A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 2 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, by amending section 203 thereof, in order to change the names of executive departments into ministries, replace with the word “ministers” as the official designation of cabinet secretaries, 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 (Annotated), as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 203. Departments.

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

(a) [Department] Ministry of Resources and Development;

(b) [Department] Ministry of Finance and Administration;

(c) [Department] Ministry of Foreign Affairs;

(d) [Department] Ministry of Health and Social Affairs;

(e) [Department] Ministry of Justice;

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

   (g) [Department] Ministry of Education.

(2) The administrative head of each [department] ministries shall be designated as a ["Secretary"] "Minister".

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

(4) Succession and transition.

   (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: 1/29/18

Introduced by: /s/ Florencio S. Harper

Florencio S. Harper (by request)