



*The President*  
*Palikir, Pohnpei*  
*Federated States of Micronesia*

September 18, 2015

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 19-176  
FSM CONGRESS

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei, FM 96941

Dear Speaker Simina:

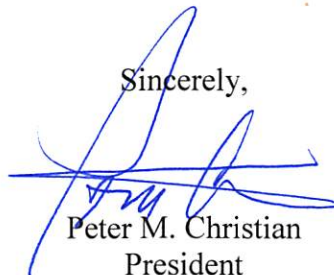
I reviewed Congressional Act No. 19-28 which is:

“AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-89, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-102, 18-116, 19-02, 19-09 AND 19-27, BY AMENDING SECTION 3, 8, AND 11 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

The Act is approved and is designated as Public Law No. 19-28.

I take this opportunity to thank Congress for the hard work on this measure leading to the passage of this important legislation to assist the shortfall certain payrolls in the legislative branch.

Sincerely,



Peter M. Christian  
President

Enclosures:

Xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court  
Secretary, Department of F&A  
Secretary, Department of Justice  
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September 16, 2015

His Excellency Peter M. Christian  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941



Dear President Christian:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 19-28, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-89, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-102, 18-110, 18-116, 19-02, 19-09, AND 19-27, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 8, AND 11 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2015, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

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

Enclosures





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NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE  
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
SEPTEMBER 14 – OCTOBER 03, 2015

PUBLIC LAW No. 19- 28

## An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-89, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-102, 18-110, 18-116, 19-02, 19-09, AND 19-27, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 8, AND 11 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: ISAAC V. FIGIR

DATE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

WITHDRAWN – SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

FIRST READING: SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

SECOND READING: SEPTEMBER 16, 2015

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Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress





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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 19-176  
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ACT NO. 19-28

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 19-67, C.D.1,  
C.D.2)

We hereby certify that on September 16 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2015, 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.

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Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

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

NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 2015 CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 19-67, C.D.1, C.D.2

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AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 18-89, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 18-102, 18-110, 18-116, 19-02, 19-09, and 19-27, by amending sections 3, 8, and 11 thereof, to change the use of funds previously appropriated therein, and for other purposes.

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

1           Section 1. Section 3 of Public Law No. 18-89, as  
2   amended by Public Laws Nos. 19-02 and 19-09, is hereby  
3   further amended to read as follows:

4           "Section 3. Operating Expenses of the Legislative  
5           Branch. The sum of \$5,433,005 or so much thereof as  
6           may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the  
7           General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia  
8           for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, for  
9           the operations of the Legislative Branch of the  
10          National Government during fiscal year 2015. The sum  
11          appropriated by this section shall be apportioned as  
12          follows:

13               (1) Speaker and Members.

14          The sum of \$2,965,171, or so much thereof as may be  
15          necessary, for the operations of the Office of the  
16          Speaker and Members of the Congress of the Federated  
17          States of Micronesia during fiscal year 2015. The  
18          sum appropriated herein shall be apportioned as

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1 follows:

2	Personnel .....	\$ 423,290
3	Travel .....	814,881
4	Contractual Services.....	1,597,000
5	OCE .....	50,000
6	Fixed Assets .....	80,000

7 (2) Staff Offices.

8 The sum of \$1,557,834, or so much thereof as may be  
 9 necessary, for the operations of the Congress staff  
 10 offices during fiscal year 2015. The sum  
 11 appropriated herein shall be apportioned as follows:

12	Personnel .....	863,582
13	Travel.....	190,252
14	Contractual Services.....	265,000
15	OCE; PROVIDED THAT, up to \$10,000 may be used to	
16	pay expenses incurred during the previous	
17	fiscal year .....	170,000
18	Fixed Assets.....	69,000

19 (3) Congress Delegation Offices.

20 The sum of \$910,000 or so much thereof as may be  
 21 necessary, for the operations of the Congress  
 22 delegation offices during the fiscal year 2015. Of  
 23 the amounts appropriated for contractual services  
 24 within each Delegation Office, up to a maximum of  
 25 \$35,000 per Member, at the Delegation Offices'

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1 discretion, may be used for Member Representation.

2 The sum appropriated is apportioned as follows:

3 (a) Kosrae Delegation Office

4	Travel .....	\$ 10,000
5	Contractual Services .....	83,000
6	OCE .....	25,000
7	Fixed Assets .....	2,000
8	TOTAL .....	120,000

9 (b) Pohnpei Delegation Office

10	Travel .....	14,300
11	Contractual Services .....	182,840
12	OCE 42,860	
13	Fixed Assets .....	-0-
14	TOTAL .....	\$240,000

15 (c) Chuuk Delegation Office

16	Travel .....	-0-
17	Contractual Services .....	380,000
18	OCE .....	-0-
19	Fixed Assets .....	25,000
20	TOTAL .....	\$405,000

21 (d) Yap Delegation Office

22	Travel .....	30,000
23	Contractual Services .....	60,000
24	OCE .....	25,000
25	Fixed Assets .....	30,000

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1 TOTAL ..... \$145,000"

2 Section 2. Section 8 of Public Law No. 18-89, as amended  
3 by Public Laws Nos. 18-102, 18-110, 18-116, 19-02, 19-09, and  
4 19-27, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

5 "Section 8. Grants, Subsidies and Contributions.

