



*The President*

*Palikir, Pohnpei*  
*Federated States of Micronesia*

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18226  
FSM CONGRESS

February 18, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert  
Speaker  
Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941



Dear Speaker Halbert:

I am returning the following Congressional Acts, which will become law without my signature:

Public Law No. 18-44, as Congressional Act No. 18-42: "AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-11, BY AMENDING SECTION 1 AND 2 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND THE ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

Public Law No. 18-45, as Congressional Act No. 18-47: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-49, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-68, 16-76, 17-06, 17-10, 17-23, 17-30, 17-32, 17-45, 17-82, 17-85 AND 18-28, BY AMENDING SECTION 5 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-46, as Congressional Act No. 18-49: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-71, 17-81, 17-84, 17-89, 17-90, 18-03, 18-10, 18-13, AND 18-32, BY AMENDING SECTION 4 THEREIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-47, as Congressional Act No. 18-50: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 1 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-18, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-24, 16-32, 16-39, 16-45, 16-54, 16-67, 17-04, 17-14, 17-26, 17-39, 17-65 AND 18-27, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECT AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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The reasons I am not affirmatively approving of these acts by signing them into law is because of the following troubling characteristics:

1. There were no public hearings or committee reports, as had been formally discussed would be the case.
2. There had been multiple amendments to the original appropriations that resulted in confusion as to the true intentions of Congress for the public projects and programs, and have created extreme difficulties in implementation of the projects and programs, such as tracking the multiple changes.
3. Changes of recipients and purposes with no clear justification or reasoning.
4. No clear eligibility criteria for appropriation recipients.
5. Unclear linkage as to how recipients' use of appropriations will lead to overall, sustained economic development for the country.

As previously suggested, it would be helpful to set a policy to limit up to three the number of amendments per Act in order to avoid the problems as outlined above. And I again urge that in the future public hearings are held and committee reports issue, in order to assure transparency in the process.

With warm personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely,

  
Manny Mori  
President

Enclosures:

Xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court  
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February 05, 2014

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. 18-49, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-71, 17-81, 17-84, 17-89, 17-90, 18-03, 18-10, 18-13, AND 18-32, BY AMENDING SECTION 4 THEREIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2014, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk, Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



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EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE  
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA  
THIRD REGULAR SESSION  
JANUARY 10 – FEBRUARY 01, 2014

PUBLIC LAW No. 18-46

## An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-71, 17-81, 17-84, 17-89, 17-90, 18-03, 18-10, 18-13, AND 18-32, BY AMENDING SECTION 4 THEREIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: PETER M. CHRISTIAN

DATE: JANUARY 17, 2014

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

WITHDRAWN – JANUARY 29, 2014

FIRST READING: JANUARY 29, 2014

SECOND READING: JANUARY 30, 2014

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Liwiana Ramon Ioanis".

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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ACT NO. 18-49

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-122, C.D.1, C.D.2)

We hereby certify that on January 30 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2014, 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.

  
Dohsis Halbert  
Speaker  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

  
Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

THIRD REGULAR SESSION, 2014 CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-122, C.D.1, C.D.2

PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-46

AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 17-68, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 17-71, 17-81, 17-84, 17-89, 17-90, 18-03, 18-10, 18-13, and 18-32, by amending section 4 therein, for the purpose of changing the use of certain funds previously appropriated to fund public projects and social programs in the State of Pohnpei, and for other purposes.

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

1           Section 1. Section 4 of Public Law No. 17-68, as amended by  
2 Public Laws Nos. 17-71, 17-84, and 18-32, is hereby further  
3 amended to read as follows:

4           "Section 4. Of the sum of \$5,697,383 appropriated by  
5 this act, \$219,116 is apportioned to pay the amount  
6 owed by the State of Pohnpei to FEMA and \$1,200,000  
7 is apportioned for public projects and social  
8 programs in the State of Pohnpei.

