A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend section 221 of title 54 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as enacted by P.L. No. 9-139 and amended by P.L. No. 13-60, to change the import duties applicable to certain products, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 221 of title 54 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia as enacted by Public Law No. 9-139, and amended by Public Law No. 13-60, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 221. Levy and rates.

The following import duties are hereby levied on all products specified herein which are imported into the FSM:

(1) cigarettes, at the rate of [0.025] $0.050 per cigarette, provided that this rate shall increase by $0.005 per cigarette on January 1 of each of the years 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013 and 2015;

(2) tobacco, other than cigarettes, at the rate of fifty percent ad valorem;

(3) perfumery[,] and cosmetics [, and toiletries,] including cologne and other toilet waters, articles of perfumery, whether in sachets or otherwise, and all preparations used as applications to the hair or skin,
lipsticks, pomades, powders, and other [toilet] cosmetic preparations not having medicinal properties, at the rate of twenty five percent ad valorem;

(4) soft drinks and packaged chips of all kinds [drink mixes, drink preparations, coffee, tea, and nonalcoholic beverages_] at the rate of twenty five percent ad valorem, provided, however, that any beverage having a fruit juice content of twenty five percent or more by volume shall be at the rate of three percent ad valorem;

(5) beer and malt beverages, at the rate of $0.25 per 12 fluid ounces;

(6) distilled alcoholic beverages and wine, at the rate of twelve dollars per gallon;

(7) wine at the rate of thirty percent ad valorem;

(8) foodstuffs for human consumption, at the rate of [three] five percent ad valorem; provided, however, that fresh and frozen fish and seafood, and bottled water shall be at the rate of twenty five percent ad valorem;

(8) gasoline and diesel fuel, at the rate of five cents per gallon;

(9) laundry bar soap[, and hygienic toiletries including bath soaps, deodorants, dental products, tooth
paste and mouthwash at the rate of twenty five percent
ad valorem; and

(10) [11] all other imported products, except those
specified above, at the rate of [four] five percent ad
valorem."

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: 2/5/10                  Introduced by: /s/ Peter M. Christian

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