## A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend section 226 of Title 55, as amended by Public Law No. 11-80, by inserting a new subsection 2 (c), to require the Secretary of Finance and Administration to certify the submission of revenue projections, under oath, as to the best estimates available or, in the event of perjury, misleading submission, or failure to report revenues known to be available, be subject to a fine not to exceed \$1000, and for other purposes.

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

- 1 Section 1. Policy and Purpose. The purpose of this bill is
- 2 ensure that the Secretary of Finance and Administration complies
- 3 with title 55, section 226 and provides Congress with the best
- 4 available revenue projection. Congress relies upon the revenue
- 5 projections provided by the Secretary of Finance and
- 6 Administration to appropriate funds; therefore they must have the
- 7 best estimate available to ensure the Nation will not exceed its
- 8 budget for the fiscal year.
- 9 Section 2. Section 226 of Title 55, as amended by Public Law
- 10 No. 11-80, is hereby further amended by inserting a new subsection
- 11 2(c) to read as follows:
- "Section 226. Required reports.
- 13 (1) Required reports from allottees.
- 14 (a) Not later than May 1 of each year, each allottee
- shall submit a report to the Congress of the Federated
- 16 States of Micronesia which shall provide for the full
- accounting of each line item, or subsection apportioning

funds, as of the end of the second quarter of the fiscal year, detailing obligations incurred against all sums appropriated by the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia or made available to an allottee from other sources, to include a detailed explanation and full justification for each major deviation from a line item, or subsection apportioning funds.

- (b) Not later than October 31 of each year, each allottee shall submit a report to the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia which shall provide for the full accounting of each line item, or subsection apportioning funds as of the end of the fiscal year, detailing obligations and expenditures incurred against all sums appropriated by the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia or made available to an allottee from other sources, to include a detailed explanation and full justification for each major deviation from a line item, or subsection apportioning funds.
- (c) The reports required by subparagraphs (a) and (b) above shall include a statement by the allottee of the status of the project, program, or list the achievements of the department or agency for which the funds were allotted. For all allottees, except those receiving allotments for governmental operations, the statement shall detail the percentage of completion of the project or program and shall

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include an estimation of the completion date for the project or program, where appropriate.

- (2) Required reports from the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration.
- (a) Not later than January 31 of each year, the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration shall submit unaudited financial statements of the National Government to the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, or, he shall provide in writing, an explanation of why he is unable to provide such reports. The explanation shall include a date by which he will provide the required reports.
- (b) Ten days prior to each session of Congress, whether a regular or special session, the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration shall submit, to the Speaker of the Congress and to the Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, an accurate report of current projected revenues for the fiscal year. This report shall detail projected revenues by source and shall reflect appropriations made during the fiscal year. The report should show the balance of funds available for appropriation by the Congress.
- (c) The revenue projections provided by the Secretary of Finance and Administration shall be certified, under oath, as the best estimates available. In the instance that

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the revenue projection is found to be misleading, false, or
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          there is a failure to report revenue known to be available,
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          the Secretary of Finance and Administration shall be subject
          to a fine not to exceed $1000."
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         Section 3. This act shall become law upon approval by the
   President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
   becoming law without such approval.
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   Date: <u>10/03/14</u>
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