A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend Public Law 21-19, as amended by Public Law No. 21-39, by amending section 6 thereof, to clarify the allowable recesses to be called by the Constitutional Convention, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 6 of Public Law No. 21-19, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 6. Procedures.

(1) The Constitutional Convention shall be convened on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January, 2020, and the Constitutional Convention shall continue in session for no longer than thirty calendar days; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Convention may:

(a) call recesses, including one extended recess of between 3 and 30 consecutive calendar days, which shall not be included in the calculation of the calendar days the Constitutional Convention is in session and for which no allowance shall be paid; and

(b) extend the session, if necessary, for up to a total of forty-five calendar days.

(2) The President of the Federated States of Micronesia, or their designee, shall act as President of the Convention until the Convention selects a President from among its membership.
(3) The Convention shall select, from among its membership, a President and such additional officers as it may deem necessary and appropriate.

(4) The Convention shall adopt its own rules and procedures not inconsistent with this act. All sessions of the Convention shall be open to the public.”

(5) A quorum of the Convention shall consist of all of the four state delegations. For the purpose of determining a quorum, a state delegation is not present unless more than one-half of the delegates from that state are present.”

Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.