



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 15-157
FSM CONGRESS

March 19, 2008

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir
Speaker
15th FSM Congress
Palikir, Pohnpei, FM 96941

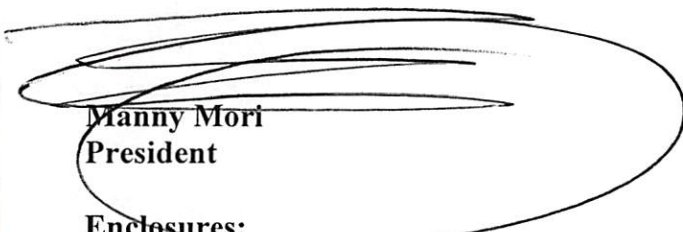
Re: Congressional Act No. 15-32

Dear Speaker Figir:

I have designated the following Congressional Act as Public Law No. 15-27.

Congressional Act No. 15-32, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 50 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING SECTION 103 TO PREVENT THE REVOCATION OR DENIAL OF SPOUSE PERMITS FROM NON-CITIZEN SPOUSES OF DECEASED CITIZENS WHO HAVE RESIDED IN THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOR AT LEAST TWENTY (20) YEARS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Sincerely,



Manny Mori
President

Enclosures:

XC: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
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February 26, 2008

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

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 15-32, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 50 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING SECTION 103 TO PREVENT THE REVOCATION OR DENIAL OF SPOUSE PERMITS FROM NON-CITIZEN SPOUSES OF DECEASED CITIZENS WHO HAVE RESIDED IN THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOR AT LEAST TWENTY (20) YEARS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2008, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

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Liwiana K. Ramon
Chief Clerk, Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



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FIFTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
THIRD REGULAR SESSION
FEBRUARY 4 - 23, 2008

PUBLIC LAW No. 15 - 27

An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 50 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING SECTION 103 TO PREVENT THE REVOCATION OR DENIAL OF SPOUSE PERMITS FROM NON-CITIZEN SPOUSES OF DECEASED CITIZENS WHO HAVE RESIDED IN THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOR AT LEAST TWENTY (20) YEARS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY: SENATOR RESIO S. MOSES

DATE: SEPTEMBER 03, 2007

REFERRED TO: JUDICIARY AND GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

S.C.R. NO. 15-78 – FEBRUARY 12, 2008

FIRST READING: FEBRUARY 13, 2008

SECOND READING: FEBRUARY 14, 2008

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ACT NO. 15-32

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 15-56, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on February 14 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2008, 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.

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Isaac V. Figir
Speaker
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

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Liwiana K. Ramon
Chief Clerk
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

FIFTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SECOND SPECIAL SESSION, 2007

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 15-56, C.D.1

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AN ACT

To further amend title 50 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by amending section 103 to prevent the revocation or denial of spouse permits from non-citizen spouses of deceased citizens who have resided in the Federated States of Micronesia for at least twenty (20) years, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 103 of title 50 of the Code of the
2 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 5-
3 105, 10-14, 12-65 and 14-33, is hereby further amended to read as
4 follows:

5 "Section 103. Entry permits - Types.

6 (1) A permit is not required for a person visiting
7 for thirty days or less. For a visit in excess of
8 thirty days, a permit may be issued for an additional
9 period not to exceed sixty days; except that, with
10 respect to citizens and nationals of the United States
11 of America, for the effective period of the Compact of
12 Free Association, and with respect to citizens and
13 nationals of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and
14 the Republic of Palau, a permit is not required for the
15 duration of the visit, which shall not exceed 365 days.

16 (2) A visitor's permit for any lawful purpose,
17 including performance of necessary services on a short-

1 term contractual basis, may be issued for a period of
2 specified duration reflecting the time necessary to
3 accomplish the purpose.

4 (3) A student permit shall be issued for a specified
5 duration reflecting a student's enrollment in a school
6 or educational program.

