EIGHTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 1993

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 54 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by adding a new section 119 for the purpose of requiring taxpayer identification numbers, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Title 54 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section 119 to read as follows:

"Section 119. Taxpayer identification numbers.

(1) Every taxpayer is required to obtain a taxpayer identification number and to include that number on all returns or other communications from the taxpayer to the Department of Finance.

(2) For a taxpayer who is or is required to be registered with the Federated States of Micronesia Social Security Administration, the taxpayer identification number shall be that taxpayer's employer or employer social security account number. For any other taxpayer, the Social Security Administration shall issue an employer social security account number (whether or not that taxpayer is an employer for social security purposes) within one month after the taxpayer has applied for same in writing, and thereafter said social security account number shall be that taxpayer's tax identification number.

(3) It is the responsibility of each existing taxpayer who lacks a taxpayer identification number to apply for one within three months after this section 119 becomes law.

(4) After this section 119 has been law for four
months, no person or other entity shall commence or
continue any business, commerce, importing, profession,
occupation, employment, or other activity which is
taxable by the National Government unless such person or
entity shall have first obtained a taxpayer
identification number. The Secretary is authorized to
provide for the uniform assessment of fines for
violation of this subsection in an amount not to exceed
$250 for each month or fraction thereof that the
violation exists.

(5) After this section 119 has been law for four
months, each department, office, administration,
authority, branch, bureau, instrumentality, public
corporation, and other arm (collectively 'agency') of
the National Government shall be required, and each
agency of any State or local government is encouraged,
to require inclusion of taxpayer identification numbers
on all permits or licenses of any sort, including
extensions or renewals thereof, issued to a taxpayer by
that agency."

Section 2. 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: 11/04/93

Introduced by: [Signature]

(by request)