9           (1) Amount owed by the State of Pohnpei to  
10 FEMA .....\$           219,116

11           (2) State of Pohnpei..... 1,200,000

12           (a) At-Large..... 300,000

13           (i) Pohnpei Road Improvement

14           (material purchase, transportation and  
15 equipment rental, tools, etc) ..... 85,000

16           (ii) Payment of asphalt plant conveyor

17 belt account by PTA to Ace Ocean company ... 15,000

18           (iii) Mountain trails (labor,

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1	tools, equipment) .....	\$ 10,000
2	(iv) Waterways/channels	
3	improvement (labor, POL, tools, equipment) .	10,000
4	(v) Pohnpei Outer Islands	
5	transportation needs (charter costs, fuel,	
6	channel clearing, boat and outdoor motor	
7	purchase) .....	35,000
8	(vi) Aid to non-public high schools	20,000
9	(vii) Pohnpei Sports facilities	
10	Improvement (materials purchase, equipment	
11	rental and labor) .....	50,000
12	(viii) Historical sites	
13	restoration/maintenance .....	15,000
14	(ix) Traditional leaders	
15	conference and travel needs .....	20,664
16	(x) Civic leaders' FSM	
17	State visit .....	24,336
18	(xi) Purchase of vehicle for U	
19	Municipal government .....	15,000
20	(b) Election District No. 1 .....	300,000
21	(i) Road improvement-	
22	Kolonia .....	35,298
23	(ii) Other road improvements	100,000
24	(iii) COM-FSM students'	
25	outstanding debt payment .....	22,000

1	(iv) St. Paul school subsidy	\$ 8,000
2	(v) Social Security premium	
3	contribution .....	15,000
4	(vi) Classroom upgrade	
5	(Palikir school) .....	12,000
6	(vii) Medical referrals (travel)	10,000
7	(viii) Need Assessment/monitoring-	
8	Election District No. 1 .....	43,000
9	(ix) Calvary Baptist classroom	
10	completion .....	54,702
11	(c) Election District No. 2 .....	300,000
12	(i) Akahk/Enipoas road .....	15,000
13	(ii) Rohi water system road .....	15,000
14	(iii) Metipw/Dolopwail road .....	10,000
15	(iv) Nan Woalin Pahloang road ...	15,000
16	(v) Pwoai Pwoai water system road	15,000
17	(vi) Temwen/Poasihloa road paving	30,000
18	(vii) Toamwaoroahlong water	
19	system improvement .....	7,380
20	(viii) Sapwalapw water	
21	system improvement .....	5,000
22	(ix) Pwok water system improvement	10,000
23	(x) Students financial assistance	15,000
24	(xi) High School Cooks (Madolenihmw	
25	High school/Nanpei Memorial High School) ...	4,300

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1	(xii) Police Vehicle supplemental	\$ 8,000
2	(xiii) Youth activities .....	7,500
3	(xiv) Women's activities/programs	7,500
4	(xv) Alekot Power extension .....	20,000
5	(xvi) Takaieu/Madolenihmw	
6	Power extension .....	20,000
7	(xvii) Coral materials .....	7,500
8	(xviii) ED#2 subsidy (administrative	
9	support and other current expenses) .....	30,000
10	(xix) Agriculture Fair	
11	(Madolenihmw/Kitti) .....	5,000
12	(xx) PVC materials .....	5,000
13	(xxi) Hydraulic Trailer	
14	mounted rig & accessories .....	15,000
15	(xxii) Box culvert/bridge .....	15,000
16	(xxiii) Pohnlangas track and	
17	field upgrade .....	5,000
18	(xxiv) Sports facilities upgrade ..	5,000
19	(xxv) Police vehicle supplement ..	5,000
20	(xxvi) Kipar, Kitti road upgrade ..	2,820
21	(d) Election District No. 3 .....	300,000
22	(i) Women Associations'	
23	activities and equipment .....	15,000
24	(ii) Youth Associations	
25	activities and sporting equipment .....	15,000

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1	(iii) ED#3 Office subsidy.....\$	45,000
2	(iv) Nett Secondary road	
3	improvement and maintenance .....	75,000
4	(v) Water system projects	
5	improvement .....	15,000
6	(vi) Youth/Community Center.....	15,000
7	(vii) Dehpek/Takaious students'	
8	support .....	15,000
9	(viii) Student Financial Assistance	15,000
10	(ix) Medical referral support...	10,000
11	(x) Youth Sport facilities' upgrade	15,000
12	(xi) Pohnpei Senior Citizens	
13	Associations program/activities .....	5,000
14	(xii) Farming equipment.....	15,000
15	(xiii) General Road improvement	
16	and beautification .....	45,000"

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1       Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval  
2 by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or  
3 upon its becoming law without such approval.

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11 *Law as per signature*

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Manny Mori  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia

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