## A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 9 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by amending section 707 to make changes to the National Election Code, and for other purposes.

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 707 of title 9 of the Code of the
- 2 Federated States of Micronesia, as enacted by Public Law No. 12-49
- 3 and amended by Public Law No. 12-52, is hereby further amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 "Section 707. Special polling places.
- (1) Not less than 60 days prior to an election, the 6 National Election Director shall designate special polling places where registered voters not residing in 8 9 their state of registration may cast their votes on 10 election day. For purposes of this section, 'election day' means the actual date in the Federated States of 11 12 Micronesia where notification is not required, if a citizen attends a special polling place and his or her 13 14 name is not on the election register held at the special 15 polling place, the citizen shall be permitted to vote
- 18 <u>election and that nothing has occurred during the</u>

  19 <u>intervening period that would affect the citizen's</u>

upon swearing an affidavit stating that the citizen

voted at the same special polling place at the previous

20 <u>eligibility to vote</u> on which elections are conducted in

16

17

the FSM, without regard to the actual date at any polling place outside the FSM.

- (2) A citizen registered to vote in a State of the Federated States of Micronesia, but not residing in that State, may cast his or her vote at a special polling place, provided such citizen has met the requirements of subsection (3) of this section.
- (3) Any citizen intending to vote at a special polling place shall register his or her intent to do so by notifying the national election commissioner in his or her state of registration, except that any person who voted at a special polling place at the previous general election and intends to vote at the same special polling place need not reregister. Where notification is required, such [Such] notification shall be made in writing and must be received by the relevant national election commissioner not less than 30 days prior to the election. The form and substance of such notification shall be as specified by the National Election Director in election regulations issued pursuant to title 17 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia."

```
Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the
1
2 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
 3 becoming law without such approval.
 4
5 Date: <u>1/17/05</u>
                       Introduced by: <u>/s/ Dion G. Neth</u>
                                                   Dion G. Neth
 6
 7
 8
 9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
```

3 of 3