



*The President*  
*Palikir, Pohnpei*  
*Federated States of Micronesia*

May 31, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert  
Speaker  
18<sup>th</sup> FSM Congress  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941



PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-297  
FSM CONGRESS

Dear Speaker Halbert:

I am returning the following Congressional Acts, which have become public laws without signature:

Public Law No. 18-63, Congressional Act No. 18-65, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-35, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-49 AND 18-61, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE STATES OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-64, Congressional Act No. 18-67, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-59, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-63, 17-66, 17-70, 17-77, 17-86, 18-21 AND 18-29, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-65, Congressional Act No. 18-68, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-36, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-48, 17-78, 17-87, 18-36 AND 18-60, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 4 AND 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-66, Congressional Act No. 18-69, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-50, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-04, 17-53 AND 18-37, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 1 AND 2 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-67, Congressional Act No. 18-64, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-36, 15-44, 15-57, 15-63, 15-72, 15-78, 16-03, 16-11, 16-33, 16-46, 17-12, 17-21, 17-33, 17-40 AND 18-17, BY AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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The above congressional acts have changed the various appropriations for public project and social programs in their amount, purpose, and allottee of funds. Although the changes do not involve any increase in the allocation of funds among the four States, still the changes have adverse consequences on the effective implementation of public projects and social programs.

Upon review, the Acts reveal the following common characteristics:

1. There were no public hearings.
2. Except for Congressional Act No. 18-64, all the Congressional Acts do not have committee reports.
3. There have been multiple amendments to the original appropriations. The multiple amendments result in confusion as to the true intention of Congress in appropriating funds for the public projects and social programs, and create difficulties in implementing them, such as tracking of the numerous changes that have occurred over multiple fiscal years.
4. Most of the changes of recipients and use of funds are without clear justification and reasoning behind the changes.

The above Acts are examples of defective appropriation of public projects and social programs. As I stated in prior transmittals, it would be most helpful if Congress would set a policy limiting the subsequent amendments to a maximum of only three per Act in order to avoid the problems outlined above. All the above acts involve more than 3 amendments. In fact, the most number of amendments is 16.

Therefore, I return these Acts without signature.

Sincerely,



President

Enclosures:

cc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court  
Secretary, Department of Justice  
Director, Office of SBOC  
Legislative Counsel, CFSM  
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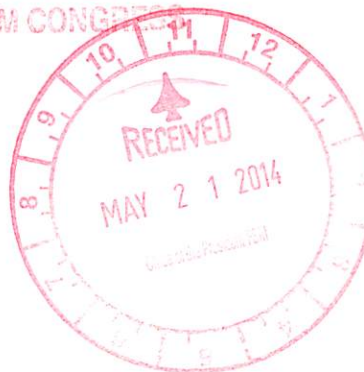
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May 21, 2014

His Excellency Manny Mori  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia  
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Dear President Mori:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 18-64, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-36, 15-44, 15-57, 15-63, 15-72, 15-78, 16-03, 16-11, 16-33, 16-46, 17-12, 17-21, 17-33, 17-40 AND 18-17, BY AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2014, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk, Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures





PUBLIC LAW No. 18- **67**

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE  
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA  
FOURTH REGULAR SESSION  
MAY 12 - 31, 2014

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-297  
FSM CONGRESS

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## An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-36, 15-44, 15-57, 15-63, 15-72, 15-78, 16-03, 16-11, 16-33, 16-46, 17-12, 17-21, 17-33, 17-40 AND 18-17, BY AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: JOSEPH J. URUSEMAL

DATE: MAY 16, 2014

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REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

S.C.R. NO. 18-149 – MAY 19, 2014

FIRST READING: MAY 19, 2014

SECOND READING: MAY 20, 2014

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Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress





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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-297  
FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 18-64

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-168)

We hereby certify that on May 20 the foregoing act passed  
Second and Final Reading of the Eighteenth Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session,  
2014, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as  
required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution  
of the Federated States of Micronesia.

