A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 51 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by amending section 142 to correct engrossing errors, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 142 of title 51 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 12-65, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 142. Change of employment.

(1) A nonresident worker who is under a labor contract with an employer shall not change his employer during the term of such contract, except in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(2) Before a nonresident worker can work for or be employed by an employer different than his previous employer, he shall first be required to apply for a permit reflecting his change of employment and pay a fee, except that citizens and nationals of the United States, for the duration of the Compact of Free Association, and citizens and nationals of the Republic of the Marshall Islands or the Republic of Palau shall not be required to pay a fee.

(3) The amount of the fee required by subsection (b) of this section, which shall not be less than $1,000,
and the circumstances under which a change of employment status may be granted shall be set forth in regulations issued pursuant to section 102(1) of title 17 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia. Fees collected as a result of this section shall be deposited into the fund established by section 113 of title 50 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia."

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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