



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

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 20-248  
FSM CONGRESS

June 22, 2018

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Simina:

I am transmitting the following Congressional Act, which I have signed into Public Law No. 20-89:

Congressional Act No. 20-84, entitled: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-78, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3 AND 5 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATES OF POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I wish to note that while I have signed this act into law, I do not agree with giving funding to various "travel needs" that are not specified anywhere in this congressional act. Unspecified travel needs are vague line items since they do not indicate the intended travel destination or the purpose of travel, and there is no information whatsoever on the users of these funding. As such, the aforesaid line items are questionable as they do not provide appropriate guidance on how they should be implemented. It is so unfortunate that these line items are already in the law, hence, I could not item veto them.

Based on the above consideration, from now on, I will not approve any line items that provide funding for unspecified travel needs. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Peter M. Christian

Enclosure:

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court





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His Excellency Peter M. Christian  
President  
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Dear President Christian:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 20-84, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-78, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3 AND 5 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATES OF POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2018, 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



Office of the Speaker

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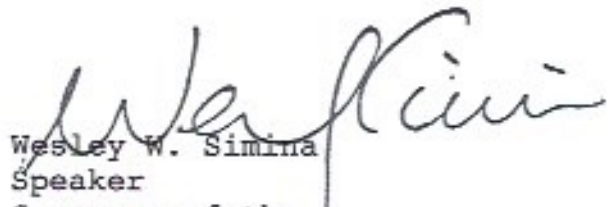
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ACT NO. 20-84

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 20-185)

We hereby certify that on May 16 the foregoing act passed  
Second and Final Reading of the Twentieth Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2018,  
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.

  
Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

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



## A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 20-68, as amended by Public Law No. 20-78, by amending sections 3 and 5 thereof, for the purpose of changing the use and allottee of funds previously appropriated therein, to fund public projects and social programs in the states of Pohnpei and Chuuk, and for other purposes.

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

1       Section 1. Section 4 of Public Law No. 20-68 is hereby  
2 amended to read as follows:

3       "Section 4. Of the sum of \$1,440,000 appropriated by  
4 this act, \$720,000 is apportioned for public projects  
5 and social programs in the state of Chuuk.  
6 state of Chuuk ..... \$       720,000  
7       (1) At-Large ..... 120,000  
8           (a) Sport events in Weno ..... 10,000  
9           (b) Contributions to State, Municipal  
10 and Community events, programs and activities 30,000  
11           (c) Housing renovation and improvement 40,000  
12           (d) Travel needs ..... 20,000  
13           (e) Fishing projects ..... 20,000  
14       (2) Election District No. 1 ..... 120,000  
15           (a) Mortlocks Congressional delegation  
16 constituents outreach ..... 13,000  
17           (b) Mortlocks Congressional delegation  
18 transportation needs ..... 7,000

1	(c) Housing and multipurpose building	
2	renovation, improvement and construction . \$	40,000
3	(d) Mortlocks Good Will Games .....	50,000
4	(e) MIDA staff travel and training .	10,000
5	(3) Election District No. 2 .....	120,000
6	(a) Administrative support services	10,000
7	(b) Food Security .....	20,000
8	(c) Travel needs .....	30,000
9	(d) Human remain repatriation .....	10,000
10	(e) Fishing project .....	10,000
11	(f) Housing renovation/repair/maintenance	20,000
12	(g) Feasibility study .....	20,000
13	(4) Election District No. 3 .....	120,000
14	(a) Students' incentive awards .....	5,000
15	(b) Medical referral .....	10,000
16	(c) Humanitarian assistance .....	40,000
17	(d) Sewing project .....	10,000
18	(e) Fishing project .....	20,000
19	(f) POL/Freight/Charter .....	5,000
20	(g) Travel needs .....	30,000
21	(5) Election District No. 4 .....	120,000
22	(a) Chuuk Volleyball Team travel	
23	needs/preparation .....	20,000
24	(b) Purchase of heavy equipment ....	-0-
25	(c) Land transportation .....	15,000

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1	(d) Fishing project .....	\$ 30,000
2	(e) Travel needs .....	20,000
3	(f) Youth programs and activities ....	20,000
4	(g) Administrative cost for FDA .....	15,000
5	(6) Election District No. 5 .....	120,000
6	(a) Solar Freezers .....	40,000
7	(b) Low-income housing renovation ..	20,000
8	(c) Food relief program .....	15,000
9	(d) POL/Charter/Freight .....	25,000
10	(e) Dispensary boat/motor .....	20,000"

11 Section 2. Section 5 of Public Law No. 20-68 is hereby  
 12 amended to read as follows:

13 "Section 5. Allotment and management of funds and lapse  
 14 date. All funds appropriated by this act shall be allotted,  
 15 managed, administered and accounted for in accordance with  
 16 applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Financial  
 17 Management Act of 1979. The allottee shall be responsible for  
 18 ensuring that these funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
 19 are used solely for the purpose specified in this act, and that no  
 20 obligations are incurred in excess of the sum appropriated. The  
 21 allottee of the funds appropriated under sections 2 and 3 of this  
 22 act shall be the President of the Federated States of Micronesia  
 23 or his designee; PROVIDED THAT the allottee of funds appropriated  
 24 under subsections 2(a) and 2(b) of this act shall be the Mayor of  
 25 Lelu Town Government or his designee; the allottee of funds



1 appropriated under subsections 2(c) to 2(g) of this act shall be  
2 the Mayor of Tafunsak Municipal Government or his designee; the  
3 allottee of funds appropriation under subsection 3(1)(i) of this  
4 act shall be the Chief Magistrate of Sokehs Municipal Government  
5 or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under  
6 subsection 3(2)(a) of this act shall be the President of the COM-  
7 FSM Institute or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated  
8 under subsection 3(2)(b) of this act shall be the Pohnpei  
9 Transportation Authority; the allottee of funds appropriated under  
10 subsections 3(2)(c) to 3(2)(g) of this act shall be the Secretary  
11 of the Department of Transportation, Communications and  
12 Infrastructure or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated  
13 under subsections 3(4)(a) shall be the President of the COM-FSM  
14 Institute or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated  
15 under subsection 3(4)(b) of this act shall be the Mayor of  
16 Pingelap Municipal Government or his designee; the allottee of  
17 funds appropriated under subsection 3(4)(c) of this act shall be  
18 the Mayor of Mwokilloa Municipal Government or his designee. The  
19 allottee of funds appropriated under subsections 4(1), 4(3) and  
20 4(6) of this act shall be the Governor of Chuuk State or his  
21 designee. The allottee of funds appropriated under subsection  
22 4(2) of this act shall be the Mortlock Islands Development  
23 Authority. The allottee of funds appropriated under subsection  
24 4(4) of this act shall be the Southern Namoneas Development  
25 Authority. The allottee of funds appropriated under subsection

1 4(5) of this act shall be the Faichuk Development Authority. The  
2 authority of the allottee to obligate funds appropriated by this  
3 act shall lapse on September 30, 2020."

4 Section 3. This act shall become law upon approval by the  
5 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its  
6 becoming law without such approval.

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6/21, 2018

  
Peter M. Christian  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia