A BILL FOR AN ACT

To create a new section 167, and to amend sections 403 and 405 of title 52 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, to modify the premium contributions for retired government employees for the National Government Employee’s Health Insurance Plan and for National Government employee life insurance, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Title 52 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, is hereby further amended by creating a new section 167, to read as follows:

"Section 167. Retired Former National Government Employees Health and Life Insurance Coverage. Retired former employees of the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia over the age of 60, with twenty or more years of service with the National Government, shall be entitled to coverage under the National Government Employee’s Health Insurance Plan, and a National Government Employee Life Insurance Plan with 100 percent of the premiums to be paid by the National Government."

Section 2. Section 403 of title 52 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 403. Eligibility."
(1) All full-time employees of the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia shall participate in the plan.

(2) Other persons who may participate in the plan:

(a) The full-time employees of each participating agency and businesses which has entered into a contract with the Director, as administrator of the plan, whereby such agencies or businesses have agreed to participate in the plan.

(b) The dependents of full-time employees of the National Government, participating agencies and participating businesses;

(c) Members of an employee’s household who are dependent upon the employee, but are not otherwise defined as “dependents” under the provisions of this Act, if the employee pays 100 percent of the premiums for such persons to the plan;

(d) Government employees whose State or agency does not participate in the plan, and their dependents, if they pay 100 percent of the premiums for themselves and their dependents to the plan;

(e) Retired former employees of the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia over the age of 60, with twenty or more years of service with
the National Government, with the National Government to pay 100 percent of the premiums;

{[f]} Other former enrollees in the plan, and their dependents, if they pay 100 percent of the premiums for themselves and their dependents to the plan; and

{[g]} Full-time students enrolled at any postsecondary institution in the FSM, if the postsecondary institution has entered into a contract of participation with the plan and the students pay 100 percent of the premium for themselves to the plan.

Section 3. Section 405 of title 52 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 405. Premium contributions.

Employees and retired employees participating in the plan shall contribute the percentage of the premium not paid by their employer for insurance under the plan.

The National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia shall contribute at least 52 percent of the premium for eligible employees, and retired employees, of the National Government participating in the plan.

Any participating agency or participating business shall contribute at least 50 percent of the premium for their employees participating in the plan, or may at their
request contract with the Board to contribute more than
50 percent.

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

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