6 The sum of \$10,358,267, or so much thereof as may be  
7 necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General  
8 Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the  
9 fiscal year ending September 30, 2015 for the  
10 following grants, subsidies and contributions during  
11 fiscal year 2015. The sum appropriated by this  
12 section shall be apportioned as follows:

13 (1) Office of the President.

14	(a) Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Dev.(AIBD) \$	4,500
15	(b) Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union (ABU)	800
16	(c) Pacific Island News Assn. (PINA)	350
17	(d) FSM Group Life .....	25,000
18	(e) 2023 Committee .....	80,000
19	(f) China (Working Visit) .....	22,300

20 (2) Department of Foreign Affairs.

21	(a) Pacific Is. Forum Secretariat ..	46,000
22	(b) Secretariat of the Pacific	
23	Community (SPC) .....	56,000
24	(c) UN Membership Fee .....	70,000
25	(d) UN Economic and Social Commission	



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1	for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) .....	\$ 5,000
2	(e) East West Center .....	5,000
3	(f) Cotonou Membership Fee .....	15,000
4	(g) SPC Office Rental .....	45,000
5	(h) FSM-China Diplomatic Relations .	25,000
6	(i) ACP Membership Dues .....	50,933
7	(3) Department of Finance and Administration.	
8	(a) OCO Membership Fee .....	14,024
9	(b) Maintenance Fee for FMIS .....	55,000
10	(c) Repatriation & Recruitment of	
11	FSM Mission personnel .....	50,000
12	(4) Department of Resources and Development.	
13	(a) Pacific Islands Development Program	15,000
14	(b) Forum Fisheries .....	38,918
15	(c) UNDP .....	30,000
16	(d) South Pacific Applied	
17	Geoscience Comm. (SOPAC) .....	15,000
18	(e) Pacific Asia Travel Association	5,000
19	(f) Micronesian Challenge Endowment	50,000
20	(g) Western Forestry Leadership Coalition	530
21	(h) Food Agriculture Organization (FAO)	4,800
22	(i) Matching for SPC Projects .....	60,000
23	(j) Micronesian Challenge .....	10,000
24	(k) Micronesian Cruise Assoc .....	2,500
25	(l) International Animal Health	

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1	Organization (OIE) .....	\$ 23,000
2	(m) IRENA .....	250
3	(n) Micronesia Trade Cmte .....	30,000
4	(o) Convention on Biological	
5	Diversity (CBD) .....	1,000
6	(p) South Pacific Tourism	
7	Organization (SPTO) .....	27,000
8	(q) International Fund for Agriculture	
9	Development .....	500
10	(r) Tourism development framework for	
11	Kosrae State .....	50,000
12	(s) Tourism development framework for	
13	Yap State; PROVIDED THAT, the funds are not	
14	Used for travel purposes .....	50,000
15	(t) Tourism development framework for	
16	Pohnpei State; PROVIDED THAT, the funds are	
17	not use for travel purposed .....	50,000
18	(u) Tourism development framework for	
19	Chuuk State; PROVIDED THAT, the funds are not used	
20	for travel purposes .....	50,000
21	(v) Chamber of Commerce for Kosrae State	50,000
22	(w) Chamber of Commerce for Pohnpei State	50,000
23	(x) Chamber of Commerce for Yap State	50,000
24	(y) Chamber of Commerce for Chuuk State	50,000
25	(z) WCPFC Membership Contribution..	94,489

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1	(5) Department of Health and Social Affairs.	
2	(a) UN Fund for Population	
3	Activity (UNFPA) .....	\$ 3,000
4	(b) World Health Organization (WHO)	4,000
5	(c) National Board of Nursing	
6	& Med Licensing .....	20,000
7	(d) Pacific Islands Health Officers	
8	Association (PIHOA) .....	20,000
9	(e) FSM Amateur Sports Association .	20,000
10	(f) Association of Territorial	
11	Health Organization .....	7,000
12	(g) FSM Red Cross .....	70,000
13	(h) UNICEF (vaccines) .....	20,000
14	(i) National Women's Conference ....	55,000
15	(6) Department of Education.	
16	(a) Aid for Non-Public School .....	500,000
17	(b) Financial Assistance to	
18	FSM students attending CMI .....	25,000
19	(c) Financial Assistance to FSM	
20	students attending PCC .....	50,000
21	(d) National scholarship; PROVIDED	
22	THAT, the recipients of these funds must	
23	maintain a 2.5 Grade Point Average .....	2,000,000
24	(e) National Close-Up .....	70,000
25	(f) National Merit Scholarship .....	300,000

