

## The President Palikir, Pohnpei Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 21-209
FSM CONGRESS

February 7, 2020

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina Speaker Twenty-First Congress Federated States of Micronesia Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Simina:

I am pleased to transmit the following Act, which I have signed into Public Law No. 21-74:

Congressional Act No. 21-74, entitled: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 21-19, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 21-39, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 6 AND 9 THEREOF, IN ORDER TO CLARIFY THE ALLOWABLE RECESSES TO BE CALLED BY THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION, TO PROVIDE ALLOWANCES TO ELIGIBLE DELEGATES TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION FOR THEIR ATTENDANCE DURING SESSION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I take the opportunity to thank the 21st Congress for the passage of this act.

Sincerely,

David W Panuelo President

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court

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His Excellency David W. Panuelo President Federated States of Micronesia Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Panuelo:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 21-74, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW 21-19, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 21-39, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 6 AND 9 THEREOF, IN ORDER TO CLARIFY THE ALLOWABLE RECESSES TO BE CALLED BY THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION, TO PROVIDE ALLOWANCES TO ELIGIBLE DELEGATES TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION FOR THEIR ATTENDANCE DURING SESSION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Twenty-First Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2020, 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



TWENTY-FIRST CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA THIRD REGULAR SESSION JANUARY 27 – FEBRUARY 15, 2020

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## An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW 21-19, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 21-39, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 6 AND 9 THEREOF, IN ORDER TO CLARIFY THE ALLOWABLE RECESSES TO BE CALLED BY THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION, TO PROVIDE ALLOWANCES TO ELIGIBLE DELEGATES TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION FOR THEIR ATTENDANCE DURING SESSION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: WESLEY W. SIMINA

DATE: JANUARY 27, 2020

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

WITHDRAWN - JANUARY 28, 2020

FIRST READING: - JANUARY 28, 2020

SECOND READING: - JANUARY 30, 2020

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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ACT NO. 21-74

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 21-119, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on January 30 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twenty-First Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2020, 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.

Wesley W. Simina

Speaker

Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis Chief Clerk

Congress of the

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### AN ACT

To further amend Public Law 21-19, as amended by Public Law No. 21-39, by amending sections 6 and 9 thereof, in order to clarify the allowable recesses to be called by the Constitutional Convention, to provide allowances to eligible delegates to the Constitutional Convention for their attendance during session, and for other purposes.

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 6 of Public Law No. 21-19, as amended, is
- 2 hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 "Section 6. Procedures.
- (1) The Constitutional Convention shall be convened on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January, 2020, and the Constitutional Convention shall continue in session for no longer than thirty calendar days;
- PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Convention may:
- 9 (a) call recesses, including one extended recess of
  10 between 3 and 30 consecutive calendar days, which shall
  11 not be included in the calculation of the calendar days
  12 the Constitutional Convention is in session and for which
  13 no daily allowance under section 9 shall be paid; and
  - (b) extend the session, if necessary, for up to a total of forty-five calendar days.
- 16 (2) The President of the Federated States of
  17 Micronesia, or their designee, shall act as President of
  18 the Convention until the Convention selects a President

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1	from among its membership.
2	(3) The Convention shall select, from among its
3	membership, a President and such additional officers as
4	it may deem necessary and appropriate.
5	(4) The Convention shall adopt its own rules and
6	procedures not inconsistent with this act. All sessions
7	of the Convention shall be open to the public."
8	(5) A quorum of the Convention shall consist of all of
9	the four state delegations. For the purpose of
10	determining a quorum, a state delegation is not present
11	unless more than one-half of the delegates from that
12	state are present."
13	Section 2. Section 9 of Public Law No. 21-19, as amended, is
14	hereby amended to read as follows:
15	"Section 9. Expenses of delegates and staff.
16	(1) All delegates and staff of the Convention shall be
17	entitled to per diem and travel expenses at standard rates,
18	as provided by the Financial Management Regulations of the
19	National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia,
20	while on the business of the Convention.
21	(2) Any delegate who is an official or employee of the
22	National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia
23	shall be placed on administrative leave with pay and shall be
24	entitled to receive their regular salary during their service
25	as delegate.

1	(3) Delegates who are not getting paid by the national
2	government or a state government during the session for the
3	Constitutional Convention shall be entitled to a daily
4	allowance for their attendance during the session of the
5	Constitutional Convention at a rate of \$200 per day."
6	Section 3. This act shall become law upon approval by
7	President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
8	becoming law without such approval.
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16	David W. Panuelo
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