



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

May 31, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert
Speaker
18th FSM Congress
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941



PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-297
FSM CONGRESS

Dear Speaker Halbert:

I am returning the following Congressional Acts, which have become public laws without signature:

Public Law No. 18-63, Congressional Act No. 18-65, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-35, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-49 AND 18-61, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE STATES OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-64, Congressional Act No. 18-67, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-59, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-63, 17-66, 17-70, 17-77, 17-86, 18-21 AND 18-29, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-65, Congressional Act No. 18-68, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-36, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-48, 17-78, 17-87, 18-36 AND 18-60, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 4 AND 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-66, Congressional Act No. 18-69, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-50, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-04, 17-53 AND 18-37, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 1 AND 2 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-67, Congressional Act No. 18-64, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-36, 15-44, 15-57, 15-63, 15-72, 15-78, 16-03, 16-11, 16-33, 16-46, 17-12, 17-21, 17-33, 17-40 AND 18-17, BY AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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The above congressional acts have changed the various appropriations for public project and social programs in their amount, purpose, and allottee of funds. Although the changes do not involve any increase in the allocation of funds among the four States, still the changes have adverse consequences on the effective implementation of public projects and social programs.

Upon review, the Acts reveal the following common characteristics:

1. There were no public hearings.
2. Except for Congressional Act No. 18-64, all the Congressional Acts do not have committee reports.
3. There have been multiple amendments to the original appropriations. The multiple amendments result in confusion as to the true intention of Congress in appropriating funds for the public projects and social programs, and create difficulties in implementing them, such as tracking of the numerous changes that have occurred over multiple fiscal years.
4. Most of the changes of recipients and use of funds are without clear justification and reasoning behind the changes.

The above Acts are examples of defective appropriation of public projects and social programs. As I stated in prior transmittals, it would be most helpful if Congress would set a policy limiting the subsequent amendments to a maximum of only three per Act in order to avoid the problems outlined above. All the above acts involve more than 3 amendments. In fact, the most number of amendments is 16.

Therefore, I return these Acts without signature.

Sincerely,



President

Enclosures:

xc. Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
Secretary, Department of Justice
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May 21, 2014

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-297
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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. 18-65, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-35, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-49 AND 18-61, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE STATES OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2014, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

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

Enclosures



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EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
FOURTH REGULAR SESSION
MAY 12 - 31, 2014

PUBLIC LAW No. 18-63

An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-35, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-49 AND 18-61, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE STATES OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: FLORENCIO S. HARPER

DATE: MAY 15, 2014

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

WITHDRAWN – MAY 19, 2014

FIRST READING: MAY 19, 2014

SECOND READING: MAY 20, 2014

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
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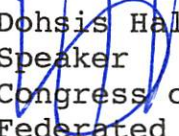
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ACT NO. 18-65

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-163, C.D.1, C.D.2)

We hereby certify that on May 20 the foregoing act passed
Second and Final Reading of the Eighteenth Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session,
2014, 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.


Dohsis Halbert
Speaker
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia


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

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2014 CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-163, C.D.1, C.D.2

PUBLIC LAW No. 18-63

AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 18-35, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 18-49 and 18-61, by amending sections 3, 4 and 5 thereof, to change the use of funds previously appropriated therein, to fund public projects and social programs for the States of Kosrae, Pohnpei and Chuuk, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 3 of Public Law No. 18-35, as amended by
2 Public Laws Nos. 18-49 and 18-61, is hereby further amended to
3 read as follows:

4 "Section 3. Of the sum of \$4,900,000 appropriated by
5 this act, \$700,000 is apportioned for public projects
6 and social programs in the State of Kosrae.

