TENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 1998
C.B. NO. 10-308

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend title 55 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by amending sections 802 and 803, as enacted by Public Law No. 10-109, to change the quorum requirements for the Chuuk State Commission on Improvement Projects and to clarify the commission's authority; and for other purposes.

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

1. Section 802 of title 55, as enacted by Public Law No. 10-109, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 802. Commission - Organization; Quorum.

The commission shall meet to organize itself and to select a chairman and a vice chairman. The presence of a majority of the representatives from [each of] the five election districts shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. Meetings shall be conducted according to bylaws adopted by the members. The chairman will have the authority to vote at a meeting only in order to break a tie."

2. Section 803 of title 55, as enacted by Public Law No. 10-109, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 803. Commission - Authority. The commission shall have the authority to:

(1) obligate funds appropriated and allotted to the commission by the Congress for projects in Chuuk;

(2) award and enter into contracts for projects, giving priority to bids by Micronesian citizens or corporations qualified and capable of performing fully and without delay such projects;

(3) assess damage to private property caused by projects and negotiate written settlements on amounts of compensation, such written settlements to be treated as obligations for purposes of the Financial Management
Act of 1979;

(4) establish priorities for the performance of projects, ensuring that each district is treated as equally as possible;

(5) submit all reports required by applicable law, including, but not limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979

(6) appoint an executive director, who may carry out such duties of the commission as the commission deems advisable; the commission may authorize the executive director to hire staff.'

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

Date: 10-11-98  Introduced by: Roosevelt D. Kansou