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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To propose an amendment to article IX, section 8, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia to provide for 4-year terms for all Members of Congress, and for other purposes.

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

1       Section 1. Proposed amendment. It is hereby proposed that article  
2 IX, section 8, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia  
3 be amended to read as follows:

4               "Section 8. The Congress consists of one member elected at  
5 large from each state on the basis of state equality, and  
6 additional members elected from congressional districts in  
7 each state apportioned by population. All members elected  
8 on the basis of state equality serve for a 4-year term, ~~and~~  
9 all other members for 2 years; PROVIDED that only those mem-  
10 bers elected at large are eligible to become President and  
11 Vice-President of the Federated States of Micronesia. Each  
12 member has one vote, except on the final reading of bills.  
13 Congressional elections are held ~~biennially~~ quadrennially as  
14 provided by statute."

15       Section 2. Procedure. Upon this act becoming law, the proposed  
16 constitutional amendment set out in section 1 will become part of the  
17 Constitution after completion of procedures and ratification as required  
18 by Public Law No. 2-51.

19       Section 3. Effective date. This act shall become law upon approval  
20 by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its be-  
21 coming law without such approval.

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23 Date: 05-18-1985

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