A BILL FOR AN ACT

To propose an amendment to section 9 of article XI of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia to provide that persons graduated from accredited law schools in any country shall be admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the Federated States of Micronesia without examination, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Proposed amendment. It is hereby proposed that section 9 of article XI of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia be amended to read as follows:

"Section 9. The Chief Justice is the chief administrator of the national judicial system and may appoint an administrative officer who is exempt from civil service. The Chief Justice shall make and publish and may amend rules governing national courts, and by rule may:

(a) divide the inferior national courts and the trial division of the Supreme Court into geographical or functional divisions;

(b) assign judges among the divisions of a court and give special assignments to retired Supreme Court justices and judges of state and other courts;

(c) establish rules of procedure and evidence;

(d) govern the transfer of cases between state and national courts;

(e) govern the admission to practice and discipline of attorneys and the retirement of judges; provided that, otherwise qualified graduates of accredited law schools in any country shall be admitted to practice before the Supreme Court without examination; and

(f) otherwise provide for the administration of the national judiciary. Judicial rules may be amended by statute."
Section 2. Procedure. Upon this act becoming law, the proposed constitutional amendment set out in section 1 will become part of the Constitution after completion of procedures and ratification as required by chapter 7 of title 1 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Section 3. 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: 10-29-90

Introduced by: [Signature]

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