



*The President*  
*Palikir, Pohnpei*  
*Federated States of Micronesia*



September 21, 2022

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
Twenty-Second Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

**PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 22-335**  
**FSM CONGRESS**

Dear Speaker Simina:

I am pleased to transmit the following congressional act, which I have signed to become Public Law No. 22-152:

Congressional Act No. 22-149, entitled: "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 9 AND 12 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-118, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 19-125, 19-131, 19-135, 19-146, 19-160, 20-01, 20-14, 20-23, 20-74 AND 20-129, IN ORDER TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING CAPITAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT FOR THE STATE OF CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

This Congressional Act is amending both Public Laws Nos. 20-74 and 20-129 by changing the use and allottee of funds to fund Capital and Human Resources for the State of Chuuk.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
David W. Panuelo  
President

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court



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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 22-335  
FSM CONGRESS

September 14, 2022

His Excellency David W. Panuelo  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Panuelo:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 22-149, "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 9 AND 12 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-118, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 19-125, 19-131, 19-135, 19-146, 19-160, 20-01, 20-14, 20-23, 20-74 AND 20-129, IN ORDER TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING CAPITAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT FOR THE STATE OF CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2022, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

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Jessicalynn Reyes  
Chief Clerk, Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures





**PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 22-335**  
**FSM CONGRESS**



TWENTY SECOND CONGRESS OF THE  
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA  
FIFTH REGULAR SESSION  
SEPTEMBER 05 - 24, 2022

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## An Act

TO AMEND SECTIONS 9 AND 12 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-118, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 19-125, 19-131, 19-135, 19-146, 19-160, 20-01, 20-14, 20-23, 20-74 AND 20-129, IN ORDER TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING CAPITAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT FOR THE STATE OF CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: WESLEY W. SIMINA

DATE: SEPTEMBER 07, 2022

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REFERRED TO: WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

WITHDRAWN – SEPTEMBER 08, 2022

FIRST READING: SEPTEMBER 08, 2022

SECOND READING: SEPTEMBER 14, 2022

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Jessicalynn Reyes  
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress





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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 22-335  
FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 22-149

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 22-237, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on September 14 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2022, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

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Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

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Jessicalynn Reyes  
Chief Clerk  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

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AN ACT

To amend sections 9 and 12 of Public Law No. 19-118, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 19-125, 19-131, 19-135, 19-146, 19-160, 20-01, 20-14, 20-23, 20-74 and 20-129, in order to change the use and allottee of funds previously appropriated therein for the purpose of funding capital and human resources development for the state of Chuuk, and for other purposes.

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

1       Section 1. Section 9 of Public Law No. 19-118, as amended by  
2 Public Laws Nos. 19-125, 19-131, 19-135, 19-146, 19-160, 20-01,  
3 20-14, 20-23 and 20-74, is hereby further amended to read as  
4 follows:

5           "Section 9. Capital and Human Resources Development.

6           The sum of \$40,606,363, which includes \$556,074 in SEG  
7           funding that was previously omitted, or so much thereof  
8           as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the  
9           General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for  
10          the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, for the  
11          following capital improvements, development programs,  
12          and projects and human resources development. Of the  
13          total amount of funds appropriated herein, \$1,802,096  
14          shall be deemed to come from funds available under the  
15          Amended Compact from the Supplemental Education Grant  
16          and \$9,545,500 shall be deemed to come from funds  
17          available under the Amended Compact from Compact Sector

1	Grants. The sum appropriated by this section shall be	
2	apportioned as follows:	
3	(1) <u>College of Micronesia – FSM.</u>	
4	(a) College of Micronesia-FSM....	\$ 3,800,000
5	(b) FSM Fisheries and Maritime	
6	Institute (FMI).....	833,915
7	(c) College of Micronesia-FSM SEG	
8	Funding.....	689,948
9	(d) COM-FSM Infrastructure	
10	Improvement.....	8,545,500
11	(2) <u>Department of Finance and Administration</u>	
12	(a) FSM Warehouse Lease and	
13	Maintenance to include a rehab warehouse	
14	building for storage.....	100,000
15	(b) PCD Awareness Initiative.....	15,000
16	(c) Staff Upgrade.....	-0-
17	(3) <u>Department of Resources and Development</u>	
18	(a) FSM Association of Chamber of	
19	Commerce/Support to COC.....	67,000
20	(b) State Trade Fairs Enhancing	
21	Value Addition.....	-0-
22	(c) R&D SNLC.....	50,000
23	(d) FSM Tourism Development Framework	-0-
24	(e) National Trade Facilitation	
25	Committee.....	-0-

