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A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the adoption of the "Code of the Federated States of Micronesia," and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Statement of intent. This act is intended to effect
2 a codification of the general and permanent National laws of the
3 Federated States of Micronesia and is not intended to effect any
4 substantive changes therein.

5 Section 2. Designation of code. The attached manuscript is
6 incorporated by reference herein and is hereby designated as the
7 "Code of the Federated States of Micronesia." This code contains the
8 National laws of the Federated States of Micronesia and is prepared
9 under the authority of the Congress of the Federated States of Micro-
10 nesia, by contract between the National Government of the Federated
11 States of Micronesia and the Book Publishing Company of Seattle,
12 Washington.

13 Section 3. Adoption as positive law.

14 (1) All enacted law of the Interim Congress of the Federated
15 States of Micronesia, except for Public Law No. IC-28, and all enacted
16 law of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia which are
17 incorporated in part II of the attached manuscript are hereby readopted
18 and reenacted as positive law of the Federated States of Micronesia in
19 the form appearing in the manuscript.

20 (2) All enacted law which is readopted and reenacted
21 pursuant to subsection (1) of this section is hereby repealed in its
22 prior form.

23 Section 4. Other documents not adopted. The inclusion in part
24 III of the attached manuscript of the documents relating to the
25 Government of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands is not to be

1 construed as an adoption of those documents or as recognition of
2 their efficacy in the Federated States of Micronesia.

3 Section 5. Laws unaffected. Nothing in this act affects the
4 validity of either appropriation laws, other temporary National laws
5 not included in this code, or laws enacted after October 1, 1981, by
6 the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia.

7 Section 6. Rights and liabilities unaffected. The repeal in
8 section 3 of this act does not affect the status of any civil or
9 criminal actions, rights, or liabilities existing before the repeal
10 takes effect.

11 Section 7. Government authority unaffected. The republication
12 in this code of Trust Territory laws and the retention of references
13 therein to the authority of the Government of the Trust Territory of
14 the Pacific Islands are not intended to alter, diminish, or in any
15 way change or affect the authority of the National Government or the
16 respective State governments of the Federated States of Micronesia over
17 the subjects of legislation included therein, as that authority has
18 been established by the Constitution of the Federated States of
19 Micronesia, the State charters or constitutions, and other applicable
20 law.

21 Section 8. State law reaffirmed. The authority of the States of
22 the Federated States of Micronesia with regard to those provisions of
23 the Trust Territory Code within the jurisdiction of the States is
24 unaffected and hereby reaffirmed.

25 Section 9. Technical amendment of prior law. Technical

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1 amendments to laws included in part II of this code, whether or not
2 those laws are readopted and reenacted pursuant to section 3 of this
3 act, are hereby enacted regarding the following:

- 4 (1) Organization and numbering of titles, chapters, sub-
5 chapters, sections, and other subparts;
- 6 (2) Changes in phraseology;
- 7 (3) Changes in introductory materials; and
- 8 (4) Correction of errors.

9 Section 10. Future amendments; citations.

10 (1) Future amendments to laws included in part II of this
11 code, whether or not those laws are readopted and reenacted pursuant
12 to section 3 of this act, shall be made with reference to such laws as
13 they appear in this code.

14 (2) The preferred citation of laws included in part II of
15 this code is as follows: first, the title number in Arabic numerals;
16 second, "F.S.M.C."; and third, section number. Example: The
17 citation of section 201, "Qualifications of Senators," of title 9,
18 "National Elections," would appear as "9 F.S.M.C. 201."

19 Section 11. Supplements as part of code.

20 (1) The laws contained in any current pocket parts or
21 supplements to this code, printed and published under contract or
22 otherwise as may be authorized by law, constitute prima facie a part
23 of this code if the laws, as so contained, purport to represent
24 reproductions of statutory amendments to this code, as stated in
25 accompanying notes thereto.

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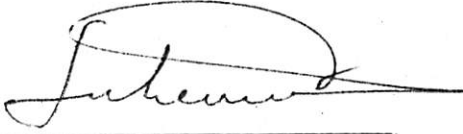
1 (2) If pocket parts or supplements are published on a
2 cumulative basis, then only the laws in the latest publication thereof
3 constitute prima facie a part of this code.

4 (3) If any discrepancy arises between the text of a
5 provision set out in the current supplement and that contained in
6 the basic act as separately printed and published by the President of
7 the Federated States of Micronesia or his designee pursuant to the
8 authority granted by law, the latter shall constitute the positive law
9 and shall control.

10 Section 12. Repealer. The Trust Territory Code to the extent it
11 is not republished herein or reaffirmed as within the jurisdiction of
12 the States by section 7 of this act is hereby repealed in its
13 entirety.

14 Section 13. Effective date. This act shall become law upon
15 approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or
16 upon its becoming law without such approval.

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18 Date: 5/24/82

Introduced by: 

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