AN ACT

To provide laws to control bribery, graft and conflict of interest for the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, and for other purposes.

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

- Section 1. <u>Definitions</u>. For the purpose of the following sections:
- 2 (1) "Public official" means member of Congress of the
- 3 Federated States of Micronesia, either before or after he has qualified,
- 4 or an officer or any other employee or person acting for or on behalf
- 5 of the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, or any
- 6 department, agency or branch of Government thereof, in any official
- 7 function under or by authority of any such department, agency, or branch
- 8 of Government.
- 9 (2) "Official act" means any decision or action on any matter
- 10 which may at any time be pending, or which may by law be brought before
- 11 any public official, in his official capacity or position of trust.
- 12 Section 2. Offerings to influence members of National Government.
- 13 Whoever promises, offers, or gives any money or other thing of value to
- 14 any public official, officer or employee of the National Government with
- 15 the intent to influence his decision or action on any official matter
- 16 which may at any time be pending, or which may by law be brought before
- 17 him in his official capacity; or with the intent to influence him to
- 18 commit or aid in committing, or to collude in or allow any fraud, or
- 19 provide opportunity for the commission of any fraud on the National Govern-
- 20 ment, or to induce him to do or omit to do any act in violation of his
- 21 lawful duty, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not
- 22 more than ten years or both, and shall be disqualified from holding any

- 1 office of honor or trust in the National Government.
- 2 Section 3. Compensation to Members of Congress, officers, and others
- 3 in matters affecting the Government.
- 4 (1) Whenever a public official, otherwise than as provided by
- 5 law for the proper discharge of official duties, directly or indirectly
- 6 receives or agrees to receive, or asks, demands, solicits, or seeks, any
- 7 compensation for any services rendered or to be rendered either by himself
- 8 or another, in relation to any matter in which the National Government of
- 9 the Federated States of Micronesia is a party or has a direct and substan-
- 10 tial interest; or
- 11 (2) Whoever knowingly, otherwise than as provided by law for the
- 12 proper discharge of official duties, directly or indirectly gives, promises,
- 13 or offers any compensation for any such services rendered or to be rendered
- 14 at a time when the intended recipient is or was such a public official,
- 15 shall be in violation of the law. Any such violators of Subsections (1) or
- 16 (2) of this section shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned for
- 17 not more than two years, or both; and shall be disqualified from holding
- 18 any office of honor or trust in the National Government of the Federated
- 19 States of Micronesia.
- 20 Section 4. Disqualification of former officers and employees in
- 21 matters connected with former duties or official responsibilities; disqual-
- 22 ification of partners.
- 23 (1) Whoever, having been a public official, an officer, or
- 24 employee of any branch of the National Government of the Federated States
- 25 of Micronesia or any entity created by said government, within one year

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- 1 after his employment or term has ceased, knowingly acts as agent or attorney
- 2 for anyone other than the branch of the National Government or its entity
- 3 in connection with any judicial or other matter involving a specific party or
- 4 parties in which the branch of the National Government or its entity is a
- 5 party or has a direct and substantial interest, and in which he participated
- 6 personally and substantially as an officer or employee, shall be fined not
- 7 more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than two years, or both.
- 8 (2) Whoever, being a partner of an officer or employee of any
- 9 branch of the National Government or its entity, acts as agent or attorney
- 10 for anyone other than the branch of National Government or its entity in
- 11 connection with any judicial or other matter in which the branch of the
- 12 National Government or its entity is a party or has a direct and substan-
- 13 tial interest and in which such officer or employee participates or has
- 14 participated personally and substantially as a Government employee,
- 15 or which is the subject of his official responsibility, shall be fined
- 16 not more than \$5,000, or imprisoned not more than one year or both.
- 17 Section 5. Acts affecting a personal financial interest. Whoever,
- 18 being an officer, employee or public official of any branch of the National
- 19 Government, or of any independent Government entity, or an allottee as
- 20 contemplated by the Financial Management Act of 1979, and who in any of
- 21 these capacities participates personally and substantially in a judicial
- 22 proceeding or other matter in which, to his knowledge, he, his spouse,
- 23 minor child, close relatives, partner, organization in which he is serving
- 24 as officer, director, trustee, partner or employee, or any person or
- 25 organization with whom he is negotiating or has any arrangement concerning

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1	prospective employment, has a financial interest, shall be fined not more				
2	than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than two years, or both. For purposes				
3	of this section, "substantial participation" includes, but is not limited				
4	to, the following: decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, ren-				
5	dering of advice, and investigation. "Other matter" includes, but is not				
6	limited to, the following: application or request for a ruling or other				
7	determination, contract, claim, controversy, charge, accusation, or arrest				
8	Section 6. Offer to procure appointive public office. Whoever pays				
9	or offers or promises any money or thing of value, to any person, firm, or				
10	corporation in consideration of the use or promise to use any influence to				
11	procure any appointive office or place under the National Government, for				
12	any person, shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than				
13	one year, or both.				
L4	Section 7. Acceptance or solicitation to obtain appointive public				
15	office. Whoever solicits or receives, either as a political contribution,				
16	or for personal gain, any money or thing of value, in consideration of the				
17	promise of support or use of influence in obtaining for any person any				
18	appointive office or place under the National Government shall be fined				
19	not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.				
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