A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend title 22 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia by adding a new section 218 to ban the importation of soft drinks for a period of 6 months to encourage the development of the coconut industry, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Title 22 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby amended by the addition of a new section 218 to read as follows:

"Section 218. Coconut support program. It shall be unlawful to import soft drinks into the Federated States of Micronesia for a period of 6 months from the effective date of this act. For purposes of this act, 'soft drink' means a nonalcoholic, nondairy beverage for human consumption, which is manufactured by the addition of a flavored extract to water or carbonated water. Violation of this act is punishable by a fine of $1,000 for each violation. Each packaged unit of soft drink shall be considered a separate violation."

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

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