## SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

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C.B. NO. 17-91

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend section 108 of title 4 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 15-14, to increase the salaries of the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the Federated States of Micronesia, and for other purposes. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA: 1 Section 1. Section 108 of title 4 of the Code of the 2 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 3 15-14, is hereby further amended to read as follows: 4 "Section 108. Compensation of the Judiciary.

5 (1) Salaries. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court
6 of the Federated States of Micronesia shall receive a
7 salary of \$[45,000] 60,000 per annum. The Associate
8 Justices of the Supreme Court shall receive a salary
9 of \$[43,000] 50,000 per annum.

10 (2) Overtime compensation. No Justices of the
11 Supreme Court shall be entitled to any form of
12 additional compensation for any work performed in
13 excess of 40 hours per week.

14 (3) Health insurance. Each Justice of the Supreme
15 Court shall be entitled to participate in the
16 National Government group health insurance program in
17 effect during his tenure in office, under the same
18 terms and conditions which apply to employees of the
19 National Public Service System.

1 (4) Housing. Furnished housing and 1 utilities shall be provided without cost to each Justice of the 2 3 Supreme Court. (5) Vehicle. Each Justice of the Supreme Court shall 4 be provided with a Government automobile at his duty 5 station, which shall be used primarily for official 6 business. 7 8 (6) Recruitment expenses. 9 (a) Each Justice of the Supreme Court shall be 10 entitled to whatever recruitment expenses are available to regular Government prime contract 11 12 employees at the time he is confirmed, under the same 13 terms and conditions which apply to employees of the National Public Service System. 14 (b) For the purpose of determining the benefits 15 available pursuant to this subsection, the 16 dependents, if any, of each Justice shall be 17 determined in accordance with subsection (9) of this 18 section. 19 20 (c) The shipment of household goods and 21 personal effects for each Justice must commence within two years of the date of entry on duty of the 22 23 Justice, notwithstanding any contrary provisions of the standard government prime contract. 24 (d) Notwithstanding any contrary provisions of 25

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this section, the household goods and personal 1 effects of any Justice confirmed after the effective 2 3 date of the act from which this section derives, must be shipped to his duty station within the time limit 4 applicable to regular Government prime contract 5 employees at the time he is confirmed. 6 7 (7) Repatriation expenses. 8 (a) Whenever a Justice of the Supreme Court

9 shall retire or otherwise terminate his service as a 10 Justice of the Court, he shall be entitled to whatever repatriation expenses are available to 11 regular Government prime contract employees at the 12 13 time he terminates his service, under the same terms and conditions which apply to employees of the 14 National Public Service System; provided, however, 15 that for the purpose of determining the benefits 16 17 available pursuant to this section, the dependents, 18 if any, of each Justice shall be determined in accordance with subsection (9) of this section. 19

(b) The provisions of this subsection shall not
apply to any Justice who terminates his service as a
Justice of the Supreme Court due to impeachment.

23 (8) Life insurance. Each Justice of the Supreme
24 Court shall be entitled to participate in the
25 National Government group life insurance program in

1 effect during his tenure in office, under the same 2 terms and conditions which apply to employees 1 of 3 the National Public Service System. (9) Dependents. As used in this section, the term 4 "dependents" is limited to the spouses and children 5 of Justices; provided, that no child shall be 6 7 considered a dependent after he graduates from 8 undergraduate school, is married, or reaches the age 9 of twenty-two years, whichever occurs first. 10 (10) Compensation limitations. No Justice of the Supreme Court shall be entitled to any benefits, 11 remuneration, salary, or any other form of 12 compensation except as provided by this section." 13 This act shall become law upon approval by the 14 Section 2. President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its 15 becoming law without such approval. 16 17 18 Date: <u>1/23/12</u> Introduced by: <u>/s/ Wesley W. Simina</u> 19 Wesley W. Simina 20 21 22 23

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