
A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend section 103 of title 2 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, to clarify the Executive authority in case both President and Vice President are out of the country during and emergency declared under Article X, Section 9 of the FSM Constitution, and for other purposes.

1 Section 1. Section 103 of title 2 of the Code of the
2 Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, hereby
3 amended to read as follows; and

4 “§103. Vacancy in the Offices of President and Vice
5 President.

6 If both the President and Vice President die, resign, or
7 are impeached, the Speaker of the Congress shall
8 immediately assume the powers and duties of the
9 President as Acting President, and the Congress shall
10 within 30 days of the last vacancy elect a President and
11 Vice President, convening or that purpose if not in
12 session, and declare vacancies in the Congress. If both
13 the President and the Vice President are outside the
14 country when an emergency under Article X, Section 9 of
15 the Constitution has been declared, the Speaker shall
16 assume temporarily the powers and duties of the
17 President as Acting President until the return inside
18 the country of either the President or the Vice
19 President. If the Office of the Speaker is vacant, or
20 if the Speaker dies or resigns from Congress during said

1 30-day period, the Vice Speaker shall immediately assume
2 the powers and duties of the President as Acting
3 President.”

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

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8 Date: 3/11/20

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