FIFTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 1988

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend Public Law No. 5-40 by adding a new section 15 for the purpose of providing for the applicability of the act to offenses committed before and after the effective date of the act, to continue in effect the prior law for the purpose of prosecution for offenses committed before the effective date of such law, by renumbering section 15, and for other purposes.

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

1. Section 1. Public Law No. 5-40 is hereby amended by adding a new section 15 to read as follows:

"Section 15. Applicability to offenses committed before and after the effective date.

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, this act does not apply to offenses committed before its effective date. For purposes of this section, an offense is committed before the effective date if any of the elements of the offense occurred before that date.

(2) Prosecutions for offenses committed before the effective date of this act are governed by the prior law, which is continued in effect for that purpose, as if this act were not in force. Prosecutions under this section for offenses committed before the effective date of this act shall be under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the Federated States of Micronesia."

2. Section 2. Section 15 of Public Law No. 5-40 is hereby renumbered as section 16.

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

Date: 1/7/88

Introduced by: Claude H. Phillips
(by request)