A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend section 102 of title 55 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 13-63, and section 302, as enacted by Public Law No. 13-72, to change the start and end of the fiscal year to November 1 and October 31 respectively, and for other purposes.

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 102 of title 55 of the Code of
- 2 the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public
- 3 Law No. 13-63, is hereby further amended to read as
- 4 follows:
- 5 "Section 102. <u>Definitions</u>. When used in this
- 6 chapter:
- 7 (1) 'Agency' means any agency, commission,
- 8 authority, board, bureau, or other organization of the
- 9 National Government established by law, and not
- 10 specifically part of one of the three branches of the
- 11 National Government.
- 12 (2) 'Annual budget' refers to the annual request for
- new obligation and expenditure authority during the
- 14 ensuing fiscal year by all branches and agencies of
- the National Government for all purposes, including,
- but not limited to, Government operations, development
- 17 programs and projects, special programs,
- 18 contributions, grants, and subsidies.

1 (3) 'Appropriation' refers to a law enacted by
2 Congress which authorizes the National Government to
3 incur obligations and to make payments out of the
4 National Treasury in accordance with law.

- (4) 'Compact' refers to the Compact of Free
 Association, as amended, and its related agreements
 entered into by and between the Government of the
 Federated States of Micronesia and the Government of
 the United States and enacted as United States Public
 Law No. 108-188, unless otherwise specified herein.
- (5) 'Congress' refers to the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia.
- (6) 'Development Plan' refers to the Development
 Plan of the Federated States of Micronesia prepared
 pursuant to title two, section 211 of the Compact, and
 the infrastructure development plan of the Federated
 States of Micronesia prepared pursuant to Article V,
 section 1(e) of the Fiscal Procedures Agreement.
- (7) 'Executive Branch' refers to the executive branch of the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia.
- (8) 'Fiscal Procedures Agreement' means the
 Agreement Concerning Procedures for the Implementation
 of United States Economic Assistance Provided in the
 Compact of Free Association, as amended, Between the

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1 Government of the United States and the Government of 2 the Federated States of Micronesia, entered into in 3 connection with the Compact. (9) 'Fiscal Year' refers to each one-year period beginning [October 1] November 1 and ending on the 5 next following [September 30] October 31. Each Fiscal 6 7 Year shall be designated by the number of the calendar 8 year in which such Fiscal Year ends. (10) 'JEMCO' refers to the Joint Economic Management 9 10 Committee established pursuant to the Compact. 11 (11) 'National Government' refers to the National

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- Government of the Federated States of Micronesia and includes all branches and agencies of the Government.
- (12) 'National Government Compact Budget Request"
 means the National Government's annual Compact funding
 request for the upcoming Fiscal Year and estimated
 funding levels for the two subsequent Fiscal Years to
 be consolidated with the States' Compact Budget
 Requests and submitted to the United States under
 Article V of the Financial Procedures Agreement.
- (13) 'Proposed Budget' shall have the meaning ascribed to it in subsection (2) of section 103 of this chapter.
- (14) 'Recommended Budget' shall have the meaning ascribed to it in subsection (3) of section 103 of

1 this chapter. 2. (15) 'Recommended National Government Compact 3 Budget Request' means the President's recommended annual Compact funding request for the National 4 Government for the upcoming Fiscal Year and 5 6 estimated funding levels for the two subsequent Fiscal Years." 7 Section 2. Section 302 of title 55 of the Code of the 8 Federated States of Micronesia is hereby amended to read as 9 follows: 10 11 "Section 302. Definitions. 12 For purposes of this chapter only, the following terms shall have the following meanings: 13 14 (1) 'Accrued Expenditures' means charges incurred by 15 a Government during a given period requiring the provision of funds for: (a) goods and other tangible 16 property received; (b) services performed by 17 employees, contractors, sub-grantees, subcontractors, 18 and other third party non-contractors; and (c) other 19 amounts becoming owed under programs for which no 20 current services or performance is required, such as 21 22 annuities, insurance claims, and other benefit 23 payments, all as evidenced by a pending disbursements 24 report. 25 (2) 'Annual Report' means the Annual Report of the

President of the Federated States of Micronesia to the Government of the United States in compliance with Section 214 of the Compact.

- (3) 'Compact' means the Compact of Free Association, as amended, and its related agreements entered into by the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Government of the United States and enacted as United States Public Law No. 108-188, unless otherwise specified herein.
- (4) 'Compact Budget Request' means the annual Compact funding request for the upcoming Fiscal Year and estimated funding levels for the two subsequent Fiscal Years.
- (5) 'Congress' means the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, unless otherwise specified herein.
- (6) 'Fiscal Procedures Agreement' means the 'Agreement Concerning Procedures for the Implementation of United States Economic Assistance Provided in the Compact of Free Association, as amended, Between the Government of the United States and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia' entered into in connection with the Compact.
 - (7) 'Fiscal Year' means each one year period

1 beginning [October 1] November 1 and ending on the 2 next following [September 30] October 31. Each Fiscal 3 Year shall be designated by the number of the calendar year in which such Fiscal Year ends. (8) 'Government' means a State Government or the 5 National Government of the Federated States of 7 Micronesia, unless otherwise specified. (9) 'Grant Award' means a formal offer of funds by the Government of the United States to the Government 9 of the Federated States of Micronesia pursuant to the 10 11 terms of the Compact for the purpose of funding 12 programs and activities within a specific Sector. (10) 'JEMCO' means the Joint Economic Management 13 14 Committee established pursuant to the Compact and the 15 Fiscal Procedures Agreement. (11) 'Obligation' shall have the same meaning as 16 17 defined in the respective Financial Management Acts of the Governments. 18 19 (12) 'Operational Grant' means a grant associated with a Sector Grant program that continues from a 20 given period to a subsequent period as defined in 21 22 Article I, Section 1 of the Fiscal Procedures

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(13) 'Original Compact' means the Compact of Free

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States of Micronesia and the Government of the United States in the form that was effective as of November 3, 1986 through September, 2003.

- (14) 'Plan for the Division of Annual Economic
 Assistance' means the comprehensive plan for the
 division of economic assistance for a Fiscal Year,
 including Annual Grant budgets by Sector, as described
 in Article V, Section 1(b) of the Fiscal Procedures
 Agreement, and may include such additional reports,
 narratives, summaries, documentation and other
 information as the President deems appropriate.
- (15) 'Secretary' means the Secretary of the
 Department of Finance and Administration for the
 Federated States of Micronesia, or his successor in
 the executive structure of the National Government of
 the Federated States of Micronesia.
- (16) 'Sector' means one of the six grant sectors described in Section 211(a) of the Compact and Article II, Section 1, of the Fiscal Procedures Agreement, as such sectors may be adjusted during the term of the Compact.
- (17) 'Sector Grant' means the funds that are to be provided pursuant to a given Sector.
- (18) 'State' means any of the states of the Federated States of Micronesia."

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         Section 3. This act shall become law upon approval by
2 the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon
3 its becoming law without such approval.
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5 Date: <u>9/18/12</u>
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