



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 17-11
FSM CONGRESS

September 30, 2011

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir
Speaker
17th FSM Congress
Palikir, Pohnpei State, FM 96941



Dear Speaker Figir:

I am pleased to inform you that I have designated the following Congressional Act as Public Law No. 17-18:

Congressional Act No. 17-17, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-62, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-71 AND 17-05, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 4, 5 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATES OF POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I support public projects and social programs in general for they play an important role in many aspects of community development. In my view, the proposed changes in the bill are legitimate and valid as the new projects are as important as the changed ones and well within the parameters of community projects and programs.

My grave concern of the bill is the amendment proposed under Section 5(1) (e). That particular amendment essentially redirected funds previously appropriated for contribution to social security premium payment and financial assistance to student attending Pacific Island University in Guam for traveling of state, municipal and traditional leaders. It is alarming that priority is given to travel for leaders in the expense of financial assistance to students. Use of public project funds for traveling reflects substandard consideration and must not be tolerated at any cost. We must work together to eliminate travel funding if it has no bearing or nexus with any public projects or social programs.

I therefore urge Congress to give due consideration and if not now do away with the use of public projects funding for traveling in the future. It is imperative that we combine efforts to ascertain proper use of public funds.

Sincerely,

Manny Mori
President

Enclosures:

Xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
Acting Secretary, Department of Justice
Acting Director, SBOC
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Office of the Chief Clerk

September 20, 2011



His Excellency Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Mori:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 17-17, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-62, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-71 AND 17-05, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 4, 5 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATES OF POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2011, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

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Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures

PUBLIC LAW No. 17- 18



SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
SECOND REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 12 – OCTOBER 01, 2011

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 17-11
FSM CONGRESS

An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-62, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-71 AND 17-05, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 4, 5 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATES OF POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: BERNEY MARTIN

DATE: SEPTEMBER 13, 2011

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

WITHDRAWN – SEPTEMBER 13, 2011

FIRST READING: SEPTEMBER 13, 2011

SECOND READING: SEPTEMBER 19, 2011

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Liwiana Ramon Ioanis", is written over a horizontal line.

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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Office of the Speaker

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 1711
FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 17-17

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 17-43)

We hereby certify that on September 19 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2011, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Isaac V. Figir
Speaker
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 2011

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 17-43

PUBLIC LAW No. 17-18

AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 16-62, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 16-71 and 17-05, by amending sections 4, 5 and 6 thereof, to change the use and allottee of certain funds previously appropriated therein to fund public projects and social programs in the States of Pohnpei and Chuuk, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA:

1 Section 1. Section 4 of Public Law No. 16-62, as amended by
2 Public Laws Nos. 16-71 and 17-05, is hereby further amended to
3 read as follows:

4 "Section 4. Of the sum of \$1,050,000 appropriated by
5 this act, \$300,000 is apportioned for Pohnpei State
6 for public projects and social programs.

7 State of Pohnpei \$ 300,000

8 (1) Pohnpei at Large 75,000

9 (a) Soledi road construction 30,000

10 (b) Food relief 7,000

11 (c) Pohnpei road improvement/repair 30,000

12 (d) MS. Caroline Voyager 5,000

13 (e) Ohwa School Food subsidy 3,000

14 (2) Election District No. 1 75,000

15 (a) Road construction/improvement 65,000

16 (b) Educational staff support

17 services and school materials 7,000

18 (c) Poultry project subsidy to

19 assist in purchase of feed and veterinary

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1	and vaccination costs	\$ 3,000
2	(3) Election District No. 2	75,000
3	(a) Pohnpei PIBA Chapter	10,000
4	(b) Contractual Services for teacher	
5	aide at Salapwuk elementary school	6,000
6	(c) Contractual Service for a cook	
7	at Nanpei Memorial High School (NMHS)	6,000
8	(d) Election District No. 2	
9	participation in Guam softball tournament ..	20,000
10	(e) Election District No. 2 operation	5,000
11	(f) Civic Centers	10,000
12	(g) Pehleng fish market	4,000
13	(h) Students financial assistance ...	4,000
14	(i) Water system upgrade at	
15	Madolenihmw High School	4,000
16	(j) Kitti Municipal Government	
17	Building improvement	6,000
18	(4) Election District No. 3	75,000
19	(a) Students financial assistance ...	2,000
20	(b) Dolonier, Nett farm road	
21	improvement	25,000
22	(c) U Secondary road improvement	30,000
23	(d) Water project	10,000
24	(e) Contractual services for Grant	
25	writing on Seed money	5,000

1 (f) Election District No. 3 Rural

2 Internet Connectivity services \$ 3,000"

3 Section 2. Section 5 of Public Law No. 16-62, as amended
4 by Public Law No. 17-05, is hereby further amended to read as
5 follows:

6 "Section 5. Of the sum of \$1,050,000 appropriated by
7 this act, \$450,000 is apportioned for Chuuk State for
8 public projects and social programs.

