SIXTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 2009

C.B. NO. 16-14

A BIL FOR AN ACT

To amend Public Law No. 15-70, by amending Section 2 thereof, to improve the selection for FSM representatives to the Joint Economic Management Committee (JEMCO) established by the amended Compact of Free Association between the Federated States of Micronesia and the United States, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 2 of Public Law No. 15-70 is hereby 1 amended to read as follows: 2 3 "Section 2. Appointment and Terms of JEMCO Representatives. 4 5 (1) The President shall appoint, with the advice and consent of Congress, two JEMCO Members. 6 7 [(a) One member shall be appointed by virtue of 8 his or her position within the National Government; and 9 (b) The other member will be appointed by the President from a list of four nominees, one nominee per 10 11 a state governor.] (2) The JEMCO Representatives must be citizens of the 12 13 FSM. 14 (3) JEMCO Members shall serve a two-year term, or such 15 other term as may be provided in the Compact. A term 16 shall commence from the date of confirmation by Congress and end when respective replacements are qualified and 17 18 confirmed.

(4) A JEMCO member may be re-appointed for another 1 2 consecutive term, but not more than two consecutive 3 terms. 4 (5) The National Government will be responsible for 5 the cost of the representatives' participation in all 6 JEMCO meetings. 7 (6) The President may designate a temporary substitute 8 for any of the two representatives in the event of 9 temporary incapacity, illness, family emergency, and/or 10 other reasons which prevent the representative from 11 participating in JEMCO business. 12 (7) A representative of the Federated States of 13 Micronesia to JEMCO may be removed from office by the President for any reason. 14 15 (8) A substitute representative of the Federated 16 States of Micronesia to JEMCO shall not serve for more 17 than three (3) consecutive months, unless he or she is first appointed by the President and confirmed by 18 Congress." 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

1	Section 2. 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.
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5	Date: <u>5/18/09</u> Introduced by: <u>/s/ Joe N. Suka</u> Joe N. Suka
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