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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To require promulgation of licensing and practice regulations for health services personnel in the Federated States of Micronesia and to authorize the issuance of licenses therefor; to repeal sections 201, 202, 203, and 210 of title 41 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. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited
2 as the "Health Services Licensing Act."

3 Section 2. Definitions. As used herein, unless otherwise indicated
4 by the context:

5 (1) "President" means the President of the Federated States
6 of Micronesia.

7 (2) "Secretary of Social Services" means the Secretary of the
8 Department of Social Services of the Federated States of Micronesia.

9 Section 3. Establishment of regulations required and licensure of
10 health services personnel authorized.

11 (1) The Secretary of Social Services pursuant to the provisions
12 of section 9 of this act, shall establish regulations which set forth
13 licensing and practicing standards for persons desiring to practice, or
14 persons practicing medicine, surgery, dentistry, nursing, and other
15 health related services in the Federated States of Micronesia.

16 (2) All persons are prohibited from practicing such professions
17 in the Federated States of Micronesia, except in an apprentice capacity
18 under approved supervision, unless duly licensed or certified by the
19 President of the Federated States of Micronesia as hereby authorized and
20 in accordance with the licensing standards as set forth in the regulations
21 promulgated hereunder.

22 Section 4. Record of license. A permanent record of each license
23 issued and each license renewed in accordance with the provisions of this
24 act shall be maintained in a registry by the Division of Health Services,
25 Department of Social Services, Federated States of Micronesia.

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1 Section 5. Existing Trust Territory licenses. Any health service
2 related license issued pursuant to the authority of section 201 of title
3 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, and in effect on
4 the effective date of this act, shall remain valid in the Federated
5 States of Micronesia until its expiration date, upon which time the
6 licensing requirements of this act and regulations promulgated hereunder
7 shall be complied with.

8 Section 6. Revocation or suspension of license. Any license is-
9 sued or in effect pursuant to the provisions of this act may be revoked
10 or suspended for cause by the Secretary of Social Services after due
11 notice to the licensee, in writing, of the charge or charges that have
12 been made, and the time and place where evidence in support of the same
13 will be heard; PROVIDED that the licensee shall have had the opportunity
14 to present evidence and be heard in his own defense.

15 Section 7. Penalty. A person who violates any of the provisions
16 of this act or regulations promulgated hereunder shall be deemed guilty
17 of a crime and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than
18 \$1,000, or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both.

19 Section 8. Repealer. Sections 201, 202, 203, and 210 of title 41 of
20 the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia and rules and regulations
21 issued and promulgated thereto, insofar as they apply to the National
22 Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, are hereby repealed in
23 their entirety.

24 Section 9. Regulations. The Secretary of Social Services, upon
25 approval by the President, is hereby authorized to issue and promulgate

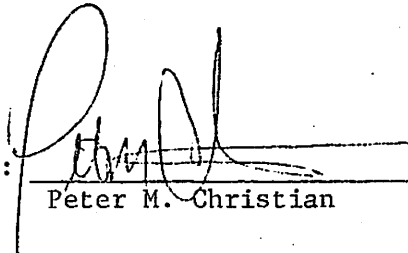
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1 regulations implementing the provisions of this act, which regulations
2 shall have the force and effect of law.

3 Section 10. Effective date. This act shall become law upon approval
4 by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becom-
5 ing law without such approval.

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7 Date: May 21, 1983

Introduced by: 
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