7	State of Kosrae	\$	700,000
8	(a) BA Program		30,000
9	(b) High School Lunch Program		50,000
10	(c) We Care Referral Program		20,000
11	(d) Fundraising (Woman Christian		
12	Association- Walung)		10,000
13	(e) Fundraising (Junior Tennis Players)		10,000
14	(f) Fwalwe-Walung Channel		15,000
15	(g) Tafunsak-Walung Channel		10,000
16	(h) Lelu Town Government		
17	administrative support services		20,000
18	(i) Kosrae Island Veteran Association		10,000

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1	(j) Kosrae Women Christian Associations \$	20,000
2	(k) Purchase of I-pads/I-phones	10,000
3	(l) Kosrae Visitors Bureau	
4	(Travel/Promotions)	10,000
5	(m) Kosrae Benevolent	
6	Association in Hawaii	10,000
7	(n) Fundraising for G-14 basketball team	10,000
8	(o) Inpea farm road/culvert	5,000
9	(p) SDA Youth Musical Instruments ..	10,000
10	(q) Payments for outstanding	
11	accounts for COM-FSM Students	20,000
12	(r) Students travel costs	10,000
13	(s) Kosrae Public Auditor training .	10,000
14	(t) Scholarship for Phd	
15	candidates-Walden University	15,000
16	(u) Utwe - Walung channel	15,000
17	(v) Kosrae Special Parent	
18	Network (KSPN)	5,000
19	(w) Purchase of vehicle/part for	
20	KHS lunch program	15,000
21	(x) Purchase of communication	
22	equipment (Police detectives)	5,000
23	(y) Fund Raising (Rebar Team)	25,000
24	(z) Kosrae State subsidy	25,000
25	(aa) Department of Resources	

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1	and Economic Affairs subsidy	
2	(seedling product)	\$ 30,000
3	(ab) Kosrae Conservation Society	
4	Organization	10,000
5	(ac) Kosrae Attorney General's	
6	Office subsidy	20,000
7	(ad) Kosrae State Public Safety (fuel)	10,000
8	(ae) Kosrae Island Resource	
9	Management Authority (KIRMA)	10,000
10	(af) Constituents outreach	
11	(Consulate General Honolulu)	10,000
12	(ag) Municipal governments subsidy ..	40,000
13	(ah) Tafunsak Basketball/Tennis courts	30,000
14	(ai) Malem Basketball/Tennis courts .	30,000
15	(aj) Utwa farm and access roads/drainages	30,000
16	(ak) Lelu - Mutunneneea/Sialat	
17	access road to Pukusruk	24,000
18	(al) Travel needs (outreach program)	45,000
19	(am) Access road to Pukusrik Water system	10,000
20	(an) Manpower/capacity building	
21	Kosrae State)	-0-
22	(ao) Malem access road	5,000
23	(ap) Kosrae Telecommunication	
24	internet coverage	11,000
25	(aq) Payment for LSAT Preparation and	

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1 other associated expenses \$ 5,000

2 (ar) Micronesian Shipping Commission 5,000"

3 Section 2. Section 4 of Public Law No. 18-35, as amended

4 by Public Laws Nos. 18-49 and 18-61, is hereby further amended

5 to read as follows:

6 "Section 4. Of the sum of \$4,900,000 appropriated by

7 this act, \$1,400,000 is apportioned for public

8 projects and social programs in the State of Pohnpei.

