A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend sections 221 and 805 of title 54 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended by Public Law No. 18-107, to increase the import duties levied on used vehicles, to designate the use of certain revenues collected under 221, and for other purposes.

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 221 of title 54 of the Code of the
- 2 Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, is
- 3 hereby amended to read as follows:
- 4 "Section 221. Levy and rates.
- 5 The following import duties are hereby levied on
- 6 all products specified herein which are imported
- 7 into the FSM:
- 8 (1) cigarettes, at the rate of \$0.025 per
- 9 cigarette, provided that this rate shall increase
- by \$0.005 per cigarette on January 1 of each of
- 11 the years 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013 and 2015;
- 12 (2) tobacco, other than cigarettes, at the rate
- of 50 percent ad valorem;
- 14 (3) perfumery, cosmetics, and toiletries,
- including cologne and other toilet waters,
- 16 articles of perfumery, whether in sachets or
- otherwise, and all preparations used as
- applications to the hair or skin, lipsticks,

1 pomades, powders, and other toilet preparations 2 not having medicinal properties, at the rate of 25 percent ad valorem; 3 (4) soft drinks, drink mixes, drink 4 5 preparations, coffee, tea, and nonalcoholic beverages, at the rate of 25 percent ad valorem, 6 7 provided, however, that any beverage having a fruit juice content of 25 percent or more by 8 9 volume shall be at the rate of three percent ad 10 valorem; (5) beer and malt beverages, at the rate of 11 \$0.25 per 12 fluid ounces; 12 (6) distilled alcoholic beverages, at the rate 13 14 of 12 dollars per gallon; 15 (7) wine at the rate of 30 percent ad valorem; 16 (8) foodstuffs for human consumption, at the 17 rate of three percent ad valorem; provided, however, that fresh and frozen fish and seafood, 18 shall be at the rate of 25 percent ad valorem; 19 20 (9) gasoline and diesel fuel, at the rate of 21 five cents per gallon; (10) laundry bar soap, at the rate of 25 percent ad 22 23 valorem; [and] 24 (11) automobiles, ten years or older, weighing less than 1,400 kg, at the rate of 25 percent, CIF; 25

1 (12) automobiles, ten years or older, weighing 2 1,400 kg or more, at the rate of 50 percent, CIF; $[\frac{(11)}{(11)}]$ (13) automobiles, less than ten years old, 3 4 regardless of their weight, at a rate of 10 percent, 5 CIF; and 6 (14) all other imported products, except those 7 specified above, at the rate of four percent ad valorem." 8 Section 2. Section 805 of title 54 of the Code of 9 10 the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended by Public Law No. 18-107, is hereby further amended to 11 read as follows: 12 "Section 805. Distribution of revenues. 13 14 (1)(a) The treasurer of the Federated States of 15 Micronesia shall pay eighty percent of the net taxes collected pursuant to section 221(9) of this title, and 16 17 fifty percent [at] of the National Government's share of 18 all other net taxes collected pursuant to sections 121, 19 141, and 221 of this title into the treasury of the State government to which the taxes are attributable for 20 21 appropriation by the State legislature. 22 (b) An additional twenty percent of the total 23 of all other net taxes collected pursuant to sections 24 121, 141, and 221 of this title after the Treasurer

of the Federated States of Micronesia has
administered distribution under subsection (A) shall
be deposited by the treasurer of the Federated States
of Micronesia into the State sub-account "A" of the
FSM Trust Fund on behalf of the National Government
for the State government to which the taxes are
attributable. The additional twenty percent (20%)
deposited by the National Government into individual
States sub-account A may not be withdrawn by the
States.

- (c) Twenty-five percent of the amount remaining, after the transfer of funds pursuant to subsections 1(a) and 1(b) of this section, of the net taxes collected pursuant to subsection 221(1) of this title shall be placed in an account to be used solely for post-graduate school scholarships or full-time post-secondary courses of study leading to commercial Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) licenses, ratings and certifications. The allottee of the scholarship funds shall be the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or his designee.
- (d) The treasurer of the Federated States of Micronesia shall pay the national government's share of the net taxes collected pursuant to sections

 221(11)-(13) of this title, into a fund designated

1	for road maintenance as established by the States.
2	[(d)](e) Except as specifically provided in parts
3	(a), (b), (c) and $[(c)]$ (d) of this subsection, all
4	net taxes collected shall be part of the General Fund
5	of the Federated States of Micronesia, subject to
6	appropriation by Congress pursuant to title 55 of the
7	Code of the Federated States of Micronesia.
8	(2) 'Net taxes' as used in subsection (1) of this
9	section means gross collections of taxes, penalties,
10	interest, or other related charges less refunds."
11	Section 3. This act shall become law upon approval by the
12	President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
13	becoming law without such approval.
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15	Date:7/2/21 Introduced by: /s/ Ferny S. Perman
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