A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 2 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by further amending section 207, as amended by Public Law No. 5-2, 5-50, 7-6, 7-91 and 9-128, thereof for the purpose of changing the terms of the President's appointment authority and to require the consent of Congress for the removal of the Attorney General, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 207 of title 2 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 5-2, 5-50, 7-6, 7-91 and 9-128, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 207. Appointment authority.

(1) The President shall nominate and, with the advice and consent of the Congress, as provided in article X, section 2(d), of the Constitution, shall appoint the Secretaries of departments and their deputies, if any, and the heads of the offices of the Attorney General, Budget, Planning and Statistics, Administrative Services, and the Public Defender, and their deputies, if any, including the secretaries, deputies, and heads of departments and offices established by subsequent law; and including the chairman and the members of the Board of Advisors for the Investment Development Fund to be appointed by the President; and including the Federated States of Micronesia members of the Board of Regents of the College of Micronesia; and including the Federated States of Micronesia's deputy ambassadors (assistants to the ambassadors) and consul generals; provided that nothing herein shall be construed to require the appointment of the deputies and deputy ambassadors (assistants to the ambassadors) and consul generals named above.

(2) The President or his or her designee may appoint officers and employees not included in subsection (1) of this section, without advice and consent of the Congress; provided that such appointments are not inconsistent with the provisions of
this chapter or other laws of the Federated States of Micronesia.

(3) The President shall not resubmit the nomination of any person to the Congress for its action if the same Congress shall have previously rejected such nomination, unless the Congress shall by resolution authorize such resubmission.

(4) With the exception of the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, the Public Auditor, ambassadors, members of boards, commissions, and other entities with fixed terms, a public official whose appointment is subject to the advice and consent of the Congress shall submit his or her resignation no later than 30 days after the adjournment of the Congress, whichever is earlier. The President may renominate the same public official for the same position subject to the advice and consent of the Congress.

(5) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, the President may not remove a sitting Attorney General from office, except with the consent by resolution of two-thirds of Congress.
Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of
the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such
approval.

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