, 1976, Pub. L. 94-373, title I, 90 Stat. 1052.  
 Dec. 23, 1975, Pub. L. 94-165, title I, 89 Stat. 987.  
 Aug. 31, 1974, Pub. L. 93-404, title I, 88 Stat. 812.  
 Oct. 4, 1973, Pub. L. 93-120, title I, 87 Stat. 433.  
 Aug. 10, 1972, Pub. L. 92-369, title I, 86 Stat. 512.  
 Aug. 10, 1971, Pub. L. 92-76, title I, 85 Stat. 233.  
 July 31, 1970, Pub. L. 91-361, title I, 84 Stat. 673.  
 Oct. 29, 1969, Pub. L. 91-98, title I, 83 Stat. 151.  
 July 26, 1968, Pub. L. 90-425, title I, 82 Stat. 430.  
 June 24, 1967, Pub. L. 90-28, title I, 81 Stat. 63.  
 May 31, 1966, Pub. L. 89-435, title I, 80 Stat. 174.  
 June 28, 1965, Pub. L. 89-52, title I, 79 Stat. 179.  
 July 7, 1964, Pub. L. 88-356, title I, 78 Stat. 278.  
 July 26, 1963, Pub. L. 88-79, title I, 77 Stat. 102.  
 Aug. 9, 1962, Pub. L. 87-578, title I, 76 Stat. 339.  
 Aug. 3, 1961, Pub. L. 87-122, title I, 75 Stat. 250.  
 May 13, 1960, Pub. L. 86-455, title I, 74 Stat. 112.  
 June 23, 1959, Pub. L. 86-60, title I, 73 Stat. 101.  
 June 4, 1958, Pub. L. 85-439, title I, 72 Stat. 163.  
 July 1, 1957, Pub. L. 85-77, title I, 71 Stat. 265.  
 June 13, 1956, ch. 380, title I, 70 Stat. 264.  
 June 16, 1955, ch. 147, title I, 69 Stat. 149.  
 July 1, 1954, ch. 446, title I, 68 Stat. 372.  
 July 31, 1953, ch. 298, title I, 67 Stat. 273.  
 July 9, 1952, ch. 597, title I, 66 Stat. 457.  
 Aug. 31, 1951, ch. 375, title I, 65 Stat. 263.  
 Sept. 6, 1950, ch. 896, Ch. VII, title I, 64 Stat. 694.

#### SUBCHAPTER IV—THE JUDICIARY

#### § 1424. District Court of Guam; local courts; jurisdiction

##### (a) District Court of Guam; unified court system

(1) The judicial authority of Guam shall be vested in a court established by Congress des-