1	(f) Food Security Production..... \$	-0-
2	(g) Secretariat/Hosting Conference,	
3	Equipment/Materials.....	-0-
4	(h) Implement National Tourism	
5	Policy/Tourism Investment Plan.....	-0-
6	(i) Assistance to states for Tourism	
7	Investment Plan Implementation to be divided as	
8	follows:.....	2,000,000
9	(i) Yap State.....	500,000
10	a. Yap Tourism Destination	
11	Project.....	120,000
12	b. Other Tourism Projects in	
13	Accordance with Yap Tourism Plan; PROVIDED THAT,	
14	no funds may be used for travel or operation of	
15	Tourism Office.....	380,000
16	(ii) Kosrae State.....	500,000
17	(iii) Pohnpei State.....	500,000
18	(iv) Chuuk State.....	-0-
19	(j) Phase II Foreign Investment Review	-0-
20	(k) Fortieth Session of the Governing	
21	Council of International Fund for	
22	Agriculture Development.....	8,827
23	(l) National Coastal Fisheries	
24	Monitoring Team: Ongoing Monitoring	
25	Program, Assess Impacts of CEA FM	

1	Program and Climate Change.....	\$ 13,736
2	(m) Civil Organization & NGOs.....	-0-
3	(n) Chamber of Commerce: Chuuk State	50,000
4	(o) Chamber of Commerce: Kosrae State	50,000
5	(p) Chamber of Commerce: Pohnpei State	50,000
6	(q) Chamber of Commerce: Yap State..	50,000
7	(4) <u>Department of Transportation,</u>	
8	<u>Communications and Infrastructure</u>	
9	(a) Operation and Dry-Docking of	
10	Caroline Voyager and Navigator.....	1,200,000
11	(b) Capital Improvement Project:	
12	Chuuk- Weno Secondary Road and Heavy	
13	Equipment Purchase.....	300,000
14	(c) Capital Improvement Project:	
15	Kosrae- Walung Water Channel.....	300,000
16	(d) Capital Improvement Project:	
17	Pohnpei: Capital Road Improvement.....	300,000
18	(e) Capital Improvement Project:	
19	Yap - Preparation for the 2018	
20	Micro Games.....	300,000
21	(f) Outer Island Airport.....	1,000,000
22	(g) FSM National Government Computer	
23	Network.....	277,420
24	(h) ICT/World Bank Program Open	
25	Access Entity.....	500,000



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1	(i) Interim Payment to Contractor for	
2	Weno, Chuuk Road Project.....	\$ 447,000
3	(j) PMU Operations.....	200,000
4	(k) Concessional loan to support	
5	OAE initial operations and emergency fund	
6	in case of fiber optic cutting.....	500,000
7	(5) <u>Department of Justice</u>	
8	(a) Slipping of FSS Independence....	750,000
9	(b) Satellite Phone and Usage Billings	-0-
10	(c) Patrol Boats Major Maintenance	
11	Project.....	125,000
12	(d) Anti-Human Trafficking Enforcement,	
13	Campaign, and Investigation.....	100,000
14	(6) <u>Office of Environment &amp; Emergency Management</u>	
15	(a) Fostering Sustainable Solid	
16	Waste Management.....	-0-
17	(7) <u>President's Office</u>	
18	(a) FSM Trust Fund.....	14,500,000
19	(b) National Staff Upgrading.....	-0-
20	(c) FSM Economic Develop. Project...	-0-
21	(d) Implementation of ODA Policy....	50,000
22	(e) 2016 Development Partners Meeting	-0-
23	(f) Compact Review Committee.....	50,000
24	(g) Printing of Ballots for	
25	Constitutional Question.....	8,390

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1	(8) <u>National Election</u>	
2	(a) Voter ID Card and New Voter	
3	Registration Project.....	\$ 50,000
4	(9) <u>Department of Health and Social Affairs</u>	
5	(a) Health Services Special	
6	Pathologist.....	58,000
7	(b) Environment: Food & Water Lab	
8	Testing.....	78,000
9	(c) Medical Specialist Team.....	195,000
10	(d) Health data management.....	208,500
11	(e) Chuuk Food Safety Office.....	-0-
12	(f) Doctors: Foundation Project.....	127,500
13	(g) MOE-BHWP Med.....	20,000
14	(10) <u>Department of Education</u>	
15	(a) National Dept. of Education- 3	
16	Initiatives Projects.....	404,792
17	(b) Data collection & reporting	
18	(SEG Initiative).....	556,074
19	(c) Teacher and Principal Academies	
20	(SEG Initiative).....	556,074
21	(d) Aid to COM-FSM Students.....	260,000
22	(11) <u>Insurance Board</u>	
23	(a) Improve and Strengthen the	
24	Country's Insurance Statutory and	
25	Regulatory Framework.....	50,000

