



*The President*  
*Palikir, Pohnpei*  
*Federated States of Micronesia*

May 31, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert  
Speaker  
18<sup>th</sup> FSM Congress  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941



PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-297  
FSM CONGRESS

Dear Speaker Halbert:

I am returning the following Congressional Acts, which have become public laws without signature:

Public Law No. 18-63, Congressional Act No. 18-65, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-35, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-49 AND 18-61, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE STATES OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-64, Congressional Act No. 18-67, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-59, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-63, 17-66, 17-70, 17-77, 17-86, 18-21 AND 18-29, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-65, Congressional Act No. 18-68, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-36, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 17-48, 17-78, 17-87, 18-36 AND 18-60, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 4 AND 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF POHNPEI AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-66, Congressional Act No. 18-69, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-50, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-04, 17-53 AND 18-37, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 1 AND 2 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Public Law No. 18-67, Congressional Act No. 18-64, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-36, 15-44, 15-57, 15-63, 15-72, 15-78, 16-03, 16-11, 16-33, 16-46, 17-12, 17-21, 17-33, 17-40 AND 18-17, BY AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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The above congressional acts have changed the various appropriations for public project and social programs in their amount, purpose, and allottee of funds. Although the changes do not involve any increase in the allocation of funds among the four States, still the changes have adverse consequences on the effective implementation of public projects and social programs.

Upon review, the Acts reveal the following common characteristics:

1. There were no public hearings.
2. Except for Congressional Act No. 18-64, all the Congressional Acts do not have committee reports.
3. There have been multiple amendments to the original appropriations. The multiple amendments result in confusion as to the true intention of Congress in appropriating funds for the public projects and social programs, and create difficulties in implementing them, such as tracking of the numerous changes that have occurred over multiple fiscal years.
4. Most of the changes of recipients and use of funds are without clear justification and reasoning behind the changes.

The above Acts are 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 the subsequent amendments to a maximum of only three per Act in order to avoid the problems outlined above. All the above acts involve more than 3 amendments. In fact, the most number of amendments is 16.

Therefore, I return these Acts without signature.

Sincerely,



President

Enclosures:

xc. Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court  
Secretary, Department of Justice  
Director, Office of SBOC  
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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. 18-69, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-80, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-04, 17-53 AND 18-37, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 1 AND 2 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2014, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk, Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures





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EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE  
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA  
FOURTH REGULAR SESSION  
MAY 12 - 31, 2014

PUBLIC LAW No 18-66

## An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-80, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 16-04, 17-53 AND 18-37, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 1 AND 2 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: JOSEPH J. URUSEMAL

DATE: MAY 16, 2014

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

WITHDRAWN – MAY 19, 2014

FIRST READING: MAY 19, 2014

SECOND READING: MAY 20, 2014

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Liwiana Ramon Ioanis".

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress





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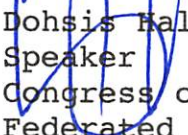
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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 18-297  
FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 18-69

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-169, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on May 20 the foregoing act passed  
Second and Final Reading of the Eighteenth Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular 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.

  
Dohsis Halbert  
Speaker  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

  
Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2014

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 18-169, C.D.1

~~PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-66~~

AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 15-80, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 16-04, 17-53 and 18-37, by amending sections 1 and 2 thereof, for the purpose of changing the use and allottee of certain funds previously appropriated therein for public projects and social programs in the State of Yap, and for other purposes.

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

1       Section 1. Section 1 of Public Law No. 15-80, as amended  
2 by Public Laws Nos. 16-04, 17-53 and 18-37, is hereby further  
3 amended to read as follows:

4               "Section 1. The sum of \$540,000 is hereby  
5               appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated  
6               States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending  
7               September 30, 2009, for the purpose of funding the T-  
8               3 Program Operation, public projects and social  
9               programs in the States of Chuuk, Yap, Pohnpei and  
10              Kosrae, and for other purposes. The sum appropriated  
11              herein shall be apportioned as follows:

12	(1) State of Kosrae .....	\$	70,000
13	(a) September 8, 2009 liberation		
14	activities		
15	(i) Lelu Municipality .....		1,300
16	(ii) Tafunsak Municipality .....		1,200
17	(iii) Malem Municipality .....		800
18	(iv) Utwa Municipality .....		700

