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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 50 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 4-25, by amending sections 103 and 104 to impose a moratorium on the entry of alien workers into the Federated States of Micronesia, and for other purposes.

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

1       Section 1. The purpose of this act is to impose a moratorium on  
2 the further influx of noncitizen workers, in both the public and  
3 private sectors, to allow the Federated States of Micronesia flexi-  
4 bility in the planning of economic and educational programs. The  
5 impending Compact of Free Association makes it imperative that our  
6 Nation end its dependency on expensive noncitizen workers and plan  
7 for and develop the resources of the people of the Federated States of  
8 Micronesia.

9       Section 2. Section 103 of title 50 of the Code of the Federated  
10 States of Micronesia is hereby amended to read as follows:

11               "Section 103. Entry permits - Types.

12               (1) A permit is not required for a person visiting for  
13 thirty days or less. For a visit in excess of thirty days  
14 a permit may be issued for an additional period not to exceed  
15 sixty days.

16               (2) A visitor's permit for any lawful purpose,  
17 including performance of necessary services on a short-term  
18 contractual basis, may be issued for a period of specified  
19 duration reflecting the time necessary to accomplish the  
20 purpose.

21               (3) An alien worker's permit shall be issued to a non-  
22 citizen entering the Federated States of Micronesia upon  
23 compliance with all National laws relating to private or  
24 governmental employment for the period in which the employ-  
25 ment of the alien worker is authorized by contract. The

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1 permit shall be renewed upon extension or renewal of the  
2 alien's lawful employment status. No alien workers' permits  
3 shall be issued or renewed for the period of January 1, 1987  
4 through December 31, 1987.

5 (4) A foreign investor's entry permit shall be issued  
6 for a specified duration and may be renewed upon renewal or  
7 extension of such foreign investor's business permit.

8 (5) A researcher's entry permit shall be issued for re-  
9 search in the fields of endeavor that the President deems in  
10 the best interest of and for the well-being of the citizens  
11 of the Federated States of Micronesia; provided that the  
12 President receives from the researcher's intended place of  
13 stay prior permission for his entry. The President may  
14 attach thereto such conditions or restrictions as he deems  
15 necessary.

16 (6) A missionary's permit shall be issued to a duly  
17 ordained, licensed, and certified minister or clergyman.  
18 A missionary's permit may also be issued to persons whose  
19 activities are substantially connected with religious or  
20 missionary work as determined by the President.

21 (7) An entry permit shall be issued to a lawful spouse  
22 of a citizen. The permit shall be revoked or shall be denied  
23 upon a finding that the parties are divorced or irreconcil-  
24 ably separated, or that the citizen-spouse is deceased. The  
25 President or his designee has the authority to grant or

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1 reissue the permit for indefinite duration upon a finding of  
2 hardship.

3 (8) A dependent's entry permit may be issued to an  
4 unmarried child, under the age of eighteen, or a noncitizen  
5 spouse subject to the conditions in subsection (7) of this  
6 section.

7 (9) A spouse or unmarried child under the age of  
8 eighteen of any noncitizen principal listed in this section  
9 except subsection (8) may be issued an entry permit for the  
10 duration of the principal's entry permit and may be renewed  
11 upon renewal of the principal's entry permit."

12 Section 3. Section 104 of title 50 of the Code of the Federated  
13 States of Micronesia is hereby amended to read as follows:

14 "Section 104. Entry permits - Duration; Change of status.

15 (1) Unless otherwise specified, all entry permits are  
16 limited to one year maximum period with provision for  
17 renewal. Entry permits issued to employees of the State or  
18 National Government, or to alien workers in the private  
19 sector, shall not be renewable during the period of  
20 January 1, 1987 through December 31, 1987.

21 (2) The immigration status of any noncitizen entering  
22 or residing in the Federated States of Micronesia may not be  
23 changed during his stay in the Federated States of Micronesia  
24 except upon written authorization by the President or his  
25 designee. For the noncitizen to change status, he shall be

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1           required to leave the jurisdiction of the Federated States of  
2           Micronesia and upon re-entry apply for a permit reflecting  
3           his changed status. The President may impose conditions for  
4           such change of status."

5           Section 4. This act shall become law upon approval by the  
6           President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming  
7           law without such approval.

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9   Date: 10-27-80

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