

# The President Palikir, Pohnpei Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 2/-2/1
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. 21-76:

Congressional Act No. 21-73, entitled: "AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE IMPORTATION OF ONE-TIME-USE DISPOSABLE STYROFOAM AND PLASTIC FOOD SERVICE ITEMS, AND PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS, BY ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 4 OF TITLE 25 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

David W. Panuelo President

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court



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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 21-3

January <u>30</u>, 2020

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. 21-73, "AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE IMPORTATION OF ONE-TIME-USE DISPOSABLE STYROFOAM AND PLASTIC FOOD SERVICE ITEMS, AND PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS, BY ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 4 OF TITLE 25 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), AS AMENDED, 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



## PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 21-2//

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

### An Act

TO PROHIBIT THE IMPORTATION OF ONE-TIME-USE DISPOSABLE STYROFOAM AND PLASTIC FOOD SERVICE ITEMS, AND PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS, BY ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 4 OF TITLE 25 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: FERNY S. PERMAN

DATE: JANUARY 27, 2020

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

WITHDRAWN - NOVEMBER 28, 2019

FIRST READING: - NOVEMBER 28, 2019

SECOND READING: - JANUARY 29, 2020

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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> PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 21-21/ FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 21-73

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 21-98, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on January 29 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

Federated States of Micronesia

#### AN ACT

To prohibit the importation of one-time-use disposable Styrofoam and plastic food service items, and plastic shopping bags, by enacting a new chapter 4 of title 25 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, and for other purposes.

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

- 1 Section 1. Title 25 of the Code of the Federated States of
- 2 Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, is hereby further amended by
- 3 enacting a new chapter 4 entitled: "Prohibition on the importation
- 4 of one-time-use disposable Styrofoam and plastic food service
- 5 items and plastic shopping bags."
- 6 Section 2. Title 25 of the Code of the Federated States of
- 7 Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, is hereby further amended by
- 8 enacting a new section 401 of chapter 4 to read as follows:
- 9 "Section 401. It shall be unlawful for a person to
- import one-time-use disposable Styrofoam and plastic food
- service items, such as: plates, cups and eating utensils,
- 12 and plastic shopping bags."
- 13 Section 3. Title 25 of the Code of the Federated States of
- 14 Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, is hereby further amended by
- 15 enacting a new section 402 of chapter 4 to read as follows:
- 16 "Section 402. Nothing in this section shall prevent a
- 17 person from importing reusable or recycled Styrofoam or
- 18 plastic food service items, or plastic shopping bags."

1	Section 4. Title 25 of the Code of the Federated States of
2	Micronesia (Annotated), hereby amended, is hereby further amended
3	by enacting a new section 403 of chapter 4 to read as follows:
4	"Section 403. For the purposes of this section, an
5	immigration or customs officer may at all reasonable
6	times and based on reasonable suspicion seize and
7	destroy any items prohibited under this chapter."
8	Section 5. The provisions of Section 2 of this act shall
9	become effective on July 1, 2020.
10	Section 6. This act shall become law upon the approval by
11	the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or its
12	becoming law without such approval
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