A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 21-19, as amended by Public Law Nos. 21-39, 21-74, 21-109, 21-154 and 22-66, by amending section 6 thereof, to allow the Constitutional Convention to convene whether in person or virtually during the pandemic period, 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 by
- 2 Public Law Nos. 21-39, 21-74, 21-109, 21-154 and 22-66, is hereby
- 3 further amended to read as follows:
- "Section 6. Procedures. 4
- 5 The Constitutional Convention shall be convenient on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in 6 January, 2020, and the Constitutional Convention shall 7 8 continue in session no longer than thirty calendar days; 9 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Convention may:
- call recesses, including one extended recess of between 11 3 and 30 consecutive calendar days, which shall not be 12 included in the calculation of the calendar days the Constitutional Convention is in session and for which no 13 daily allowance under section 9 shall be paid; 14
- (a) extend the session, if necessary, for up to 15 16 a total of forty-five calendar days; and
- 17 (b) The Constitutional Convention may call an 18 additional recess until the coronavirus emergency

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declaration is revoked, which shall not be included in the calculation of the calendar days that the Constitutional Convention is in session and for which no daily allowance under section 9 shall be paid. extended recess due to the coronavirus emergency [will be resumed] shall end at the call of the President of the Constitutional Convention, calling for either in person or virtual meeting, but no later than 3 months after the coronavirus emergency declaration is revoked. [or virtually, at any time during the coronavirus emergency but no later than 3 months after the coronavirus emergency declaration is revoked. | After such recess, the Convention shall continue the remaining session days of the Convention in consecutive calendar days, excluding Sundays. The Convention may call for a recess or recesses that total no more than three calendar days when it reconvenes after the coronavirus emergency and before it recesses sine die. Delegates shall not be entitled to any allowance, as prescribed under section 9, during the coronavirus emergency recess. (2) The President of the Federated States of

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(2) The President of the Federated States of Micronesia, or their designer, shall act as the President of the Convention until the Convention selects a President from among it membership.

1	(3) The Convention shall select, from among it's
2	membership, a President and such additional officers as
3	it may seem necessary and appropriate.
4	(4) The Convention shall adopt its own rules and
5	procedures not inconsistent with this act. All sessions
6	of the Convention shall be open to the public.
7	(5) A quorum of the Convention shall consist of all
8	the four states. For the purpose of determining a quorum,
9	a state delegation is not present unless more than one-
10	half of the delegates from that state are present.
11	Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the
12	President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
13	becoming law without such approval.
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15	Date: 1/24/22 Introduced by: /s/ Wesley W. Simina
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