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SIXTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 1990

C. B. No. 6-282

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To propose an amendment to sections 8 and 11 of article IX and section 4 of article X of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia to provide that all Members of Congress shall be elected for a 4-year term and shall be eligible to be President and Vice-President, 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
2 section 8 of article IX of the Constitution of the Federated
3 States of Micronesia be amended to read as follows:

4 "Section 8. The Congress consists of one member
5 elected at large from each state on the basis of state
6 equality, and additional members elected from congressional
7 districts in each state apportioned by population. Members
8 ~~elected on the basis of state equality~~ serve for a 4-year
9 term, ~~and all other members for 2 years.~~ Each member has
10 one vote, except on the final reading of bills.
11 Congressional elections are held biennially as provided by
12 statute."

13 Section 2. Proposed amendment. It is hereby proposed that
14 section 11 of article IX of the Constitution of the Federated
15 States of Micronesia be amended to read as follows:

16 "Section 11. A state may provide that one of its
17 seats is set aside for a traditional leader who shall be
18 chosen as provided by statute ~~for a 2-year term~~, in lieu of
19 one representative elected on the basis of population. The
20 number of congressional districts shall be reduced and
21 reapportioned accordingly."

22 Section 3. Proposed amendment. It is hereby proposed that
23 section 4 of article X of the Constitution of the Federated States of
24 Micronesia be amended to read as follows:

25 "Section 4. A person is ineligible to become

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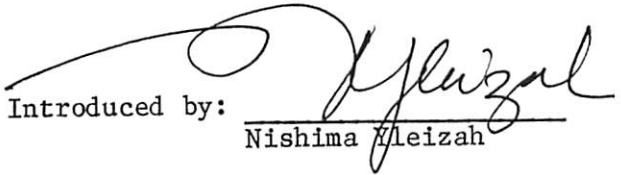
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1 President unless he is a member of Congress ~~for a 4-year~~
2 ~~term~~, a citizen of the Federated States of Micronesia by
3 birth, and a resident of the Federated States of Micronesia
4 for at least 15 years."

5 Section 4. Procedure. Upon this act becoming law, the proposed
6 constitutional amendment set out in sections 1, 2 and 3 will become
7 part of the Constitution after completion of procedures and
8 ratification as required by chapter 7 of title 1 of the Code of the
9 Federated States of Micronesia.

10 Section 5. Effective date. This act shall become law upon
11 approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or
12 upon its becoming law without such approval.

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14 Date: 10/9/90

Introduced by: 
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