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SIXTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 1989

c. B. No. 6-110

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend title 40 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia by amending section 242 to raise the age of mandatory attendance for children at public or nonpublic schools, and for other purposes.

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

- Section 1. Section 242 of title 40 of the Code of the Federated
- 2 States of Micronesia is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 "Section 242. Attendance.
 - (1) Attendance at a public or nonpublic school shall be required of all children between the ages of *i** eight and fourteen inclusive, or until graduation from elementary school, unless excluded from school or excepted from attendance by the district director of education. Any parent, guardian, or other person having responsibility for or care of a child may have that child placed in school at an earlier age provided that child has attained the age of six on or before September 30 of the year involved.

 For the purpose of beginning mandatory attendance at school, a child shall be admitted at the beginning of a school year if he has attained the age of *ix* eight on or before September 30 of the year involved.
 - (2) Any parent, guardian, and other person having the responsibility for or care of a child whose attendance at school is obligatory shall send the child to school. Any parent, guardian, or other person who permits a child who is under his control to be absent from school without good cause and in violation of applicable law or regulations shall be guilty of a violation of this section and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than ten dollars, or imprisoned not more than one month, or both."

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1	Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the
2	President of the Federated States of Micronesla or upon its becoming
3	law without such approval.
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