

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend section 3 of Public Law No. 22-153, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 22-169, 22-181 and 22-204, to appropriate 700,000 from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, to provide supplemental funding for the operations of of the Legislative Branch of the National Government, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 3 of Public Law No. 22-153, as amended
2 by Public Laws Nos. 22-169, 22-181 and 22-204, is hereby further
3 amended to read as follows:

4 "Section 3. Operating Expenses of the Legislative
5 Branch.

6 The sum of [~~\$11,172,628~~] 11,872,628 or so much thereof
7 as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the
8 General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for
9 the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, for the
10 operations of the Legislative Branch of the National
11 Government during fiscal year 2023. The sum
12 appropriated by this section shall be apportioned as
13 follows:

14 (1) Speaker and Members.

15 The sum of [~~\$4,773,491,~~] 5,473,491 or so much thereof as
16 may be necessary, for the operations of the Office of
17 the Speaker and Members of the Congress of the Federated
18 States of Micronesia during fiscal year 2023. The sum

1 appropriated herein shall be apportioned as follows:

2	Personnel	\$	840,650
3	Travel		858,241
4	Contractual Services, of which up to \$350,000		
5	may be used to assist Members and staff		
6	with current and prior year medical costs,		
7	and up to \$20,000 may be used to pay for		
8	outstanding prior year obligations. [3,039,600]		<u>3,739,600</u>
9	OCE		-0-
10	Fixed Assets		35,000

11 (2) Staff Offices.

12 The sum of \$3,779,137, or so much thereof as may be
 13 necessary, for the operations of the Congress staff
 14 offices during fiscal year 2023. The sum
 15 appropriated herein shall be apportioned as
 16 follows:

17	Personnel	\$	1,858,137
18	Travel.....		300,000
19	Contractual Services, of which up to \$25,000		
20	may be used to pay for outstanding prior year		
21	obligations.....		992,000
22	OCE, of which up to \$20,000 may be used to pay		
23	for outstanding prior year obligations ..		319,000
24	Fixed Assets.....		310,000

25 (3) Congress Delegation Offices.

1 The sum of \$2,620,000 or so much thereof as may be
 2 necessary, for the operations of the Congress delegation
 3 offices during the fiscal year 2023. Of the amounts
 4 appropriated for contractual services within each
 5 Delegation Office, up to a maximum of \$175,000 per
 6 Member, at the Delegation Offices' discretion, may be
 7 used for Representation including prior years
 8 reimbursable expenses and other obligations. Any
 9 unexpended Representation funds shall lapse into the FSM
 10 Trust Fund state sub-account of the respective state or
 11 states, which had remaining unexpended Representation
 12 funds. The sum appropriated is apportioned as follows:

13 (a) Kosrae Delegation Office

14 Travel	\$	-0-
15 Contractual Services		350,000
16 OCE		25,000
17 Fixed Assets.....		-0-
18 TOTAL.....		375,000

19 (b) Pohnpei Delegation Office

20 Travel.....		3,000
21 Contractual Services		700,000
22 OCE.....		42,000
23 Fixed Assets.....		-0-
24 TOTAL		745,000

25 (c) Chuuk Delegation Office

1	Travel	\$	-0-
2	Contractual Services.....		1,060,000
3	OCE.....		45,000
4	Fixed Assets.....		10,000
5	TOTAL.....		1,115,000

6 (d) Yap Delegation Office

7	Travel		13,000
8	Contractual Services.....		345,000
9	OCE.....		22,000
10	Fixed Assets.....		5,000
11	TOTAL.....		385,000"

12 Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the
13 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
14 becoming law without such approval.

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16 Date: 5/17/23

Introduced by: /s/ Victor V. Gouland
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