  
Dohsis Halbert  
Speaker  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

  
Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2014

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-168  
**PUBLIC LAW No. 18- 67**

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AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 15-32, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 15-36, 15-44, 15-57, 15-63, 15-72, 15-78, 16-03, 16-11, 16-33, 16-46, 17-12, 17-21, 17-33, 17-40 and 18-17, by amending section 1 thereof, to change the use of certain funds previously appropriated therein for the State of Yap, and for other purposes.

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

1       Section 1. Section 1 of Public Law No. 15-32, as amended  
2 by Public Laws Nos. 15-36, 15-44, 15-57, 15-63, 15-72, 15-78,  
3 16-03, 16-11, 16-33, 16-46, 17-12, 17-21, 17-33 and 17-40, is  
4 hereby further amended to read as follows:

5               "Section 1. The sum of \$3,780,000, or so much  
6 thereof, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund  
7 of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal  
8 year ending September 30, 2008, for the purpose of  
9 funding public projects and social programs in each  
10 State of the Federated States of Micronesia. The  
11 fund shall be apportioned on the basis of \$250,000 or  
12 less per member of Congress as follows, PROVIDED THAT  
13 an increase of \$300,000 is for Yap State.

14               (1) State of Kosrae.....\$           500,000

15                       (a) High School lunch program and  
16 past expenses incurred relating to the  
17 implementation of the program.....           48,000

18                       (b) Bachelor degree program.....           80,000

1	(c) Lelu Community projects/programs	\$ 10,000
2	(d) Malem Community projects/	
3	programs .....	10,000
4	(e) Utwe Community projects/	
5	programs .....	10,000
6	(f) Tafunsak Community projects/	
7	programs .....	10,000
8	(g) Kosrae Women Association.....	10,000
9	(h) Promotion and travel for	
10	Tourism Office .....	10,000
11	(i) Kosrae State Government subsidy.	100,000
12	(j) Medical referrals for	
13	non-insured and non-employed Kosraeans .....	20,000
14	PROVIDED THAT reprogramming of this	
15	funding is not allowed	
16	(k) Supplemental funding for fuel	
17	for Caroline Voyager .....	-0-
18	(l) Tafunsak multipurpose	
19	building renovation .....	20,000
20	(m) Laptop Computers for Schools:	
21	(i) Lelu Elementary School.....	1,250
22	(ii) Tafunsak Elementary School.	1,250
23	(iii) Malem Elementary School....	1,250
24	(iv) Utwa Elementary School.....	1,250
25	(v) Walung Elementary School...	1,250

1	(vi) Sansrik Elementary School..\$	1,250
2	(vii) SDA School.....	1,250
3	(viii) Kosrae High School.....	1,250
4	(n) Kosrae Senior Citizens Meeting Halls	
5	(i) Lelu Senior Citizen.....	30,000
6	(ii) Tafunsak Senior Citizen....	30,000
7	(iii) Malem Senior Citizen.....	30,000
8	(iv) Utwa Senior Citizen.....	30,000
9	(o) Supplemental funding for	
10	a Master's Degree Program .....	8,000
11	(p) Tafunsak Youths' musical instruments	5,000
12	(q) KCSO's subsidy.....	5,000
13	(r) National Government debts to	
14	ABCOR Construction .....	12,000
15	(s) Kosrae Women Christian Associations	
16	(i) Lelu Women Christian	
17	Association .....	2,000
18	(ii) Tafunsak Women Christian	
19	Association .....	2,000
20	(iii) Malem Women Christian	
21	Association .....	2,000
22	(iv) Utwa Women Christian	
23	Association .....	2,000
24	(v) Walung Women Christian	
25	Association .....	2,000



1	equipment .....	\$ 25,000
2	(xiv) Seawall and Taro	
3	Patchs Protection .....	10,000
4	(xv) Multipurpose building	
5	repair and renovation .....	5,000
6	(xvi) Feeding program.....	10,000
7	(xvii) Medical referral and	
8	repatriation of remains .....	10,000
9	(xviii) OCHAP Community	
10	Hall Construction .....	5,000
11	(xix) Tonoas Municipal Government	
12	inauguration activities .....	1,000
13	(xx) Udot Municipal Government	
14	inauguration activities .....	1,000
15	(xxi) Kuttu Municipal Government	
16	inauguration activities .....	1,000
17	(b) Election District No. 1	
18	(i) Students' Financial Assistance	-0-
19	(ii) Mortlock Development	
20	Commission outstanding debts (past and	
21	present) .....	8,119
22	(iii) Municipal Governments' subsidy	
23	a. Ta Municipality.....	3,000
24	(iv) Community Housing improvement/	
25	freight or charter .....	45,000

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1	(v) Leadership Conference.....\$	15,000
2	(vi) Leadership travel.....	10,000
3	(vii) Youth musical instruments..	-0-
4	(viii) Housing Improvement.....	21,881
5	(ix) Transportation needs.....	5,851
6	(x) CSCIP.....	4,149
7	(xi) Sea transportation	
8	assistance .....	7,200
9	(xii) Mortlock Development	
10	Community operation .....	22,800
11	(xiii) Pou (Weno) Community Center	
12	Improvement .....	-0-
13	(xiv) Health and Sanitary project	11,000
14	(xv) ED #1 Operation.....	11,000
15	(xvi) Administrative Support	
16	costs for Delegation .....	-0-
17	(xvii) Food Relief Assistance.....	-0-
18	(xviii) Solar system project.....	85,000
19	(c) Election District No. 2	
20	(i) Basketball court.....	7,000
21	(ii) Meeting Halls	
22	(a) Neoram, Nepukos.....	10,000
23	(b) Faichu, Eor.....	6,000
24	(c) Faramas, Sapuk.....	4,000
25	(d) Neinifach, Mwan.....	5,000

1	(iii) Public/School/Bus	
2	Operation .....	\$ 35,000
3	(iv) Road Construction .....	-0-
4	(v) Repatriation of human remains	6,000
5	(vi) Kokumy cultural celebration	4,000
6	(vii) CSCIP .....	10,000
7	(viii) NNDA operation .....	25,000
8	(ix) Housing Assistance .....	15,000
9	(x) Fishing projects .....	20,000
10	(xi) Medical supplies & equipments	-0-
11	(xii) Leadership travel & exposure	10,000
12	(xiii) Public facilities repair	
13	and improvement .....	33,000
14	(xiv) Purchase of Heavy equipment	
15	and heavy equipment parts .....	40,000
16	(d) Election District No. 3	
17	(i) Election District	
18	No. 3 Operation .....	25,000
19	(ii) Housing and Community Halls	45,500
20	(iii) Fishing projects .....	15,000
21	(iv) Fiberglass boats repair ....	5,000
22	(v) Municipal inauguration	
23	activities .....	4,500
24	(vi) Sport Tournaments	
25	facilities/supplies .....	3,000



1	(vi) Udot Municipal subsidy....\$	10,000
2	(vii) Low income housing grant...	40,000
3	(viii) Iongkumi fishing project...	40,000
4	(ix) Fiberglass boats repair....	10,000
5	(x) Food relief.....	10,000
6	(xi) Land transportation.....	20,000
7	(xii) Polle Municipal subsidy....	10,000
8	(xiii) ED #4 office operation.....	30,000
9	(xiv) Famachaw farming project...	10,000
10	(xv) Medical referrals &	
11	repatriation of remains .....	10,000
12	(f) Election District No. 5	
13	(i) POL & Charter.....	59,000
14	(ii) Food Relief.....	13,846
15	(iii) Rental office space, office	
16	supplies and equipment, communication and	
17	utilities .....	5,000
18	(iv) Students' Financial	
19	Assistance .....	-0-
20	(v) Medical referral,	
21	pharmaceuticals and repatriation of	
22	remains .....	14,426
23	(vi) CSCIP.....	5,000
24	(vii) Operations (ED #5) .....	26,728
25	(viii) Project Management.....	20,000

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1 (ix) On the job training subsidy \$ -0-

2 (x) Land Acquisition for the

3 people of Halls, Weito and Pattiw Islands .. 71,000

4 PROVIDED THAT the allottee of this specific

5 funding shall deposit the funds into the

6 Special Funds within the General Fund of

7 the Federated States of Micronesia for

8 Chuuk Election District No. 5 established

9 pursuant to Public Law No. 13-83.

10 (xi) Land filling in Weno..... -0-

11 (xii) Transportation needs..... 15,000"

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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Manny Mori  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia