



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

May 31, 2014

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



PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-297
FSM CONGRESS

Dear Speaker Halbert:

I am returning the following Congressional Acts, which have become public laws without signature:

Public Law No. 18-63, Congressional Act No. 18-65, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-35, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-49 AND 18-61, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE STATES OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-64, Congressional Act No. 18-67, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-59, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-63, 17-66, 17-70, 17-77, 17-86, 18-21 AND 18-29, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-65, Congressional Act No. 18-68, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-36, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-48, 17-78, 17-87, 18-36 AND 18-60, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 4 AND 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-66, Congressional Act No. 18-69, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-50, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-04, 17-53 AND 18-37, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 1 AND 2 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-67, Congressional Act No. 18-64, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-36, 15-44, 15-57, 15-63, 15-72, 15-78, 16-03, 16-11, 16-33, 16-46, 17-12, 17-21, 17-33, 17-40 AND 18-17, BY AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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The above congressional acts have changed the various appropriations for public project and social programs in their amount, purpose, and allottee of funds. Although the changes do not involve any increase in the allocation of funds among the four States, still the changes have adverse consequences on the effective implementation of public projects and social programs.

Upon review, the Acts reveal the following common characteristics:

1. There were no public hearings.
2. Except for Congressional Act No. 18-64, all the Congressional Acts do not have committee reports.
3. There have been multiple amendments to the original appropriations. The multiple amendments result in confusion as to the true intention of Congress in appropriating funds for the public projects and social programs, and create difficulties in implementing them, such as tracking of the numerous changes that have occurred over multiple fiscal years.
4. Most of the changes of recipients and use of funds are without clear justification and reasoning behind the changes.

The above Acts are 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 the subsequent amendments to a maximum of only three per Act in order to avoid the problems outlined above. All the above acts involve more than 3 amendments. In fact, the most number of amendments is 16.

Therefore, I return these Acts without signature.

Sincerely,



President

Enclosures:

xc. Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
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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. 18-65, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-35, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-49 AND 18-61, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE STATES OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth 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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FSM CONGRESS
EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
FOURTH REGULAR SESSION
MAY 12 - 31, 2014

PUBLIC LAW No. 18- 63

An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-35, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-49 AND 18-61, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE STATES OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: FLORENCIO S. HARPER

DATE: MAY 15, 2014

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

WITHDRAWN – MAY 19, 2014

FIRST READING: MAY 19, 2014

SECOND READING: MAY 20, 2014

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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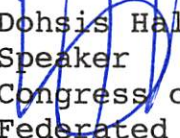
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ACT NO. 18-65

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-163, C.D.1, C.D.2)

We hereby certify that on May 20 the foregoing act passed
Second and Final Reading of the Eighteenth Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth 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

PUBLIC LAW No. 18-63

1	and Economic Affairs subsidy	
2	(seedling product)	\$ 30,000
3	(ab) Kosrae Conservation Society	
4	Organization	10,000
5	(ac) Kosrae Attorney General's	
6	Office subsidy	20,000
7	(ad) Kosrae State Public Safety (fuel)	10,000
8	(ae) Kosrae Island Resource	
9	Management Authority (KIRMA)	10,000
10	(af) Constituents outreach	
11	(Consulate General Honolulu)	10,000
12	(ag) Municipal governments subsidy ..	40,000
13	(ah) Tafunsak Basketball/Tennis courts	30,000
14	(ai) Malem Basketball/Tennis courts .	30,000
15	(aj) Utwa farm and access roads/drainages	30,000
16	(ak) Lelu - Mutunneneea/Sialat	
17	access road to Pukusruk	24,000
18	(al) Travel needs (outreach program)	45,000
19	(am) Access road to Pukusrik Water system	10,000
20	(an) Manpower/capacity building	
21	Kosrae State)	-0-
22	(ao) Malem access road	5,000
23	(ap) Kosrae Telecommunication	
24	internet coverage	11,000
25	(aq) Payment for LSAT Preparation and	

PUBLIC LAW No. 18-63

1 other associated expenses \$ 5,000

2 (ar) Micronesian Shipping Commission 5,000"

3 Section 2. Section 4 of Public Law No. 18-35, as amended

4 by Public Laws Nos. 18-49 and 18-61, is hereby further amended

5 to read as follows:

6 "Section 4. Of the sum of \$4,900,000 appropriated by

7 this act, \$1,400,000 is apportioned for public

8 projects and social programs in the State of Pohnpei.

9 State of Pohnpei 1,400,000

10 (1) At-Large 350,000

11 (a) Construction and improvement of

12 Sports facilities Improvement in Kitti (survey

13 cost, land clearance, equipment rental,

14 material purchase, labor) \$ 75,000

15 (b) Construction and improvement of sports

16 facility in Senpehn, Madolenihmw (Equipment rental,

17 material purchase, lighting fixture purchase,

18 electrical products, labor cost) 97,000

19 (c) Travel by airplane for Pohnpei

20 (for field lighting expert/consultant) ... 16,000

21 (d) Water system improvement (material,

22 equipment purchase, labor) 42,000

23 (e) Community centers improvement

24 (Health and sanitary improvement, access road

25 improvement) 20,000

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1	(f) Crop development project grants	
2	(seedling purchase and cultivation, equipment,	
3	tools purchase, equipment rental & labor, produce	
4	processing equipment, travel of Cargo expert	
5	to Pohnpei)	\$ 50,000
6	(g) Street lights installation in Kolonia	50,000
7	(2) Election District No. 1	350,000
8	(a) Road improvement	200,000
9	(b) Transportation Needs	20,000
10	(c) School Needs	20,000
11	(d) Solar lights	50,000
12	Leadership travel	10,000
13	(e) RSP Center Construction	30,000
14	(f) Election District No. 1 Need	
15	Assessment and Monitoring	15,000
16	(g) Nukuoro Constitutional Convention	5,000
17	(3) Election District No. 2	350,000
18	(a) Salapuk school road paving	50,000
19	(b) Wone school road paving	50,000
20	(c) Diadi (Madol) water system	5,000
21	(d) Diadi (Kitti) water system	10,000
22	(e) Nanpahalp (Madol) road paving ..	30,000
23	(f) Speaker's office, Isokohnedi,	
24	administrative support	5,000
25	(g) Kitti track and field facility .	25,000

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1	(h) Water well drilling	\$ 5,000
2	(i) Sapwalapw road upgrade	15,000
3	(j) Enipen powe road upgrade	15,000
4	(k) Power line extension	10,000
5	(l) Mwoakot (Kitti) road upgrade ...	15,000
6	(m) Metipw/Dolapwal road upgrade ...	10,000
7	(n) Dioan road upgrade	15,000
8	(o) Youth and Sports	7,500
9	(p) Sports equipment	7,500
10	(q) Agriculture fair	5,000
11	(r) Students financial assistance ..	10,000
12	(s) Patients referral assistance ...	5,000
13	(t) Purchase of Coral material	7,500
14	(u) Purchase of PVC pipes and fittings	7,500
15	(v) Administrative support services	
16	(Election District No. 2)	5,000
17	(w) Nanmangil road construction	20,000
18	(x) Kepine water system upgrade	10,000
19	(y) Luhkenmoanlap's office, Kitti	
20	municipal government	5,000
21	(4) Election District No. 3	350,000
22	(a) Youth Sports Facilities renovation,	
23	sports activities & equipment/supplies	30,000
24	(b) School supplies	10,000
25	(c) Student support fun	10,000

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1	(d) Medical referral support	\$ 15,000
2	(e) Nan-U pier repairs/improvement .	25,000
3	(f) Senior Citizen support	5,000
4	(g) Road Cleanup project/equipment .	45,000
5	(h) Road speed pumps/signs	35,000
6	(i) Mwoakilloa Municipal Gov't Subsidy	25,000
7	(j) Pingelap lumber project	10,000
8	(k) Pingelap coconut project	10,000
9	(l) Pingelap satellite fee	3,000
10	(m) ED#3 Community Water Projects ..	25,000
11	(n) Renewal Energy/solar equipment	
12	supplies for remote communities	20,000
13	(o) Pohnpei Business Association	
14	subsidy	10,000
15	(p) ED#3 Office subsidy	30,000
16	(q) ED#3 Office work truck	13,000
17	(r) U Municipal Gov't work truck ...	13,000
18	(s) U Municipal Gov't Executive subsidy	3,000
19	(t) Pohnpei State Transportation Authority	
20	(PTA) work truck	13,000"

21 Section 3. Section 5 of Public Law No. 18-35, as amended
 22 by Public Laws Nos. 18-49 and 18-61, is hereby further amended
 23 to read as follows:

24 "Section 5. Of the sum of \$4,900,000 appropriated by
 25 this act, \$2,100,000 is apportioned for public

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1	projects and social programs in the State of Chuuk.	
2	State of Chuuk	\$ 2,100,000
3	(1) At-Large	350,000
4	(a) Community facilities/	
5	housing improvement subsidy	70,000
6	(b) Non-government	
7	organizations/foundations/associations	5,000
8	(c) Contributions/subsidies to State,	
9	Municipal and Community	
10	events/activities/programs	55,000
11	(d) Leaders/Patients/Students	
12	travel and human remains repatriation costs	45,000
13	(e) POL/Freight/Charter subsidy	20,000
14	(f) Municipal government subsidy ...	25,000
15	(g) Fishing projects	40,000
16	(h) Land transportation	25,000
17	(i) Women's Home Economic	
18	Program/Projects	25,000
19	(j) Municipal facilities	
20	construction/improvement subsidy	30,000
21	(k) Social Security premium obligation	10,000
22	(2) Election District No. 1	350,000
23	(a) Municipal subsidy	50,000
24	(b) Mortlock Island Development	
25	Authority	40,000

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1	(c) Lien Naufich Subsidy	\$ 65,000
2	(d) Housing/Multipurpose buildings	
3	renovation and improvement	55,000
4	(e) Renewable Energy and	
5	Communication system	25,000
6	(f) Health, Education and	
7	Sanitary projects	30,000
8	(g) Roads, airports and related	
9	projects	25,000
10	(h) Faith-walk Christian College subsidy	10,000
11	(i) Caroline Christian Pastoral Institute	10,000
12	(j) Youth, community and traditional	
13	programs, events and activities	30,000
14	(k) Training program -	
15	Election District No. 1	5,000
16	(l) Subsidy for Lien Pwakii	5,000
17	(3) Election District No. 2	350,000
18	(a) Housing Rehabilitation	100,000
19	(b) Fishing project	60,000
20	(c) Constituents outreach program ..	35,000
21	(d) Contribution Hawaii/	
22	Guam Associations	30,000
23	(e) Human Repatriation of human remain	
24	(funeral and travel expenses)	13,000
25	(f) Weno Goodwill Game	10,000

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1 Section 4. This act shall become law upon approval by the
2 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
3 becoming law without such approval.

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11 *Law signed signature*

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Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia

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