7 (4) A foreign government official's permit may be
8 issued to any official, employee, or contractual
9 personnel of a foreign government or governmental
10 regional or international organization who wishes to
11 enter the Federated States of Micronesia for purposes of
12 official governmental activities and who is not entitled
13 to enter the Federated States of Micronesia without a
14 permit under section 102 of this chapter.

15 (5) Notwithstanding any provision of subsections (1)
16 and (2) of this section, a person entering the Federated
17 States of Micronesia for the purpose of engaging in
18 wholesale or retail sales of goods or services, or for
19 the purpose of taking orders for the purchase of goods
20 or services, without establishing a place of habitation
21 or a place of business within the Federated States of
22 Micronesia, shall be issued a salesperson's permit;
23 PROVIDED, however, that this subsection shall not apply
24 to any person who has a foreign investor's permit
25 pursuant to subsection (7) of this section.

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1 (6) An alien worker's permit shall be issued to a
2 noncitizen entering the Federated States of Micronesia
3 upon compliance with all National laws relating to
4 private or governmental employment for the period in
5 which the employment of the alien worker is authorized
6 by contract. The permit shall be renewed upon extension
7 or renewal of the alien's lawful employment status.

8 (7) A foreign investor's entry permit shall be issued
9 for a specified duration and may be renewed upon renewal
10 or extension of such foreign investor's business permit.

11 (8) A researcher's entry permit shall be issued for
12 research in the fields of endeavor that the President
13 deems in the best interest of and for the well-being of
14 the citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia;
15 PROVIDED that the President receives from the
16 researcher's intended place of stay prior permission for
17 his entry. The President may attach thereto such
18 conditions or restrictions as he deems necessary.

19 (9) A missionary's permit shall be issued to a duly
20 ordained, licensed, and certified minister or clergyman.

21 (10) An entry permit shall be issued to a lawful
22 spouse of a citizen.

23 (a) Subject to this section and any requirements
24 set out in regulations issued pursuant to section 111 of
25 this chapter, a spouse permit holder shall be permitted to

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1 undertake paid employment in the Federated States of
2 Micronesia. In the absence of any regulations on this
3 subject, a spouse permit holder shall be permitted to
4 undertake paid employment in the Federated States of
5 Micronesia only if he or she has been a resident of the
6 Federated States of Micronesia for the 5 years prior to
7 commencing employment and/or has been married to a citizen
8 of the Federated States of Micronesia for the 5 years
9 prior to commencing employment. For the avoidance of
10 doubt, a spouse permit holder may undertake paid
11 employment without obtaining a change of status approval
12 pursuant to section 104 of this chapter, however, such
13 employment must be obtained in accordance with the
14 requirements for hiring non-resident workers contained in
15 title 51 of the Code of the Federated States of
16 Micronesia.

17 (b) A spouse permit may be revoked or denied, in
18 accordance with the provisions of this chapter, upon a
19 finding that (i) the parties are divorced, the parties
20 are irreconcilably separated, or the citizen-spouse is
21 deceased; and (ii) the revocation or denial is in the
22 best interests of the Federated States of Micronesia,
23 provided that the spouse permit of a noncitizen
24 surviving spouse of a deceased citizen who had been
25 married to the citizen spouse for at least twenty (20)

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1 years, regardless of place of residence during the
2 marriage, shall not be revoked or denied unless the
3 surviving spouse remarries a non-citizen.

4 (c) Except in extraordinary circumstances, no
5 action to revoke or deny a spouse permit on the grounds
6 of death of the citizen-spouse shall be taken for a
7 period of six months from the date of death of the
8 citizen-spouse.

9 (11) A dependent's entry permit may be issued to an
10 unmarried child, under the age of 18, of a citizen or a
11 noncitizen spouse, subject to the conditions in
12 subsection (10) of this section.

13 (12) A spouse or unmarried child under the age of
14 eighteen of any noncitizen principal listed in this
15 section, except subsection (11), may be issued an entry
16 permit for the duration of the principal's entry permit
17 and may be renewed upon renewal of the principal's entry
18 permit."

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

03, 19, 2008

Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia