A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 4 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by amending section 104, concerning temporary justices, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 104 of title 4 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 7-30, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 104. Special assignments.

The Chief Justice may give special assignment pursuant to article XI, section 9(b) of the Constitution. In the case of temporary Justices appointed pursuant to this authority:

(1) The person appointed shall meet the qualifications of section 107 of this chapter.

(2) [The Congress may by resolution disapprove of the continued service of any temporary Justice whose cumulative service exceeds three months, and the disapproved person shall thereafter be ineligible for further service as a temporary Justice for one year, unless the Congress shall sooner revoke its disapproval.] Duration of appointment.

(a) A temporary Justice may be appointed to serve on a particular matter or for a definite period of time not to exceed 6 consecutive months.
(b) If appointed to serve on a particular matter, the temporary Justice may serve for the duration of the matter or 12 consecutive months, whichever is less, and may not be appointed to serve on any other matter during that time.

(3) The Chief Justice shall give written notice to the President and the Congress upon the appointment of any temporary Justice."

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.

Date: __5/11/04____  Introduced by: /s/ Peter M. Christian____

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