SIXTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 1990
C. B. No. _G-300_

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To propose an amendment to sections 8, 10 and 11 of article IX and section 4 of article X of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia to provide that there shall be 14 Members of Congress and all of them shall be elected at large from the entire Nation, 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 section 8 of article IX of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia be amended to read as follows:

"Section 8. The Congress consists of the fourteen members elected at large from each state or the basis of state equality, and additional members elected from congressional districts in each state as appointed by population. Members elected on the basis of state equality serve for a 4-year term, and all other members for 2 years. Each member has one vote, provided on the first and final reading of bills. Congressional elections are held biennially as provided by statute."

2. Section 2. Proposed amendment. It is hereby proposed that section 10 of article IX of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia be repealed as follows:

"Section 10. At least every 10 years Congress shall by apportionment on the basis of population in addition to the members of Congress on the basis of population in addition to the number of representatives of the districted shall be apportioned by the Governor."

3. Section 3. Proposed amendment. It is hereby proposed that section 11 of article IX of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia be amended to read as follows:

"Section 11. Members of Congress shall be apportioned on the basis of population for each state."

Sincerely,

[Signature]
1 States of Micronesia be amended to read as follows:
2 "Section 10. A state may provide that one of its
3 seats is set aside for a traditional leader who shall be
4 chosen as provided by statute tōt a Ḋiržeč Ḋieša, in lieu of
5 one representative elected on the basis of population. The
6 number of congressional districts shall be reduced and
7 reapportioned accordingly."
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9 Section 4. Proposed amendment. It is hereby proposed that
10 section 4 of article X of the Constitution of the Federated States of
11 Micronesia be amended to read as follows:
12 "Section 4. A person is ineligible to become
13 President unless he is a member of Congress tōt a Ḋiržeč
14 Ḋieša, a citizen of the Federated States of Micronesia by
15 birth, and a resident of the Federated States of Micronesia
16 for at least 15 years."
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18 Section 5. Sections 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and
19 22 of article IX of the Constitution of the Federated States of
20 Micronesia are hereby renumbered as sections 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16,
21 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 respectively.
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23 Section 6. Procedure. Upon this act becoming law, the proposed
24 constitutional amendment set out in sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 will
25 become part of the Constitution after completion of procedures and
26 ratification as required by chapter 7 of title 1 of the Code of the
27 Federated States of Micronesia.
Section 7. Effective date. 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: 10-18-90

Introduced by:

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