9 State of Pohnpei 1,400,000

10 (1) At-Large 350,000

11 (a) Construction and improvement of

12 Sports facilities Improvement in Kitti (survey

13 cost, land clearance, equipment rental,

14 material purchase, labor) \$ 75,000

15 (b) Construction and improvement of sports

16 facility in Senpehn, Madolenihmw (Equipment rental,

17 material purchase, lighting fixture purchase,

18 electrical products, labor cost) 97,000

19 (c) Travel by airplane for Pohnpei

20 (for field lighting expert/consultant) ... 16,000

21 (d) Water system improvement (material,

22 equipment purchase, labor) 42,000

23 (e) Community centers improvement

24 (Health and sanitary improvement, access road

25 improvement) 20,000

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1	(f) Crop development project grants	
2	(seedling purchase and cultivation, equipment,	
3	tools purchase, equipment rental & labor, produce	
4	processing equipment, travel of Cargo expert	
5	to Pohnpei)	\$ 50,000
6	(g) Street lights installation in Kolonia	50,000
7	(2) Election District No. 1	350,000
8	(a) Road improvement	200,000
9	(b) Transportation Needs	20,000
10	(c) School Needs	20,000
11	(d) Solar lights	50,000
12	Leadership travel	10,000
13	(e) RSP Center Construction	30,000
14	(f) Election District No. 1 Need	
15	Assessment and Monitoring	15,000
16	(g) Nukuoro Constitutional Convention	5,000
17	(3) Election District No. 2	350,000
18	(a) Salapuk school road paving	50,000
19	(b) Wone school road paving	50,000
20	(c) Diadi (Madol) water system	5,000
21	(d) Diadi (Kitti) water system	10,000
22	(e) Nanpahalp (Madol) road paving ..	30,000
23	(f) Speaker's office, Isokohnedi,	
24	administrative support	5,000
25	(g) Kitti track and field facility .	25,000

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1	(h) Water well drilling	\$ 5,000
2	(i) Sapwalapw road upgrade	15,000
3	(j) Enipen powe road upgrade	15,000
4	(k) Power line extension	10,000
5	(l) Mwoakot (Kitti) road upgrade ...	15,000
6	(m) Metipw/Dolapwal road upgrade ...	10,000
7	(n) Dioan road upgrade	15,000
8	(o) Youth and Sports	7,500
9	(p) Sports equipment	7,500
10	(q) Agriculture fair	5,000
11	(r) Students financial assistance ..	10,000
12	(s) Patients referral assistance ...	5,000
13	(t) Purchase of Coral material	7,500
14	(u) Purchase of PVC pipes and fittings	7,500
15	(v) Administrative support services	
16	(Election District No. 2)	5,000
17	(w) Nanmangil road construction	20,000
18	(x) Kepine water system upgrade	10,000
19	(y) Luhkenmoanlap's office, Kitti	
20	municipal government	5,000
21	(4) Election District No. 3	350,000
22	(a) Youth Sports Facilities renovation,	
23	sports activities & equipment/supplies	30,000
24	(b) School supplies	10,000
25	(c) Student support fun	10,000

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1	(d) Medical referral support	\$ 15,000
2	(e) Nan-U pier repairs/improvement .	25,000
3	(f) Senior Citizen support	5,000
4	(g) Road Cleanup project/equipment .	45,000
5	(h) Road speed pumps/signs	35,000
6	(i) Mwoakilloa Municipal Gov't Subsidy	25,000
7	(j) Pingelap lumber project	10,000
8	(k) Pingelap coconut project	10,000
9	(l) Pingelap satellite fee	3,000
10	(m) ED#3 Community Water Projects ..	25,000
11	(n) Renewal Energy/solar equipment	
12	supplies for remote communities	20,000
13	(o) Pohnpei Business Association	
14	subsidy	10,000
15	(p) ED#3 Office subsidy	30,000
16	(q) ED#3 Office work truck	13,000
17	(r) U Municipal Gov't work truck ...	13,000
18	(s) U Municipal Gov't Executive subsidy	3,000
19	(t) Pohnpei State Transportation Authority	
20	(PTA) work truck	13,000"

21 Section 3. Section 5 of Public Law No. 18-35, as amended
 22 by Public Laws Nos. 18-49 and 18-61, is hereby further amended
 23 to read as follows:

24 "Section 5. Of the sum of \$4,900,000 appropriated by
 25 this act, \$2,100,000 is apportioned for public

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1	projects and social programs in the State of Chuuk.	
2	State of Chuuk	\$ 2,100,000
3	(1) At-Large	350,000
4	(a) Community facilities/	
5	housing improvement subsidy	70,000
6	(b) Non-government	
7	organizations/foundations/associations	5,000
8	(c) Contributions/subsidies to State,	
9	Municipal and Community	
10	events/activities/programs	55,000
11	(d) Leaders/Patients/Students	
12	travel and human remains repatriation costs	45,000
13	(e) POL/Freight/Charter subsidy	20,000
14	(f) Municipal government subsidy ...	25,000
15	(g) Fishing projects	40,000
16	(h) Land transportation	25,000
17	(i) Women's Home Economic	
18	Program/Projects	25,000
19	(j) Municipal facilities	
20	construction/improvement subsidy	30,000
21	(k) Social Security premium obligation	10,000
22	(2) Election District No. 1	350,000
23	(a) Municipal subsidy	50,000
24	(b) Mortlock Island Development	
25	Authority	40,000

