A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 12 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by amending section 1201 to remove references to "major" crimes, and by adding a new section 1204 to require regulations implementing joint law enforcement agreements, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 1201 of title 12 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as enacted by Public Law No. 1-126, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1201. Definitions.

(1) 'Law enforcement function' means any duty, responsibility, authority, or discretion in connection with enforcement of the criminal laws of the Federated States of Micronesia which, under the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia and National laws, is vested in the executive branch of the National Government.

(2) 'National offense' means an offense defined by the National Criminal Code criminal laws of the Federated States of Micronesia or a major crime contained in other applicable National laws."

Section 2. Chapter 12 of title 12 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, is hereby amended by adding a new section 1204 to read as follows:

"Section 1204. Regulations. The Secretary of Justice,
after consultation with each State's Attorney General,
shall issue written regulations implementing the
provisions of this chapter and the joint law enforcement
agreements referred to in section 1203 of this chapter.
Such regulations shall be issued pursuant to the
provisions of section 102(1) of title 17 of the Code of
the Federated States of Micronesia."

Section 3. The regulations required under section 2 of this
act shall be issued within 120 days of this act becoming law.

Section 4. 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: 6/24/02   Introduced by: /s/ Dohsis Halbert
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