

### The President

Palikir, Pohnpei

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18

Federated States of Micronesia

June 30, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert Speaker Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

FSM Congress Speakers Office

Dear Speaker Halbert:

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

Public Law No. 18-72, Congressional Act No. 18-71 entitled: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-05, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-07, 18-14, 18-31 AND 18-38, BY AMENDING SECTION 2 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF KOSRAE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 73, Congressional Act No. 18-72 entitled: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-71, 17-81, 17-84, 17-89, 17-90, 18-03, 18-10, 18-13, 18-32, 18-46 AND 18-58 BY AMENDING SECTION 3 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF KOSRAE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Both Congressional Acts No. 18-71 and 18-72 change certain line item appropriations for Kosrae. Although the overall amounts of public projects and social programs remain the same, the amendments either modify the amounts or change the purpose of certain line items. There is no committee report made and no public hearing conducted before approving the amendments. As implementer of public laws, the Executive Branch was not invited to express its views and opinions on the potential ramification of the amendments or if there are any issues in regard to the actual implementation of the Stated another way, there was no transparency in the process of adopting the amendments. Both Acts were withdrawn from the appropriate committee, which prevented thorough deliberation on the subject matter.

I continue to urge Congress to implement changes in order to address the concerns expressed above.

Sincerely,

Manny Mori President

Enclosure:

Xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court Secretary, Department of Justice Director, SBOC Legislative Counsel, CFSM Library, CFSM PIO FSM



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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-308

May <u>9</u>, 2014 FSM CONGRESS

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. 18-72, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-71, 17-81, 17-84, 17-89, 17-90, 18-03, 18-10, 18-13, 18-32, 18-46 AND 18-58 BY AMENDING SECTION 3 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF KOSRAE, 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



# PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-308 FSM CONGRESS

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

PUBLIC LAW No. 18-73

# An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-71, 17-81, 17-84, 17-89, 17-90, 18-03, 18-10, 18-13, 18-32, 18-46 AND 18-58 BY AMENDING SECTION 3 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF KOSRAE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: YOSIWO P. GEORGE

DATE: MAY 21, 2014

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

WITHDRAWN - MAY 26, 2014

FIRST READING: MAY 26, 2014 SECOND READING: MAY 27, 2014

> Liwiana Ramon Ioanis Chief Clerk, FSM Congress

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Office of the Speaker

FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 18-72

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-174)

We hereby certify that on May 27 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.

Donsis 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. 18-174

## PUBLIC LAW No. 18-73

#### AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 17-68, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 17-71, 17-81, 17-84, 17-89, 17-90, 18-03, 18-10, 18-13, 18-32, 18-46 and 18-58 by amending section 3 thereof, for the purpose of changing the use of certain funds previously appropriated therein, to fund public projects and social programs in the State of Kosrae, and for other purposes.

BE I	T ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA:
1	Section 1. Section 3 of Public Law No. 17-68, as amended
2	by Public Laws Nos. 17-71, 17-84, 18-03 and 18-13, is hereby
3	further amended to read as follows:
4	"Section 3. Of the sum of \$5,697,383 appropriated
5	by this act, \$15,197 is apportioned to pay the
6	amount owed by the State of Kosrae to FEMA and
7	\$600,000 is apportioned for public projects and
8	social programs in the State of Kosrae.
9	(1) Amount owed by the State of Kosrae to FEMA \$15,197
10	(2) State of Kosrae \$ 600,000
11	(a) Kosrae State Government subsidy
12	(IMF matching, road & drainage maintenance,
13	equipment) 100,000
14	(b) DREA economic projects and programs 40,000
15	(c) Kosrae Utility Authority
16	for Power Extension0-
17	(d) Vehicle purchase

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1	for Small Business Center\$	25,000
2	(e) Kosrae State subsidy	55,000
3	(f) Department of Education (Classrooms'	
4	maintenance/matching for IMF funding)	-0-
5	(g) Department of Education	
6	(Youth program/activities)	5,000
7	(h) Kosrae Island Resource	
8	Management Authority subsidy	10,000
9	(i) Kosrae Conservation Society	
10	Organization subsidy	10,000
11	(j) Panyacah bridge improvement	
12	and repair (IMF matching)	15,000
13	(k) Lelu municipal government subsidy	10,000
14	(1) Kosrae Island Veterans Association	20,000
15	(m) KHS lunch program	40,000
16	(n) B.A. program	20,000
17	(o) "We Care" referral program	20,000
18	(p) Multipurpose building in	
19	Lelu municipality	20,000
20	(q) Road improvement (Yeni to Wan Utwe)	10,000
21	(r) Sungankuta, Malem inner road	
22	improvement	5,000
23	(s) Kosrae Women Christian Association	5,000
24	(t) Kosrae Visitor's Bureau	
25	(travel and promotion)	10,000

	PUBLIC LAW No. 3	18-73
1	(u) Kosrae participants to the	
2	2014 Women conference in Pohnpei \$	20,000
3	(v) Kosrae Utility Authority subsidy	40,000
4	(w) Kosrae Youth Associations (Fusr)	5,000
5	(x) Kosrae Special Parent Network (KSPN)	5,000
6	(y) Kosrae State Government's	
7	contribution to Pacific Island Development Bank	30,000
8	(z) Yela Environment Landowners	
9	Authority (YELA)	10,000
10	(aa) Tourist travel trail	
11	in Malem municipality	5,000
12	(ab) Lelu farm road	
13	improvement at Sruusr, Lelu	10,000
14	(ac) Inkoenum, Utwe access	
15	and inner road project	-0-
16	(ad) Kings farm road	
17	project in Pilyaul, Malem	15,000
18	(ae) Tafunsak Municipal	
19	Government land acquisition	10,000
20	(af) Tafeot Dam repair	
21	and water system improvement	10,000
22	(ag) Malem Municipal	
23	Government subsidy	10,000
24	(ah) Utwe Municipal	
25	Government subsidy	10,000"

# PUBLIC LAW No. 18-73 Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the 2 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon it 3 becoming law without such approval. , 2014 11 Law W/out Signature 12 6-30-14 Manny Mori President Federated States of Micronesia