A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend section 203 of title 2 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 10-55, 15-09, and 15-74, to create an Office of Veterans’ Affairs within the Department of Health and Social Affairs at the Federated States of Micronesia National Government, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 203 of title 2 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 10-55, 15-09 and 15-74, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 203. Departments.

(1) There shall be the following departments which shall be responsible for major programs or administrative support areas in the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia:

(a) Department of Resources and Development;

(b) Department of Finance and Administration;

(c) Department of Foreign Affairs;

(d) Department of Health and Social Affairs, which shall contain among other units, an Office of Veterans’ Affairs;

(e) Department of Justice;

(f) Department of Transportation, Communication and Infrastructure, which shall contain
among other units, a Project Management Unit for the Compact Infrastructure Grants; and

(g) Department of Education.

(2) The administrative head of each department shall be designated as a “Secretary”.

(3) The administrative head of each office shall be designated as a “Director”.

(4) Succession.

(a) Any reference to a previously existing department, office or division thereof shall apply to the appropriate successor entity.

(b) Any reference to any office or employee of an entity referred to in subsection (4)(a) of this section shall be construed as applying to the person holding the same or most similar position in the appropriate successor entity.”

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: 11/22/13 Introduced by: /s/ Berney Martin

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