

The President

Palikir, Pohnpei Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-267
FSM CONGRESS

May 8, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert Speaker 18th FSM Congress Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941 RECEIVED

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Speakers Office

Dear Speaker Halbert:

I am returning the following Congressional Acts, without signature:

Public Law No. 18-59. Congressional Act No. 18-62: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 16-49, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-68, 16-76, 17-06, 17-10, 17-82, 17-85, 18-28 AND 18-45, TO MODIFY THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-60. Congressional Act No. 18-63: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-36, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-48, 17-78 AND 17-87, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Congressional Act No. 18-62 increases the appropriation for the circumferential road improvement project and decreases by the same amount the appropriation of the sawmill for Pohnpei at Large. Additionally, the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(1)(b) from the Pohnpei Transportation Authority to the Administrator of Nett District Government.

Congressional Act No. 18-63 eliminates an appropriation for Pohnpei ED #2 for students' financial assistance.

I reviewed the above Acts, which share the following common characteristics:

- 1. There were no public hearings or committee reports.
- There have been multiple amendments to the original appropriations. The
 multiple amendments result in confusion as to the true intention of Congress
 for the public projects and programs, and create difficulties in
 implementation of the projects and programs, such as tracking the multiple
 changes.

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3. There were changes of recipients and purposes without clear justification or reasoning.

The above Acts are further examples of defective appropriation of public projects and social programs. As I stated in prior transmittals, it would be most helpful if Congress would set a policy limiting subsequent amendments to a maximum of only three per Act in order to avoid the problems as outlined above.

Therefore, I return these Acts without signature.

Sincerely,

President

xc:

Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court

Secretary, Department of Justice

Director, Office of SBOC Legislative Counsel, CFSM

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His Excellency Manny Mori President Federated States of Micronesia Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Mori:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 18-63, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-36, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-48, 17-78 AND 17-87, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Special Session, 2014, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

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Chief Clerk, Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia

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Enclosures



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EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA THIRD SPECIAL SESSION MARCH 24 – APRIL 02, 2014

PUBLIC LAW No. 18-60

An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 4 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-36, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-48, 17-78 AND 17-87, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: PETER M. CHRISTIAN

DATE: MARCH 25, 2014

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

WITHDRAWN - APRIL 01, 2014

FIRST READING: APRIL 01, 2014 SECOND READING: APRIL 02, 2014

> Liwiana Ramon Ioanis Chief Clerk, FSM Congress

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ACT NO. 18-63

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-148, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on April 02 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Special Session, 2014, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

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Speaker

Congress of the

Federated \$tates of Micronesia

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis Chief Clerk

Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-148, C.D.1

PUBLIC LAW No. 18-60

AN ACT

To further amend section 4 of Public Law No. 17-36, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 17-48, 17-78 and 17-87, to change the use and allottee of certain funds previously appropriated to fund public projects and social programs in the State of Pohnpei, and for other purposes.

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

1	Section 1. Section 4 of Public Law No. 17-36, as amended by
2	Public Law No. 17-48, 17-78 and 17-87, is hereby further amended
3	to read as follows:
4	"Section 4. Of the sum of \$2,100,000 appropriated by
5	this act, \$600,000 is apportioned for Pohnpei State for
6	public projects and social programs.
7	State of Pohnpei\$ 600,000
8	(1) At-Large
9	(a) Road construction equipment
10	purchase and rental 33,000
11	(b) Pohnpei Circumferential road
12	repair/improvement 33,000
13	(c) Aid to non-public high schools
14	(Pohnpei State) 10,000
15	(d) Sidewalk project in Nett school. 23,000
16	(e) School bus purchase, repair and
17	related freight cost and port charges 13,000
18	(f) Scholarship (college

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1	tuition assistance)\$ 10,000
2	(g) Leadership conference/travel 13,000
3	(h) Financial assistance for local
4	produce market
5	(i) Pohnpei Tennis Team travel to Guam 10,000
6	(2) Election District No. 1
7	(a) Kapinle Youth
8	(b) Election District No. 1,
9	subsidy
10	(c) Scholarship 5,000
11	(d) Kolonia Town Government-Legislative
12	and Judiciary computer
13	(e) St. Paul school 8,000
14	(f) Road concrete
15	(g) Southern Islands copra processing
16	training 20,000
17	(h) Pakin transport repair 5,000
18	(i) Road construction repair 50,000
19	(3) Election District No. 2 150,000
20	(a) Wone Elementary School road
21	paving 50,000
22	(b) Lohd road paving
23	(c) Enipein Pah road maintenance 10,000
24	(d) Areu Powe road maintenance 10,000
25	(e) Election District No. 2 subsidy 13,000

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1	(f) Kitti municipal government subsidy\$ 5,000
2	(g) Executive branch of the Madolenihmw
3	municipal government subsidy 5,000
4	(h) Purchase of vehicle for Election
5	District No. 2 Office
6	(i) Purchase of construction materials
7	(PVC Pipes and accessories) 5,000
8	(j) Purchase of coral fillings 5,000
9	(k) Youth sports activities 5,000
10	(1) Women and Senior citizens activities 5,000
11	(4) Election District No. 3 150,000
12	(a) Roads improvement
13	(b) Woman associations financial
14	assistance
15	(c) Youth groups sports activities and
16	sports equipment
17	(d) Vehicle purchase for Election
18	District No. 3 office 5,000
19	(e) Nett municipal government
20	subsidy
21	(f) U municipal government subsidy 15,000
22	(g) Mwoakilloa municipal government
23	subsidy 5,000
24	(h) Pingelap municipal government
25	subsidy 5,000

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1	1 (i) Eirke road impr	ovement \$ 10,000
2	2 (j) Election Distri	ct No. 3 subsidy 20,000"
3	3 Section 2. This act shall become	me law upon approval by the
4	4 President of the Federated States of	Micronesia or upon its
5	5 becoming law without such approval.	
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