1	(b) In-House Consultant/ On Site	
2	Examination and Investigation of Affairs	
3	of Captive Insurance..... \$	-0-
4	(12) <u>Other Capital and Human Resource Development</u>	
5	(a) FSM Mission Repair and Maintenance	-0-
6	(b) State Judiciaries: Renovation of	
7	Chuuk State Supreme Court.....	75,000
8	(c) Upgrade: FSM internet to fiber	
9	optic.....	-0-
10	(d) Congress Committee Room	
11	renovations.....	105,687
12	(e) NORMA – Conference for	
13	Tuna Commission (2018).....	80,000
14	(f) MiCare – partial outstanding	
15	arrears owed to the Medical City.....	500,000
16	(g) Chuuk’s COVID-19 test and	
17	treatment centers needs, including Chuuk	
18	Community Health Centers and facility	
19	construction and improvements, and	
20	furniture, fixtures and equipment.....	200,000
21	(h) Chuuk Goodwill Games 2022.....	80,000
22	(i) Chuuk Women’s Council.....	40,000
23	(j) Chuuk EPA.....	80,000
24	(k) Governor’s Office, including	
25	Planning Division and Land Commission.....	150,000"

1       Section 2. Section 12 of Public Law No. 19-118, as amended by  
2 Public Law Nos. 19-125, 19-135, 20-01, 20-46 and 20-129, is hereby  
3 further amended to read as follows:

4           "Section 12. Allotment and Management of Funds and Lapse  
5 Dates.

6           (1) General provisions.

7               (a) All funds appropriated by this act shall be  
8 allotted, managed, administered and accounted for in  
9 accordance with applicable law, including, but not  
10 limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979.

11           (b) The allottees shall be responsible for  
12 ensuring that these funds, or so much thereof as may be  
13 necessary, are used solely for the purpose specified in  
14 this act, and that no obligations are incurred in excess  
15 of the sums appropriated.

16           (2) Allottees. The allottees of the funds  
17 appropriated by this act are as follows:

18               (a) Section 2 - the allottee of these funds  
19 shall be the President of the Federated States of  
20 Micronesia;

21               (b) Section 3 - the allottee of these funds  
22 shall be the Speaker of the Congress of the Federated  
23 States of Micronesia;

24               (c) Section 4 - the allottee of these funds  
25 shall be the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the



1 Federated States of Micronesia;

2 (d) Section 5 – the allottee of these funds  
3 shall be the Public Auditor of the Federated States of  
4 Micronesia;

5 (e) Sections 6 through 9 – the allottee of these  
6 funds shall be the President of the Federated States of  
7 Micronesia; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the following  
8 subsections of sections 8 through 9 of this act:

9 (i) Section 8(1)(g)(ii) – the allottee of  
10 these funds shall be the Chair of the Joint Committee on  
11 Compact Review and Planning (JCRP);

12 (ii) Section 8(6)(g) – the allottee of these  
13 funds shall be the President of the College of  
14 Micronesia – FSM;

15 (iii) Section 8(6)(h) through (i) and Section  
16 8(8)(c) – the allottee of these funds shall be the  
17 Governor of Chuuk State;

18 (iv) Section 8(9)(a) through (x) – the  
19 allottee of these funds shall be the Speaker of the  
20 Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia;

21 (v) Section 8(12)(a) through (d) – the  
22 allottee of these funds shall be the Chief Justice of  
23 the respective State Supreme Court;

24 (vi) Section 8(12)(o) – the allottee of  
25 these funds shall be the Governor of the respective

States;

(vii) Section 8(12)(p) – the allottee of these funds shall be the Governor of the State of Yap;

(viii) Section 9(1)(a) through (c) – the allottee of these funds shall be the President of the College of Micronesia-FSM;

(ix) Section 9(3)(i)(i) – the allottee of these funds shall be the Governor of the State of Yap;

(x) Section 9(3)(i)(iv), Section 9(12)(g) and Section 9(12)(h) – the allottee of these funds shall be the Governor of the State of Chuuk;

(xi) Section 9(4)(b) through (e) – the allottee of these funds shall be the Governor of the respective States;

(xii) Section 9(12)(b) – the allottee of these funds shall be the Chief Justice of the Chuuk State Supreme Court;

(xiii) Section 9(12)(d) – the allottee of these funds shall be the Speaker of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia.

(xiv) Sections 9(12)(i), (j), and (k) – the allottee of these funds shall be the Governor of the State of Chuuk.

(3) Lapse date. The authority of the allottee to obligate funds appropriated by this act shall lapse as

of September 30, 2017, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the funds appropriated under section 8(1)(g) and section 9 of this act shall not lapse and the funds appropriated under Section 8(12)(p) shall not lapse until September 30, 2018."

Section 3. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.

21 Sept., 2022

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David W. Panuelo  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia