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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To establish a National Communications Commission for the Federated States of Micronesia to regulate communications activities in 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 as the "National
2 Communications Commission Act."

3 Section 2. Establishment of the National Communications Commis-
4 sion. There is hereby established the National Communications
5 Commission of the Federated States of Micronesia for the purpose of
6 regulating and coordinating all communications activities in the
7 Federated States of Micronesia.

8 Section 3. Structure and Organization of the Commission. The
9 Commission shall consist of three members, two of whom shall be
10 appointed by the President, and the Secretary of the Department of
11 Transportation, who shall be an ex officio member and the Chairman of
12 the Commission. The Commission shall meet when called by the
13 Chairman and at a time and place designated by the Chairman.

14 Section 4. Authority of the Commission. The National Communica-
15 tions Commission is hereby authorized and directed to:

16 (1) Issue, deny or revoke permits for the construction of
17 any communications facilities;

18 (2) Issue, modify, renew, and approve the assignment or
19 transfer of licenses for operators of communications equipment;

20 (3) Issue, deny, or revoke certification of cable tele-
21 vision operations;

22 (4) Issue regulations covering the following radio
23 services: aviation, marine, amateur, public safety, government
24 use, land transportation (taxi cabs), citizen or CB radio and
25 compulsory provisions of National laws and treaties covering the

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1 use of radio for safety of life at sea;

2 (5) Review, grant or modify rate increases proposed
3 annually by the Telecommunications Corporation of the Federated
4 States of Micronesia;

5 (6) Hear appeals and make final determinations on such
6 appeals from any of its initial decisions with regard to the
7 above; and

8 (7) Issue internal regulations to implement the provisions
9 of this act.

10 Section 5. Compensation and support assistance. The members of
11 the National Communications Commission shall serve without compensa-
12 tion; however, the Commission may request annual appropriations to
13 provide for member or staff travel. The Chairman of the Commission
14 may assign employees of the Department of Transportation to assist
15 the Commission in carrying out its functions under this act and may
16 request the assignment of additional personnel, space and equipment
17 from the President.

18 Section 6. Effective date. This act shall become law upon
19 approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or
20 upon its becoming law without such approval.

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22 Date: Nov. 29, 1989

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