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C. B. No. 2-5

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To repeal the Trust Territory Environmental Quality Protection Act in order that environmental protection be a State matter; and for other purposes.

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

- 1 Section 1. Policy. The Trust Territory Environmental Quality
- 2 Protection Act was enacted under the Trust Territory's unified system
- 3 of government which placed control of environmental protection in the
- 4 Office of the High Commissioner. The Constitution of the Federated
- 5 States of Micronesia provides a dual system of government under which
- 6 the autonomy of the States is guaranteed. The Congress believes that
- 7 environmental protection is not a matter for National Government
- 8 regulation, but instead is a local concern which each individual State
- 9 may regulate according to its own particular needs. The Congress
- 10 finds that the existing environment act is in conflict with the spirit
- 11 and intent of the Constitution and National policy and should, therefore,
- 12 be repealed so that the States may be the judges of their own needs
- 13 in this area.
- Section 2. Repealer. The Trust Territory Environmental Quality
- 15 Protection Act, Public Law No. 4C-78, § 1, 63 TTC § § 501-510, is hereby
- 16 repealed in its entirety.
- 17 Section 3. Effective date. This act shall become law upon approval
- 18 by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
- 19 becoming law without such approval.

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21 Date: 16 19 3

Introduced by:

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