9 State of Chuuk \$ 450,000

10 (1) Chuuk at Large 75,000

11 (a) Fishing project 44,000

12 (b) Food relief assistance 12,000

13 (c) Youth's activities, programs

14 and projects 10,000

15 (d) Chuuk's centennial activities

16 and inauguration 5,000

17 (e) State, municipal and traditional

18 leaders travel 4,000

19 (2) Election District No. 1 75,000

20 (a) POL 15,000

21 (b) Community centers'

22 renovation/repair 44,470

23 (c) Fishing project 7,166

24 (d) Power/solar lighting system 8,364

25 (3) Election District No. 2 75,000

1	(a) Piis-Paneu Constitutional	
2	referendum	\$ 5,000
3	(b) Road repair heavy equipment.....	50,000
4	(c) Northern Namoneas Social and	
5	Economic Development Authority Supplement ..	20,000
6	(4) Election District No. 3.....	75,000
7	(a) Fishing project.....	26,000
8	(b) Housing/Community Halls.....	10,000
9	(c) Entrepreneurship subsidy.....	5,474
10	(d) Land transportation.....	12,000
11	(e) Contribution to Social Security	
12	premium payment	2,000
13	(f) Food relief assistance.....	10,000
14	(g) Leadership travel.....	5,000
15	(h) Southern Namoneas Authority	
16	Office rental and/or repair.....	4,526
17	(5) Election District No. 4.....	75,000
18	(a) Fishing project.....	50,000
19	(b) Students' land transportation ..	5,000
20	(c) Food relief assistance.....	10,000
21	(d) Leadership travel (State,	
22	municipal and traditional leaders)	10,000
23	(6) Election District No. 5.....	75,000
24	(a) Travel needs	25,000
25	(b) Food relief assistance.....	15,000

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1	(c) Fishing project	\$ 15,000
2	(d) Youths' activities and programs	15,000
3	(e) Cultural education program	5,000"

4 Section 3. Section 6 of Public Law No. 16-62, as amended
5 by Public Law No. 17-05, is hereby further amended to read as
6 follows:

7 "Section 6. Allotment and management of funds and
8 lapse date. All funds appropriated by this act shall
9 be allotted, managed, administered and accounted for
10 in accordance with applicable law, including, but not
11 limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979.
12 The allottee shall be responsible for ensuring that
13 these funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary,
14 are used solely for the purpose specified in this
15 act, and that no obligations are incurred in excess
16 of the sum appropriated. The allottee of funds
17 appropriated under sections 2 and 4 of this act shall
18 be the President of the Federated States of
19 Micronesia or his designee, PROVIDED THAT the
20 allottee of funds appropriated under subsection
21 4(1)(c) of this act shall be the Pohnpei
22 Transportation Authority, the allottee of funds
23 appropriated under subsection 4(2)(c) of this act
24 shall be the Secretary of the Department of Resources
25 and Development or his designee, the allottee of

1 funds appropriated under subsections 4(3)(b), 4(3)(c)
2 and 4(3)(j) of this act shall be the Luhkenmoanlap of
3 Kitti Municipal Government and the allottee of funds
4 appropriated under subsection 4(3)(i) of this act
5 shall be the Meninkeder Lapalap of Madolenihmw
6 Municipal Government. The allottee of funds
7 appropriated under section 3 of this act shall be the
8 Governor of Yap State. The allottee of funds
9 appropriated under subsections 5(1)(2)(4)(5) and (6)
10 shall be the Chuuk State Commission on Improvement
11 Project (CSCIP). The allottee of funds appropriated
12 under subsection 5(3) of this act shall be the
13 Executive Director of the Northern Namoneas Social
14 and Economic Development Authority. The funds
15 appropriated by this act shall remain available until
16 fully expended."

1 Section 4. This act shall become law upon approval by the
2 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
3 becoming law without such approval.

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September 30, 2011

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Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia

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