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1	(b) Kosrae Public Auditor contractual	
2	services .....	\$ 5,000
3	(c) Senior citizens building renovation	
4	(i) Lelu senior citizens .....	5,000
5	(ii) Tafunsak senior citizens ..	5,000
6	(iii) Malem senior citizens .....	5,000
7	(iv) Utwa senior citizens .....	5,000
8	(d) Aquaculture exportation costs ..	6,000
9	(e) Kosrae Senior Citizens subsidies	
10	(i) Lelu senior citizens .....	1,000
11	(ii) Tafunsak senior citizens ..	1,000
12	(iii) Malem senior citizens .....	1,000
13	(iv) Utwa senior citizens .....	1,000
14	(v) Walung senior citizens ....	1,000
15	(f) Kosrae High School	
16	lunch program .....	18,000
17	(g) Kosrae Women Association	
18	(i) Lelu Women Association ....	1,000
19	(ii) Tafunsak Women Association	1,000
20	(iii) Malem Women Association ...	1,000
21	(iv) Utwa Women Association ....	1,000
22	(v) Walung Women Association ..	1,000
23	(h) Medical referrals for	
24	non-insured and non-employed Kosraeans,	
25	PROVIDED THAT reprogramming of this funding	

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1	is not allowed .....	\$ 5,000
2	(i) Equipment for Kosrae State	
3	Broadcast Station .....	2,000
4	(2) State of Yap .....	70,000
5	(a) Yap Women Associations supplement/	
6	matching .....	10,000
7	(b) Falalop, Ulithi community projects	
8	(water catchment, men's house, community center,	
9	renovation/repair & freight costs) .....	13,000
10	(c) PHI THETA KAPPA honor society	
11	(i) Registration fees .....	1,745
12	(ii) Airfare	
13	(Pohnpei to Honolulu, Hawaii) .....	5,255
14	(d) Scholarship program for full time	
15	Yapese students in post secondary education	
16	who maintain a 3.5 GPA .....	40,000
17	(3) State of Pohnpei .....	140,000
18	(a) Student's needs and financial ..	
19	assistance .....	10,000
20	(b) Election District No. 1	
21	(i) Pakin transportation needs	5,000
22	(ii) Project Management .....	26,000
23	(iii) Matching for Roie retaining	
24	wall .....	4,000
25	(c) Election District No. 2	



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1	(i) Madolenihmw Municipal	
2	Government management training .....	\$ 5,000
3	(ii) Edienleng water system ....	8,000
4	(iii) Kitti Fisherman's wharf ...	-0-
5	(iv) Election District No. 2	
6	secondary road improvement .....	12,000
7	(v) Funding for participants	
8	to PIPPA & PEC conferences .....	10,000
9	(vi) Water Delivery Services ...	25,000
10	(d) Election District No. 3	
11	(i) Nett School Sports	
12	complex matching .....	12,000
13	(ii) U Municipal government	
14	subsidy .....	7,000
15	(iii) Pingelap Municipal	
16	government subsidy .....	5,000
17	(iv) Mwoakiloa Municipal	
18	government subsidy .....	5,000
19	(v) ED #3 operation .....	2,000
20	(vi) Youth activities and	
21	musical instruments .....	4,000
22	(4) State of Chuuk .....	260,000
23	(a) Chuuk At Large	
24	(i) Public Facilities repairs,	
25	construction and improvement projects .....	7,000

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1	(ii) Low-income housing subsidy \$	7,000
2	(iii) Multipurpose building repair	
3	and renovation .....	3,000
4	(iv) At-Large operation .....	5,000
5	(v) Moch Municipal	
6	Government subsidy .....	1,500
7	(vi) Satowan Municipal	
8	Government subsidy .....	1,500
9	(vii) Fishing projects	
10	(gear and equipment purchase) .....	20,000
11	(b) Election District No. 1	
12	(i) Leadership Travel .....	12,000
13	(ii) Student's Financial	
14	Assistance .....	3,000
15	(iii) Community Centers Renovation	10,000
16	(iv) Youth Activities &	
17	musical instruments .....	4,000
18	(v) Election District No. 1	
19	contractual services & operation .....	6,000
20	(c) Election District No. 2	
21	(i) Sewing project .....	6,500
22	(ii) Northern Namoneas	
23	Development Authority (NDDA) Operation ....	10,000
24	(iii) Leadership travel/	
25	patient referral .....	7,216

**PUBLIC LAW No. 18-66**

1       Section 3. This act shall become law upon approval by the  
2 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its  
3 becoming law without such approval.

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Manny Mori  
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