PUBLIC LAW NO. 1-16

FIRST CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 1979

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 1-6, C. D. 1,

## AN ACT

To amend Public Law No. 6-87, as amended, relating to membership in the Commission on Future Political Status and Transition, and for other purposes.

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

- Section 1. Subsection 1 of Section 3 of Public Law No. 6-87, as
- 2 amended by Public Law Nos. 6-113 and 7-63, is hereby further amended to
- 3 read as follows:

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- "(1) Members of the Commission shall be Trust Territory citizens, and shall serve for a term of two years. The Commission shall consist of the following members:
  - (a) four members from the Congress of the Federated
    States of Micronesia, each representing a separate state, to
    be appointed by the Speaker of the Congress; PROVIDED, HOWEVER,
    that the membership of such members shall not cease upon
    termination of membership in the Congress; and PROVIDED
    FURTHER, that membership of those members representing the
    states of the Federated States of Micronesia appointed jointly
    by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House
    of Representatives of the Congress of Micronesia shall continue
    until expiration of the terms to which they were appointed;
  - (b) one member from each of the four states to be appointed by resolution of their respective state legislatures; PROVIDED, that in the event a state legislature is not in session, appointment shall be made by a committee thereof duly authorized to act on behalf of the legislature when it is not in session, or in the absence of such a committee, by an

1	appropriate committee designated by the presiding officer of
2	that legislature. A member appointed by a state legislature
3	may be a member of the legislature and shall be a resident of
4	the state from which appointed; and
5	(c) the Vice President of the Federated States of
6	Micronesia, ex officio."
7	Section 2. Section 4 of Public Law No. 6-87, as amended by Public
8	Law Nos. 6-113 and 7-63, is hereby further amended to read as follows:
9	"Section 4. Vacancy. A vacancy on the Commission shall be
10	filled in the same manner as the original appointment. Members
11	appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve only for the unexpired
12	term. As used in this section, the term 'vacancy' includes a
13	vacancy resulting from:
14	(1) death,
15	(2) resignation, or
16	(3) incapacity to serve by reason of illness, upon
17	finding of same by the Commission."
18	Section 3. Subsection 1 of renumbered Section 9 of Public Law
19	No. 6-87, as amended by Public Law Nos. 6-113, 7-63 and 7-80, is hereby
20	further amended to read as follows:
21	"(1) Members, other than the Chairman of the Commission,
22	shall be paid at the rate of \$40 per day while on the business
23	of the Commission or a committee thereof; PROVIDED, HOWEVER,
24	that members of the Congress of the Federated States of Micro-
25	nesia and members of state legislatures, as well as members of

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1	the Commission who are also officials or employees of the
2	Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, state
3	governments or the Trust Territory government, shall not be
4	entitled to compensation from the Commission. The Commission
5	Chairman shall receive a salary in an amount established in
6	the Commission's annual budget and appropriation; PROVIDED,
7	HOWEVER, that he is neither a member of the Congress of the
8	Federated States of Micronesia or a state legislature, nor an
9	official or employee of the Government of the Federated States
10	of Micronesia or a state government. All members of the
1	Commission shall be entitled to receive travel expenses and
12	per diem at standard Trust Territory rates while on the
.3	business of the Commission or committee thereof, chargeable
4	to the funds of the Commission."
15	Section 4. Section 13 of Public Law No. 6-87, as amended, is hereby
.6	repealed in its entirety and a new Section 13 is added to read as follows:
7	"Section 13. The Commission shall submit to the Congress and
18	the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, on or
9	before October 1, 1979, a comprehensive written report on its
20	activities to date. Thereafter it shall submit reports of
21	its activities to the Congress and the President, on or before
22	May 10 of each succeeding year and at such other times and
23	intervals as it may deem necessary or as the Congress or the
24	President of the Federated States of Micronesia may require."
25	Section 5. This act shall become law upon approval by the

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