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1	(g) Food Security	\$ 30,000
2	(h) Weno Election Commissioner's office	5,000
3	(i) Administrative cost/office	
4	rental for Election district No. 2	45,000
5	(j) Students financial assistance	
6	(outstanding debts)	20,000
7	(k) Contribution to the goodwill	
8	games in Guam	2,000
9	(4) Election District No. 3	350,000
10	(a) Fishing project	80,000
11	(b) Housing/community	
12	facilities rehabilitation	70,000
13	(c) Food security and relief	
14	assistance subsidy	20,000
15	(d) Repatriation of human	
16	remain and associated costs	15,000
17	(e) Vehicle purchase	15,000
18	(f) Administrative support and	
19	services for Southern Namoneas Development	
20	Authority	20,000
21	(g) Office rental for Southern	
22	Namoneas Development Authority	10,000
23	(h) School site land purchase	
24	payment	10,000
25	(i) Soput/Nepeche/Pisinkos	

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1	facilities rehabilitation	\$ 10,000
2	(j) Nenon Sputiw dispensary renovation	3,000
3	(k) Students/Leaders/patients	
4	referral travel needs	15,000
5	(l) Roads/bridges/seawalls	
6	beautification - Wiras Chun Tonowas	5,000
7	(m) Roads/bridges/seawalls	
8	beautification - Nepisor Pukou Nukanap Uman	5,000
9	(n) Municipal governments' subsidy .	20,000
10	(o) Constituents outreach program ..	20,000
11	(p) Nechap/Chun basketball	
12	court supplemental	2,000
13	(q) Municipal/community	
14	events/activities/ programs	5,000
15	(r) Farmers seedling and labor	
16	obligation subsidy	5,000
17	(s) Students financial assistance ..	5,000
18	(t) Community health project and	
19	water improvement subsidy	5,000
20	(u) Markets and Handy craft	
21	shops subsidy	5,000
22	(v) Sewing project subsidy	5,000
23	(5) Election District No. 4	350,000
24	(a) Fishing Project Subsidy	50,000
25	(b) Low Income housing subsidy	40,000

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1	(c) Farming Project Subsidy	\$ 40,000
2	(d) Sewing Project	20,000
3	(e) Municipal Subsidy	20,000
4	(f) Youth Activities and Programs ..	40,000
5	(g) Medical referral and	
6	repatriation of human remains	20,000
7	(h) Students/Farmers Land	
8	transportation	20,000
9	(i) Road improvement and Beautification	20,000
10	(j) Humanitarian assistance Subsidy	25,000
11	(k) Students assistance Subsidy	15,000
12	(l) Administrative cost for FDA	15,000
13	(m) Fiber boat repair	10,000
14	(n) Solar System	15,000
15	(o) Water Project	-0-
16	(6) Election District No. 5	350,000
17	(a) Boat purchase and related	
18	expenses (travel and POL)	60,000
19	(b) Administrative cost for	
20	Election District No. 5	75,000
21	(c) Freight, POL and/or charters ...	30,000
22	(d) Project site rental/lease	-0-
23	(e) Students financial assistance ..	20,000
24	(f) Northwest passengers boat	
25	operation and/or repair	-0-

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1	(g) Fishermen Revolving Fund	
2	for Northwest islands	\$ -0-
3	(h) Fish sales revolving fund	15,000
4	(i) Business startup costs	30,000
5	(j) Water tanks	1,000
6	(k) Contractual services for Northwest	
7	passenger boat operation managers and crew	44,000
8	(l) Land purchase for Northwest Islands	
9	Development Authority	25,000
10	(m) Ice making machine	30,000
11	(n) Patients' travel and medical	
12	treatment costs	15,000
13	(o) Turtle farm project	5,000"
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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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11 *Law with signature*

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Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia

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