## EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 2013

C.B. NO. 18-99

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend section 1006 of title 53 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, in order to provide greater diversity in investments for the Federated States of Micronesia Social Security Retirement Fund by allowing investments denominated or to be paid in currencies other than the United States dollars, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 1006 of title 53 of the Code of the 1 2 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, is hereby amended to 3 read as follows: "Section 1006. Authorized investments. 4 Investments may be made in: 5 (1) Government obligations. Obligations issued or 6 7 guaranteed as to principal and interest by the National Government and/or the State governments of the Federated 8 9 States of Micronesia or by the government of the United 10 States, or any state, territory or commonwealth thereof, 11 or obligations of any other government or economic 12 community, whether denominated in [PROVIDED that the 13 principal interest on each obligation are payable in the 14 currency of the] United States dollars or any other 15 currency.

16 (2) Corporate obligations and mortgage backed17 securities. Obligations of any public or private entity

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corporation created or existing under the laws of the 1 Federated States of Micronesia or of the United States 2 3 or any state, territory or commonwealth thereof, or 4 obligations or any other government or economic 5 community [which are payable in United States dollars], or pass through and other mortgaged backed securities, 6 7 provided that: (a) The obligation is on an agency of the United 8 9 States Government, or 10 (b) The obligation is of an agency of the Federated States of Micronesia Government, or 11 12 (c) The obligation is investment grade rated by one of two nationally recognized rating agencies; and 13 14 (d) No investment under this heading exceeds ten percent of the market value of the Fund or ten percent 15 of the outstanding value of the issue at the time of 16 17 purchase. 18 (e) Preferred and common stocks of any 19 corporation created or existing under the laws of the Federated States of Micronesia or under the laws of the 20 21 United States or any state, territory or commonwealth 22 thereof, or any other nation, may be purchased, provided 23 that: 24 (i) The purchase of such shares shall be 25 considered reasonable and prudent by the investment

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1 advisor at that time of purchase; 2 (ii) Not more than five percent of the market 3 value of the Fund shall be invested in the stock of any 4 one corporation; and 5 (iii) Not more than twenty five percent of the market value of the Fund shall be invested in any one 6 7 industry group. (iv) Such shares are readily marketable and 8 9 actively traded on a recognized national or regional 10 stock exchange, physical or electronic. 11 (3) Insurance company obligations. Contracts and 12 agreements supplemental thereto providing for 13 participation in one or more accounts or a life 14 insurance company authorized to do business in the Federated States of Micronesia or in any state, 15 16 territory or commonwealth of the United States, provided 17 that the total market value of these investments at no 18 time shall exceed ten percent of the total market value 19 of all investment of the Fund." 20 Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the 21 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its 22 becoming law without such approval. 23 24 Date: 11/26/13 Introduced by: for /s/ Joseph J. Urusemal Florencio S. Harper 25 (by request)