



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18266
FSM CONGRESS

May 8, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert
Speaker
18th FSM Congress
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941



Dear Speaker Halbert:

I am returning the following Congressional Acts, without signature:

Public Law No. 18-59. Congressional Act No. 18-62: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-49, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-68, 16-76, 17-06, 17-10, 17-82, 17-85, 18-28 AND 18-45, TO MODIFY 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. 18-60. Congressional Act No. 18-63: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-36, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-48, 17-78 AND 17-87, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Congressional Act No. 18-62 increases the appropriation for the circumferential road improvement project and decreases by the same amount the appropriation of the sawmill for Pohnpei at Large. Additionally, the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(1)(b) from the Pohnpei Transportation Authority to the Administrator of Nett District Government.

Congressional Act No. 18-63 eliminates an appropriation for Pohnpei ED #2 for students' financial assistance.

I reviewed the above Acts, which share the following common characteristics:

1. There were no public hearings or committee reports.
2. There have been multiple amendments to the original appropriations. The multiple amendments result in confusion as to the true intention of Congress for the public projects and programs, and create difficulties in implementation of the projects and programs, such as tracking the multiple changes.

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3. There were changes of recipients and purposes without clear justification or reasoning.

The above Acts are further examples of defective appropriation of public projects and social programs. As I stated in prior transmittals, it would be most helpful if Congress would set a policy limiting subsequent amendments to a maximum of only three per Act in order to avoid the problems as outlined above.

Therefore, I return these Acts without signature.

Sincerely,


Manny Mori
President

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
Secretary, Department of Justice
Director, Office of SBOC
Legislative Counsel, CFSM
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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-246
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April 04, 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. 18-62, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-49, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-68, 16-76, 17-06, 17-10, 17-82, 17-85, 18-28 AND 18-45, TO MODIFY 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 Special 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 SPECIAL SESSION
MARCH 24 – APRIL 02, 2014

PUBLIC LAW No. 18- 59

An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-49, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-68, 16-76, 17-06, 17-10, 17-82, 17-85, 18-28 AND 18-45, TO MODIFY 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: MARCH 25, 2014

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

WITHDRAWN – APRIL 01, 2014

FIRST READING: APRIL 01, 2014

SECOND READING: APRIL 02, 2014

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Liwiana Ramon Ioanis", is written over a horizontal line.

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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Office of the Speaker


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ACT NO. 18-62

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-147, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on April 02 the foregoing act passed
Second and Final Reading of the Eighteenth Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia, Third Special 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

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1	distribution of products).....\$	10,000
2	(f) Crop Development Project.....	10,000
3	(g) Pohnpei Judicial Conference	
4	hosting.....	3,000
5	(h) Enpein water system/road	
6	improvement	10,000
7	(i) POL.....	10,000
8	(j) Ohn Kitti community center/Nanpei	
9	Memorial Par.....	10,000
10	(2) Election District No. 1.....	200,000
11	(a) Matching share for USDA Rural	
12	Development grant for purchase of Kolonia	
13	Town Police vehicles and related equipment...	32,500
14	(b) Sapwuafik Municipal Office	
15	renovations	10,000
16	(c) Election District No. 1 operation.	50,000
17	(d) Nukuoro Municipal Office	
18	Completion	-0-
19	(e) Road maintenance/construction/	
20	water extension	59,530
21	(f) Matching share for USDA Rural	
22	Development grant for solar street lights.	22,500
23	(g) Kapinga Youth.....	2,000
24	(h) Pais basketball court.....	8,000
25	(i) Farming equipment.....	5,470

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1	(j) Rental Space at the Pohnpei	
2	International Terminal Building	\$ 360
3	(k) Salary for Pearl Project employees.	9,640
4	(3) Election District No. 2.....	180,000
5	(a) Teacher aide/Library aide	
6	(salary/retroactive pay)	5,000
7	(b) Cook (salary/retroactive pay).....	2,000
8	(c) School fence matching.....	-0-
9	(d) Students' financial assistance....	18,100
10	(e) Civic centers.....	15,000
11	(f) Secondary roads improvement.....	75,000
12	(g) Madolenihmw High School Bus driver.	4,000
13	(h) Water Delivery.....	20,000
14	(i) Madolenihmw Municipal Government-	
15	Executive Branch subsidy.....	15,000 .
16	(j) Micronesian Management Service....	19,000
17	(k) Island Equipment Co./Hideout.....	6,900
18	(4) Election District No. 3.....	50,000
19	(a) Election District No. 3.	
20	Operation.....	50,000"

21 Section 2. Section 6 of Public Law No. 16-49, as amended by
 22 Public Laws Nos. 17-10, 17-45, 17-85 and 18-28, is hereby further
 23 amended to read as follows:

24 "Section 6. Allotment and management of funds and lapse
 25 date. All funds appropriated by this act shall be

1 allotted, managed, administered and accounted for in
2 accordance with applicable law, including, but not
3 limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979. The
4 allottee shall be responsible for ensuring that these
5 funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are used
6 solely for the purpose specified in this act, and that
7 no obligations are incurred in excess of the sum
8 appropriated. The allottee of funds appropriated under
9 sections 2 and 4 of this act shall be the President of
10 the Federated States of Micronesia or his designee;
11 PROVIDED THAT the allottee of funds appropriated under
12 subsection 4(1)(b) shall be the Administrator of Nett
13 District Government and the allottee of the funds
14 appropriated under section 4(1)(j) shall be the Mayor of
15 Kolonias Town Government. The allottee of funds
16 appropriated under section 3 of this act shall be the
17 Governor of Yap State. The allottee of funds
18 appropriated under subsections 5(1), 5(3) and 5(7) of
19 this act shall be the Governor of Chuuk State or his
20 designee. The allottee of funds appropriated under
21 subsection 5(2) of this act shall be the Mortlock
22 Islands Development Authority (MIDA). The allottee of
23 funds appropriated under subsection 5(4) of this act
24 shall be the Southern Namoneas Development Authority.
25 The allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 5(5)

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1 of this act shall be the Faichuk Development Authority.
2 The allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 5(6)
3 of this act shall be the Northwest Development
4 Authority. The funds appropriated by this act shall
5 lapse on September 30, 2014."

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

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12 _____, 2014

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16 *Law w/out Signature*
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Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia

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