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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend sections 403 and 405 of title 52 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended by Public Law No. 20-72, to extend MiCare Health Insurance coverage to all Micronesian citizens and FSM nationals residing in the Federated States of Micronesia, to provide that the National Government shall pay 100 percent of the premium for plan participants, and for other purposes.

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

1           Section 1. Section 403 of title 52 of the Code of the  
2   Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended by Public  
3   Law No. 20-72, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

4           **"Section 403. Eligibility.**

5           ~~[(1) All full time employees of the National~~  
6   ~~Government of the Federated States of Micronesia shall~~  
7   ~~participate in the Plan.~~

8           ~~(2) Other persons who may participate in the Plan~~  
9   ~~are:~~

10           ~~(a) The full time employees of each~~  
11   ~~participating agency and business which has entered into~~  
12   ~~a contract with the Plan whereby such agencies or~~  
13   ~~businesses have agreed to participate in the Plan.~~

14           ~~(b) The dependents of full time employees of the~~  
15   ~~National Government, participating agencies and~~  
16   ~~participating businesses;~~

17           ~~(c) Members of an employee's household who are~~

1 ~~dependent upon the employee, but are not otherwise~~  
2 ~~defined as "dependents" under the provisions of this~~  
3 ~~Act, if the employee pays 100 percent of the premiums~~  
4 ~~for such persons to the Plan;~~

5 ~~(d) Government employees whose State or agency~~  
6 ~~does not participate in the Plan, and their dependents,~~  
7 ~~if they pay 100 percent of the premiums for themselves~~  
8 ~~and the dependents to the Plan;~~

9 ~~(e) Former enrollees in the Plan, and their~~  
10 ~~dependents, if they pay 100 percent of the premiums for~~  
11 ~~themselves and their dependents to the Plan; and~~

12 ~~(f) Full time students enrolled at any~~  
13 ~~postsecondary institution in the FSM, if the~~  
14 ~~postsecondary institution has entered into a contract of~~  
15 ~~participation with the Plan and the students pay 100~~  
16 ~~percent of the premium for themselves to the Plan.~~

17 ~~(g) Individuals who were previously enrolled in~~  
18 ~~the Plan as dependents of primary enrollees if they pay~~  
19 ~~100 percent of the premiums.]~~

20 All Micronesian citizens and FSM nationals, as defined  
21 in title 7 of this code, who reside in the Federated  
22 States of Micronesia, shall participate in the plan."

23 Section 2. Section 405 of title 52 of the Code of the  
24 Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended by Public  
25 Law No. 20-72, is hereby amended to read as follows:

1           **“Section 405. Premium Contributions.**

2           ~~[Employees participating in the Plan shall contribute~~  
3           ~~the percentage of the premium not paid by their employer~~  
4           ~~for insurance under the Plan.]~~ The National Government  
5           of the Federated States of Micronesia shall contribute  
6           ~~[at least 52]~~ 100 percent of the premium for ~~[eligible~~  
7           ~~employees of the National Government participating in]~~  
8           all participants of the Plan. ~~[Any participating agency~~  
9           ~~or participating business shall contribute at least 50~~  
10           ~~percent of the premium for their employees participating~~  
11           ~~in the Plan, or may at their request contract with the~~  
12           ~~Board to contribute more than 50 percent.]~~ All  
13           contributions~~[, including premium contributions by~~  
14           ~~participating agencies, individual insureds and~~  
15           ~~participating businesses]~~ shall be deposited in the  
16           MiCare Health Insurance Fund on a timely bi-weekly basis  
17           or monthly basis, or at any timely intervals or  
18           frequency as required by Regulations of the Board.”

19           Section 3. Effective Date. The provisions of this Act shall  
20           take effect on October 1, 2022.

1           Section 4. This act shall become law upon approval by the  
2 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon becoming  
3 law without such approval.

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5 Date: 9/14/21

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