A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 9 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by amending section 805 to prohibit campaigning and the distribution of things of value within certain distances of places where and between certain times when voting is conducted on a national election day, to prohibit the distribution of alcohol while the polls are open on a national election day, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 805 of title 9 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 805. Campaigning and alcoholic beverages at polling places.

No campaigning shall be conducted and no candidate shall be allowed on a national election day within 300 feet of a building or other place where voting is conducted and, if the building or other place of voting has a walkway, path, or other commonly traveled way from its entrance that intersects with a road, public right of way, or other commonly traveled way that people traverse to get to its location, within three hundred feet of that intersection on election day and no alcoholic beverages shall be sold or otherwise provided to any person during election day while for one hour before the polls are open and until one hour after the polls are closed. No candidate shall be allowed within one hundred feet of any ballot box except for the purpose of a candidate casting his ballot. There shall be no campaigning over any State broadcast station on election day.

No candidate or any person who has or is known to be campaigning on behalf of a candidate shall distribute any food, drink, cigarettes, betel nut, sakau, alcoholic beverage, clothing, toy, or other thing or service within the same distance and time limitations as set forth above in which campaigning is prohibited.

No alcoholic beverages shall be sold or otherwise provided to any
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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