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1	(g) COM Board annual meeting .....	\$ 5,000
2	(7) Department of Transportation, Communications	
3	and Infrastructure.	
4	(a) Asia Pacific Telecommunity (APT)	11,000
5	(b) International Telecommunications	
6	Union (ITU) .....	20,867
7	(c) International Civil Aviation	
8	Organization .....	28,050
9	(d) FSM Capital Energy/Utilities ...	600,000
10	(e) Micronesian Shipping Comm .....	25,000
11	(8) Department of Justice.	
12	(a) DOJ Fuel Subsidy .....	200,000
13	(b) DOJ Trafficking in Persons (TIP)	
14	prosecution/training/public information ...	50,000
15	(c) Kosrae Joint Law Enforcement ...	30,000
16	(d) Pohnpei Joint Law Enforcement ..	50,000
17	(e) Chuuk Joint Law Enforcement ....	50,000
18	(f) Yap Joint Law Enforcement .....	30,000
19	(g) Ammunition for Sidearm & Long rifles	25,000
20	(h) Manuel Court Judgment .....	55,000
21	(9) Office of S.B.O.C.	
22	(a) Asia Pacific Investment .....	250
23	(10) Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia	
24	(a) Update FSM Code .....	-0-
25	(b) IPU Conference .....	23,112



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1	(c) Climate Change Conferences .... \$	27,026
2	(d) Congressional Activities in	
3	Preparation of Compact Transition .....	-0-
4	(e) Congressional Consultant in	
5	the DC Embassy .....	40,000
6	(f) APPU/APPF .....	45,000
7	(g) Compact of Free Association	
8	Historical Project .....	150,000
9	(h) FSM/Israel Congressional	
10	Relations .....	62,303
11	(i) Local Staff Upgrade/Law of the	
12	Sea Training .....	97,249
13	(11) Office of E.E.M.	
14	(a) SPREP .....	10,184
15	(b) UNEP .....	760
16	(c) SPREP/Noumea Convention .....	1,764
17	(d) Waigani Convention .....	1,190
18	(e) UN Convention to Combat	
19	Desertification .....	120
20	(f) UN Framework Convention (UNFCC)	250
21	(g) Earth Day Activities .....	15,000
22	(h) EPA Director's Meeting .....	20,000
23	(i) 5th Bi-Annual Environmental Conference	20,000
24	(j) Disaster Assistance Emergency	
25	Fund (DAEF) Matching .....	200,000

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1	(k) Climate Change Initiative .....	\$ 60,000
2	(12) Office of NACHP	
3	(a) UNESCO .....	4,000
4	(b) NCSHPO .....	2,760
5	(c) PARBICA .....	100
6	(d) PIALA .....	100
7	(e) WHC Membership Fee .....	54
8	(13) Other Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	
9	(a) Kosrae Judiciary Subsidy .....	35,000
10	(b) Pohnpei Judiciary Subsidy .....	55,000
11	(c) Chuuk Judiciary Subsidy .....	55,000
12	(d) Yap Judiciary Subsidy .....	35,000
13	(e) COM Treaty Obligations .....	25,000
14	(f) Micronesian Legal Services	
15	Corporation .....	250,000
16	(g) MiCare .....	80,000
17	(h) MLFC Loan Payment .....	288,466
18	(i) FY13 & FY14 Single Audits .....	432,000
19	(j) Former Presidents' allowance ...	50,000
20	(k) FSM Social Security .....	1,000,000
21	(l) Staff Housing .....	510,000
22	(m) Recruitment and repatriation ...	223,218
23	(n) General and Special Elections Fund	455,247
24	(o) Reimbursement of Funeral Expenses	
25	for Chief Justice Hon. Martin G. Yinug ....	37,133

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1 (p) FY2015 COLA to be paid to the eligible  
 2 employees of the National Government in accordance  
 3 with Public Law No. 18-114.....\$ 158,160  
 4 (q) Typhoon Dolphin relief for Guam. 100,000  
 5 (r) Additional assistance for the  
 6 humanitarian situation in the states of  
 7 Yap, Chuuk, and Pohnpei involving the  
 8 detained foreign nationals..... 50,000  
 9 (s) Defray costs of meals and other school  
 10 related debts for FSM Students at the  
 11 College of the Marshall Islands ..... 15,000"

12 Section 3. Section 11 of Public Law No. 18-89 is hereby  
 13 amended to read as follows:

14 "Section 11. Reprogramming. Reprogramming of funds  
 15 shall be permitted. Funds shall not be reprogrammed  
 16 into the fixed assets line item nor used to purchase  
 17 computers, office equipment, vehicles, furniture, or  
 18 any other type of real property that may be justified  
 19 under another line item. Funds may be transferred  
 20 out of fixed assets to offset a shortfall in another  
 21 line item. Funds may only be transferred out of OCE  
 22 to cover a shortfall in personnel. All remaining  
 23 funds in OCE not used to cover a personnel shortfall  
 24 shall lapse in order to alleviate the overall budget  
 25 shortfall. This lifting of the restrictions on

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1 reprogramming of funds shall cease on September 30,  
2 2015. The President shall report to Congress within  
3 one month of the last day of each financial quarter  
4 all amounts reprogrammed inter or intra a department,  
5 office or agency."

6 Section 4. This act shall become law upon approval by  
7 the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or  
8 upon its becoming law without such approval.

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17 Peter M. Christian  
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