A BILL FOR AN ACT

To create a new section 224C of title 55 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, to clarify the procurement process of the Judicial and Legislative branches of the national government and of the National Public Auditor's Office with respect to computer equipment, and for other purposes.

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

- Section 1. Title 55 of the Code of the Federated States 1
- of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, is hereby amended by
- creating a new section 224C to read as follows:
- 4 "Section 224C. Procurement of Computer Equipment.
- 5 (1) Custody of Used Computer Equipment. To protect
- the confidentiality of data therein, the Judicial and 6
- Legislative branches of the national government and the 7
- National Public Auditor's Office shall have the option

of retaining the custody of used or inoperative computer

- 10 equipment, instead of turning such assets over to the
- 11 Department of Finance and Administration for the purpose
- 12 of procurement or replacement. The branches of
- 13 government exercising that option shall so notify the
- Secretary and institute internal policies and procedures 14
- 15 to account for and protect such assets."
- 16 (2) Choice of Equipment. The Judicial and
- Legislative branches shall have the full discretion to 17
- choose the computer equipment to procure. 18

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(3) For the purpose of this section "computer equipment" shall mean computer, laptop, monitor, printer, server, equipment including smartphones, and any equipment normally associated with a computer system. Section 2. This act shall become law upon the approval of 7 the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or by its 8 becoming law without such approval. Introduced by: /s/ Wesley W. Simina Date: 6/30/21 Wesley W. Simina