

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 25 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by creating a new Chapter 8 under subsection II, to implement certain provisions of the FSM's Nationwide Integrated Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Policy, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Purpose. This act is in furtherance of the
2 provisions on climate change of the Federated States of
3 Micronesia's Nationwide Integrated Disaster and Climate Change
4 Policy (hereinafter the "CC Policy") by introducing certain legal
5 obligations for departments and agencies of the National
6 Government. It is expected that this act and the above-mentioned
7 policy will provide the overarching framework for further
8 detailed legislation on climate change.

9 Section 2. Title 25 of the Code of the Federated
10 States of Micronesia, as amended, is hereby further
11 amended by creating a new Chapter 8 under subsection II of
12 title 25 to be entitled "Climate Change".

13 Section 3. Title 25 of the Code of the Federated
14 States of Micronesia, as amended, is hereby further
15 amended by inserting a new section 801 under chapter 8 to
16 read as follows:

17 "Section 801. Short Title. This chapter is known and
18 may be cited as the "Federated States of Micronesia

1 Climate Change Act”.

2 Section 4. Title 25 of the Code of the Federated States of
3 Micronesia, as amended, is hereby further amended by inserting a
4 new section 802 under chapter 8 to read as follows:

5 “Section 802. Mainstreaming of obligations.

6 (1) By October 1, 2015, the following departments
7 and agencies shall prepare plans and policies on
8 climate change consistent with the provisions of the
9 CC Policy:

10 - Department of Resources and Development;

11 - Office of Environment and Emergency

12 Management;

13 - Department of Transportation, Communications
14 and Infrastructure;

15 - Department of Health and Social Affairs;

16 - Department of Education;

17 - Department of Finance and Administration;

18 - Office of Statistics, Budget and Economic

19 Management;

20 - Department of Foreign Affairs;

21 - College of Micronesia-FSM;

22 - FSM Telecommunications Corporation; and

23 - National Fisheries Corporation.

24 (2) The Office of Environment and Emergency

25 Management shall coordinate the implementation of the

1 CC Policy; and gather, make publicly available, and
2 keep the required plans and policies from the
3 departments and agencies mentioned in subsection (1)
4 (3) The Office of Environment and Emergency
5 Management shall advise the President and represent
6 the Executive on any public hearing called by
7 Congress on the progress of implementation of the CC
8 Policy."

9 Section 5. Title 25 of the Code of the Federated States of
10 Micronesia, as amended, is hereby further amended by inserting a
11 new section 803 under chapter 8 to read as follows:

12 "Section 803.Reporting Obligations .

13 (1) Every year starting with Fiscal year 2015 the
14 President of the Federated States of Micronesia shall
15 submit a report to Congress on the progress of the
16 implementation of the CC Policy, and recommend
17 additional legislation where applicable and necessary.

18 (2) The President in the April 1 submission to
19 Congress of the national budget request shall include
20 one or more specific line items for the implementation
21 of the CC Policy."

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1 Section 6. 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: 9/19/13

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