A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend section 203 of title 2 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 10-55, 15-09 and 15-74, to create a Division of Women Affairs under the Department of Health and Social Affairs at the FSM National Government, to deal with gender issues under the relevant international treaties, and for other purposes.

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

- Section 1. Section 203 of title 2 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws Nos.
- 3 10-55, 15-09 and 15-74, is hereby further amended to read as
- 4 follows:
- 5 "Section 203. Departments.
- (1) There shall be the following departments which
 shall be responsible for major programs or
 administrative support areas in the Government of the
- 9 Federated States of Micronesia:
- 10 (a) Department of Resources and Development;
- 11 (b) Department of Finance and Administration;
- 12 (c) Department of Foreign Affairs;
- 13 (d) Department of Health and Social Affairs,
- 14 which shall contain among other divisions, a division of
- 15 women affairs to deal with gender issues under the
- 16 relevant international treaties;
- 17 (e) Department of Justice;
- 18 (f) Department of Transportation, Communications

1 and Infrastructure, which shall contain among other 2 units, a Project Management Unit for the Compact Infrastructure Grants; and 3 (q) Department of Education. 4 5 (2) The administrative head of each department shall be designated as a "Secretary". 6 (3) The administrative head of each office shall be 7 designated as a "Director". 8 (4) Succession. 9 (a) Any reference to a previously existing 10 department, office or division thereof shall apply to 11 12 the appropriate successor entity. (b) Any reference to any office or employee of an 13 entity referred to in subsection (4)(a) of this section 14 shall be construed as applying to the person holding the 15 16 same or most similar position in the appropriate successor entity." 17 Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the 18 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its 20 becoming law without such approval. 2.1 2.2 Date: <u>11/07/12</u> Introduced by: /s/ Wesley W. Simina Wesley W. Simina 2.3 24

2 of 2