



*The President*  
*Palikir, Pohnpei*  
*Federated States of Micronesia*

**PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 16-132**  
**FSM CONGRESS**

December 11, 2009

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir  
Speaker  
16<sup>th</sup> FSM Congress  
Palikir, Pohnpei State, FM 96941

Dear Speaker Figir:

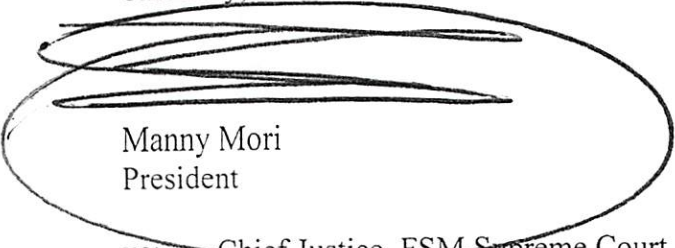
I am pleased to inform you that I have designated the following Congressional Act as Public Law No. 16-17:

Congressional Act No. 16-17, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 37 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA BY INCLUDING A DEFINITION OF A NEW CLASS 3 MULTIPLE CORPORATE CAPTIVE INSURANCE COMPANIES AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CAPTIVE INSURANCE MANAGING LICENSES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I take this opportunity to thank you and all the honorable members of Congress for the immediate passage of the Act. This Act paves the way for the formation and licensing of a new type of captives called Multiple Corporate Captive Insurance Companies (MCC). This will be another opportunity for FSM to reap the anticipated substantial revenue from the captive insurance program that both our branches of government have continued to diligently work hard to progress and succeed.

With warm regards, I remain,

Sincerely,

  
Manny Mori  
President

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court  
Secretary, Department of Justice  
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**PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 16-132**  
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December 08, 2009



His Excellency Manny Mori  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Mori:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 16-17, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 37 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA BY INCLUDING A DEFINITION OF A NEW CLASS 3 MULTIPLE CORPORATE CAPTIVE INSURANCE COMPANIES AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CAPTIVE INSURANCE MANAGING LICENSES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Sixteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia; Second Special Session, 2009, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

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Liwiana K. Ramon  
Chief Clerk, Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures





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SIXTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE  
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA  
SECOND SPECIAL SESSION  
NOVEMBER 30 – DECEMBER 9, 2009

PUBLIC LAW No. 16-17

## An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 37 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA BY INCLUDING A DEFINITION OF A NEW CLASS 3 MULTIPLE CORPORATE CAPTIVE INSURANCE COMPANIES AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CAPTIVE INSURANCE MANAGING LICENSES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: JOE N. SUKA

DATE: SEPTEMBER 19, 2009

REFERRED TO: RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
S.C.R. NO. 16-49 – DECEMBER 5, 2009

FIRST READING: DECEMBER 7, 2009

SECOND READING: DECEMBER 8, 2009

Liwiana K. Ramon  
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress





Office of the Speaker

*Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia*

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**PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 16-132**  
**FSM CONGRESS**

ACT NO. 16-17

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 16-48)

We hereby certify that on December 8 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Sixteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Special Session, 2009, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

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Isaac V. Figir  
Speaker  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

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Liwiana K. Ramon  
Chief Clerk  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

1 or corporation registered and in good standing with the  
2 Federated States of Micronesia, operating in or from  
3 within the Federated States of Micronesia who, not being  
4 a bona fide employee of the captive insurance company,  
5 maintains for the captive insurance company full and  
6 proper records of the business activities of the captive  
7 insurance company.

8 (11) 'Unaffiliated business' means any company:

9 (a) That is not in the corporate system of a  
10 parent and affiliated companies;

11 (b) That has an existing contractual  
12 relationship with a parent or affiliated company; and

13 (c) Whose risks are managed by a captive  
14 insurance company in accordance with this chapter.

15 (12) 'Related Third-Party Business' means any company  
16 or other legal entity:

17 (a) That is not in the corporate system of a  
18 parent and affiliated companies;

19 (b) That has an existing contractual  
20 relationship with a parent or affiliated company; and

21 (c) Whose risks are managed by a captive  
22 insurance company in accordance with this chapter.

