FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 2009

C.B. NO. 16-30

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 1 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by amending sections 902 and 903 of chapter 9 concerning the procedure for the admission of new states into the Federated States of Micronesia, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 902 of Chapter 9 of Title 1 of the Code
of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws
Nos. 10-25 and 13-45, is hereby further amended to read as
follows:

5 "Section 902. [<del>Vote Required</del>] Consent for New States 6 from Outside the Federation. No new state shall be 7 formed from territory outside the present boundaries of the Federated States of Micronesia and admitted except 8 9 upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the 10 registered voters of the area seeking statehood and the 11 approval, by resolution, of the Legislature of each 12 existing state of the Federated States of Micronesia." 13 Section 2. Section 903 of Chapter 9 of Title 1 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws 14 15 Nos. 10-25 and 13-45, is hereby further amended to read as 16 follows:

17 "Section 903. [<u>Consent for New States from</u>
18 <u>Within the Federation.</u> A new state shall not be formed
19 from within the territory of an existing state, or by

1	the juncture of 2 or more existing states or parts of
2	states, except <u>upon the affirmative vote of a majority</u>
3	of the registered voters of the area seeking statehood
4	and with the consent, by resolution, of the
5	Legislature(s) of the State(s) concerned."
6	Section 3. This act shall become law upon approval by the
7	President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
8	becoming law without such approval.
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10	Date: <u>8/19/09</u> Introduced by: <u>/s/ Setiro Paul</u>
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