
A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend sections 201 and 1109 of title 24 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 12-34 and 15-38, to change the membership on the Board of Directors of NORMA and the Board of Directors of the National Fisheries Corporation; and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 201 of title 24 of the Code of the
2 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 15-38,
3 is hereby further amended to read as follows:

4 "Section 201. National Oceanic Resource Management
5 Authority - established.

6 (1) There is hereby established a National Oceanic
7 Resource Management Authority ('Authority') composed
8 of five members and one ex officio non-voting member,
9 each discharging a national duty and charged with
10 responsibility for overseeing the FSM exclusive
11 economic zone, and appointed as follows:

12 (a) one member from each FSM State appointed
13 by the President of the Federated States of
14 Micronesia, in consultation with the Governor and with
15 the advice and consent of the Congress; and

16 (b) [~~one~~] two at-large members appointed by
17 the President of the Federated States of Micronesia
18 with the advice and consent of the Congress.

1 (c) No member shall be appointed for more than
2 two consecutive terms after the effective date of his
3 Act.

4 (2) No member shall also serve as a member of the
5 Board of Directors of the National Fisheries
6 Corporation of the Federated States of Micronesia or
7 any subsidiary or affiliate thereof or serve as
8 executive director or a member of any board or
9 authority of any entity operating in the states
10 dealing with fishing in the Federated States of
11 Micronesia under an agreement or permit issued
12 pursuant to this subtitle during the term of his
13 membership on the Authority.

14 (3) The Authority shall choose a chairman by a
15 majority vote of the members of the Authority.

16 (4) The Authority shall meet at such time and place
17 as may be designated by the Chairman or by vote of the
18 members pursuant to any method set out in the
19 Authority bylaws.

20 (5) The Authority shall adopt its own bylaws
21 governing the conduct of its business and performance
22 of the powers and duties granted to or imposed upon it
23 by law.

24 (6) A quorum of the Authority shall consist of a
25 majority of all voting members. All official business

1 of the Authority shall be conducted by a majority of
2 those members present and voting at a meeting of the
3 Authority for which a quorum exists, unless otherwise
4 provided by law or the bylaws of the Authority."

5 Section 2. Section 1109 of title 24 of the Code of the
6 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No.
7 12-34, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

8 "Section 1109. Composition of the Board.

9 The Board shall be composed of the following:

10 (1) ~~[one]~~ two members appointed by the President of
11 the Federated States of Micronesia;

12 (2) one member appointed by each of the Governors
13 of the States of the Federated States of Micronesia;
14 and

15 (3) the Executive Director of the Micronesian
16 Maritime Authority~~[, and]~~ .

17 ~~[(4) the Secretary of the Department of Resources
18 and Development, who shall serve as an ex officio
19 member and who shall have no power to vote except in
20 the event of a tie.]~~

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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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5 Date: 8/20/13 Introduced by: /s/ Florencio S. Harper
6 Florencio S. Harper
7 (by request)

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