23 (13) 'Multiple Corporate Captive Insurance Companies'  
24 or 'MCC' means one or more corporations organized, or  
25 with the intent to organize, as a group of corporate

1 captive insurance companies under the laws of the  
2 Federated States of Micronesia:

3 (a) where each member captive insurance company  
4 is formed and owned by a different parent company for  
5 the purpose of insuring risks of its parent company or  
6 related third party businesses respectively; and

7 (b) where all member captive insurance companies  
8 are together deemed to constitute a group under the laws  
9 of the Federated States of Micronesia subject to the  
10 following condition:

11 (i) the core member captive insurance  
12 company shall hold 5% or more of the shares of each of  
13 the other member captive insurance companies;

14 (ii) each member captive insurance company  
15 shall permit one or more directors from the core member  
16 captive insurance company on its board of directors;

17 (iii) a core member captive insurance company  
18 must maintain a minimum paid in capital and surplus of  
19 at least \$1,000,000; and

20 (iv) each member captive insurance company  
21 must maintain a minimum paid in capital and surplus of  
22 at least \$100,000.

23 (c) Each member captive insurance company making  
24 up an MCC is deemed an individual captive insurance  
25 company for purposes of the laws of the Federated States

1 of Micronesia.

2 (d) The license issued to the core member  
3 captive insurance company meeting the capital  
4 requirements of subsection (13)(b)(iii) above shall  
5 precede issuance of licenses to any of the member  
6 captive insurance companies meeting the capital  
7 requirements of subsection (13)(b)(iv) above."

8 Section 2. Section 1002 of title 37 of the Code of the  
9 Federated States of Micronesia as enacted by Public Law No. 14-88  
10 and amended by Public Law No. 15-34, is hereby amended to read as  
11 follows:

12 "Section 1002. Determination of class of captive  
13 insurance companies. Each captive insurance company  
14 formed under this chapter shall be designated and  
15 licensed as one of the following classes of captive  
16 insurance companies.

17 (1) A class 1 company shall be a captive insurance  
18 company that insures the risks of its parent and  
19 affiliated companies or associations;

20 (2) A class 2 company shall be a captive insurance  
21 company that insures the risks of its parent and  
22 affiliated companies or associations and/or related  
23 third-party businesses;

24 (3) A class 3 company shall be a captive insurance  
25 company that constitutes part of a Multiple Corporate



1 representative;

2 (i) the principal office shall maintain a  
3 principal place of business within the Federated States  
4 of Micronesia;

5 (ii) appoint a principal representative that  
6 shall be approved by the Commissioner;

7 (iii) hold an annual board of directors  
8 meeting in the Federated States of Micronesia. In  
9 meeting the quorum requirements for this annual board  
10 meeting, only the principal representative is required  
11 to be physically present in the Federated States of  
12 Micronesia. The remainder of the quorum may be present  
13 via telephone;

14 (iv) the captive insurance company shall  
15 maintain in its principal office accurate documents in  
16 English of the insurance business and accounting for  
17 examination by the Commissioner.

18 (b) Application documents: the captive  
19 insurance company shall file the following documents  
20 with its application for an insurance license with the  
21 Commissioner and Insurance Board:

22 (i) the amount and liquidity of its assets  
23 relative to the risks to be assumed;

24 (ii) the adequacy of the expertise,  
25 experience, and character of the person or persons who



1 will manage it;

2 (iii) the overall soundness of its plan of  
3 operation;

4 (iv) the adequacy of the loss prevention  
5 programs of its insured; and

6 (v) such other factors deemed relevant by  
7 the Commissioner in ascertaining whether the proposed  
8 captive insurance company will be able to meet its  
9 policy obligations.

10 (3) Each captive insurance company shall pay to the  
11 Insurance Board a nonrefundable fee of \$500 for  
12 examining, investigating, and processing its application  
13 for licensing, and the Commissioner is authorized to  
14 retain legal, financial and examination services, the  
15 reasonable cost of which may be charged against the  
16 applicant. In addition each captive insurance company  
17 shall pay a license fee for the year or registration and  
18 a renewal fee each year thereafter of \$500.

19 (4) If the Insurance Board is satisfied that the  
20 documents filed by the captive insurance company comply  
21 with this title, the Commissioner may grant a license  
22 authorizing it to transact business in the Federated  
23 States of Micronesia until March 31, of the year of  
24 application at which time the license may be renewed.

25 (5) No captive insurance company licensed under this

1 chapter shall be allowed to insure the risks of  
2 individual citizens of the Federated States of  
3 Micronesia.

4 (6) The Insurance Commissioner or Insurance Board is  
5 authorized to issue a captive insurance manager's  
6 license, which may be signed by the Insurance  
7 Commissioner's or Insurance Board's authorized designee,  
8 and shall issue the same to any applicant that:

9 (a) has in its bona fide employment a person who  
10 is a current member in good standing of an accounting or  
11 insurance related professional body or association; or,

12 (b) has in its bona fide employment a person  
13 that has minimum of five years experience in the captive  
14 management field.

15 (7) The applicant shall be issued a captive insurance  
16 manager's license by the Insurance Commissioner or the  
17 Insurance Board upon compliance with subsection (6)  
18 above without regard to:

19 (a) whether the applicant has or has not applied  
20 for a license with a captive insurance company; or,

21 (b) whether the applicant is or is not currently  
22 managing a domestic captive insurance company.

23 (8) The captive insurance manager's license grants  
24 the captive insurance manager the authority to work with  
25 or manage:

1 (a) any person or entity intending to form a  
2 captive insurance company in the Federated States of  
3 Micronesia; or,

4 (b) any domestic captive insurance company  
5 licensed by the Insurance Board.

6 (9) The captive insurance manager's license shall be  
7 effective for a period of five years from the date of  
8 issuance."

9 Section 4. Section 1007 of title 37 of the Code of the  
10 Federated States of Micronesia, as enacted by Public Law No. 14-88  
11 and amended by Public Law No. 15-34, is hereby further amended to  
12 read as follows:

13 "Section 1007. Minimum Capital and Surplus  
14 Requirements:

15 (1) No captive insurance company shall be registered  
16 and issued a license unless it has initial paid-in  
17 capital of \$1,000,000 and thereafter maintains a minimum  
18 capital and surplus of \$100,000; provided however with  
19 respect to multiple corporate captive insurance  
20 companies the core member captive insurance company  
21 shall maintain a minimum paid in capital and surplus of  
22 \$1,000,000 and each member corporate captive insurance  
23 company shall maintain a minimum paid in capital and  
24 surplus of \$100,000.

25 (2) The Commissioner may prescribe additional capital



1           and surplus based upon the type, volume, and nature of  
2           insurance business transacted.

3           (3) Capital and surplus may be in the form of any  
4           combination of the following:

5                   (a) cash

6                   (b) letter of credit,

7                   (c) investments pursuant to section 1013 of this  
8           chapter, or

9                   (d) any other security deemed appropriated by  
10          the Commissioner."

11          Section 5. Section 1010 of title 37 of the Code of the  
12          Federated States of Micronesia, as enacted by Public Law No. 14-  
13          88, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

14          "Section 1010. Reports and Statements.

15               (1) Captive insurance companies shall not be required  
16               to make any annual report or filings except as provided  
17               in this chapter.

18               (2) Captive insurance companies shall submit to the  
19               Commissioner and Insurance Board the following within  
20               six months of the companies fiscal year-end:

21                   (a) A report of its financial condition verified  
22               by oath of two of its executive officers;

23                   (b) Audited financial statements prepared  
24               according to generally accepted accounting principles or  
25               international accounting standards, unless the

1 Commissioner and Insurance Board approves any  
2 appropriate or necessary modifications or changes  
3 thereof required or approved or accepted by the  
4 Commissioner and Insurance Board for the type of  
5 insurance and kinds of insurers to be reported upon, and  
6 as supplemented by additional information required by  
7 the Commissioner and Insurance Board. The audited  
8 financial statements shall be completed by a person  
9 approved by the Commissioner and Insurance Board who  
10 qualifies as an accountant by examination of one of the  
11 Institutes of Chartered Accountants, or Japanese  
12 Institute of Certified Public Accountants, or American  
13 Institute of Certified Public Accountants, or other  
14 qualified accountant as recognized by the Commissioner  
15 and Insurance Board;

16 (c) Opinion of loss reserve specialist,  
17 regarding reserves for the insurance business  
18 underwritten by the captive insurance company. The  
19 opinion of loss reserves shall be completed by a person  
20 approved by the Commissioner and Insurance Board who is  
21 a member of the Institute of Actuaries, or the Institute  
22 of Actuaries of Japan, or the American Academy of  
23 Actuaries, or other qualified loss reserve specialist  
24 recognized by the Commissioner and Insurance Board;

25 (d) Any additional reports as prescribed and

1 requested by the Commissioner and Insurance Board.

2 (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this  
3 section, in the case of Multiple Corporate Captive  
4 Insurance Companies, the core member captive insurance  
5 company shall provide the reports, financial statements  
6 and opinions required by subsections (2)(a), (b), (c)  
7 and (d) above with respect to itself and its members  
8 shall not be required to separately report, provide  
9 financial statements or opinion."

10 Section 6. This act shall become law upon approval by the  
11 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its  
12 becoming law without such approval.

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21 Manny Mori  
22 President  
23 Federated States of Micronesia  
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