

# The President Palikir, Pohnpei Federated States of Micronesia

December 15, 2021

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

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. No. 22-164
FSM CONGRESS

Dear Speaker Simina:

I am pleased to transmit the following act, which I have signed to become Public Law No. 22-66

Congressional Act No. 22-57, entitled: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 21-19, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 21-39, 21-74, 21-109 AND 21-154, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, TO EXCLUDE SUNDAYS FROM THE DEFINITION OF CONSECUTIVE CALENDAR DAYS TO CLARIFY THAT THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION SHALL ONLY RECONVENE IN-PERSON AFTER THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION; OR MAY RECONVENE VIRTUALLY AT ANY TIME, IF DURING THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION, TO ALLOW FOR UP TO THREE RECESS DAYS BETWEEN WHEN THE CONVENTION RECONVENES FOLLOWING THE CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY AND BEFORE ADJOURNING SINE DIE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I wish to thank the 22<sup>nd</sup> FSM Congress for the passage of this act.

Sincerely

David W. Panuelo

President

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court

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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 22-164
FSM CONGRESS

November 20, 2021

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. 22-57, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 21-19, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 21-39, 21-74, 21-109 AND 21-154, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, TO EXCLUDE SUNDAYS FROM THE DEFINITION OF CONSECUTIVE CALENDAR DAYS TO CLARIFY THAT THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION SHALL ONLY RECONVENE IN-PERSON AFTER THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION; OR MAY RECONVENE VIRTUALLY AT ANY TIME, IF DURING THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION, TO ALLOW FOR UP TO THREE RECESS DAYS BETWEEN WHEN THE CONVENTION RECONVENES FOLLOWING THE CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY AND BEFORE ADJOURNING SINE DIE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Special Session, 2021, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

Jessicalynn Reyes

Chief Clerk, Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



## PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 22-104 FSM CONGRESS

TWENTY-SECOND CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA SECOND SPECIAL SESSION NOVEMBER 15 - 19, 2021

### An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 21-19, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 21-39, 21-74, 21-109 AND 21-154, BY AMENDING SECTION 6 THEREOF, TO EXCLUDE SUNDAYS FROM THE DEFINITION OF CONSECUTIVE CALENDAR DAYS TO CLARIFY THAT THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION SHALL ONLY RECONVENE IN-PERSON AFTER THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION; OR MAY RECONVENE VIRTUALLY AT ANY TIME, IF DURING THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION, TO ALLOW FOR UP TO THREE RECESS DAYS BETWEEN WHEN THE CONVENTION RECONVENES FOLLOWING THE CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY AND BEFORE ADJOURNING SINE DIE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: WESLEY W. SIMINA

DATE: NOVEMBER 12, 2021

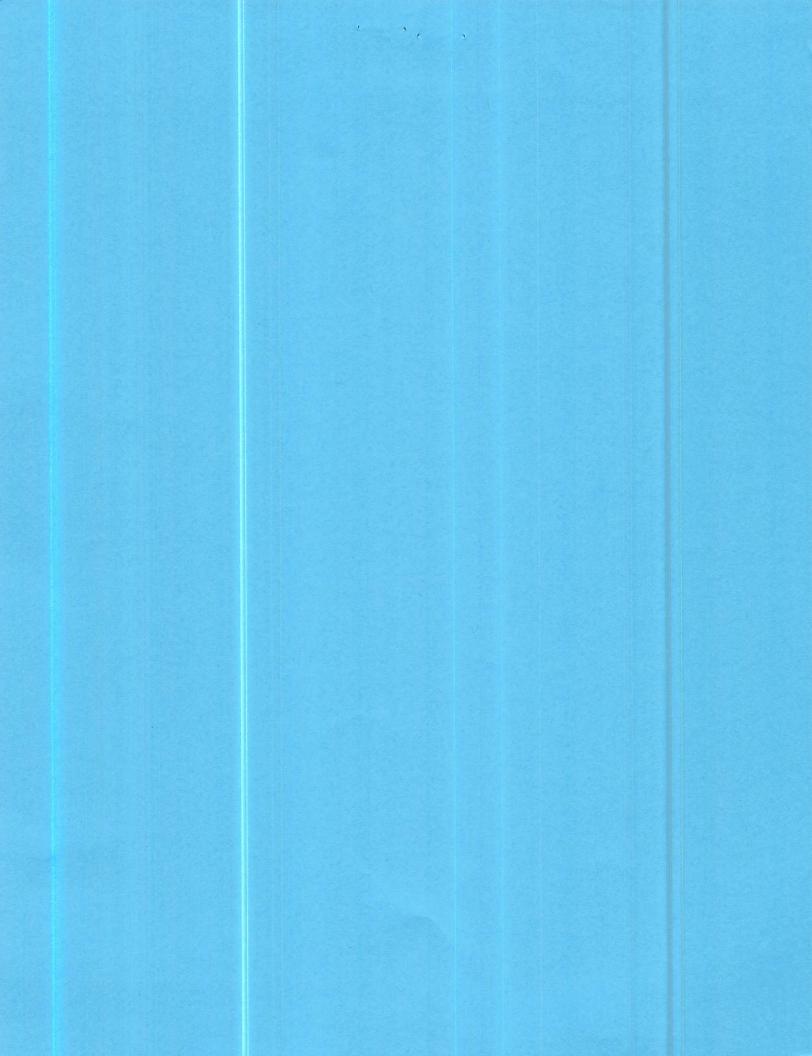
REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

WITHDRAWN - NOVEMBER 18, 2021

FIRST READING: - NOVEMBER 18, 2021

SECOND READING: - NOVEMBER 19, 2021

Jessiealynn Reyes Chief Clerk, FSM Congress





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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 22-164 **FSM CONGRESS** 

ACT NO. 22-57

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 22-101, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on November 19, 2021 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Special Session, 2021, 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.

Speaker

Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

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Chief Clerk

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#### AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 21-19, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 21-39, 21-74, 21-109 and 21-154, by amending section 6 thereof, to exclude Sundays from the definition of consecutive calendar days, to clarify that the Constitutional Convention shall only reconvene inperson after the emergency declaration; or may reconvene virtually at any time, if during the emergency declaration, to allow for up to three recess days between when the Convention reconvenes following the coronavirus emergency and before adjourning sine die, and for other purposes.

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

- Section 1. Section 6 of Public Law No. 21-19, as amended BY
- 2 Public Law Nos. 21-39, 21-74, 21-109 and 21-154, is hereby further
- amended to read as follows:
- 4 "Section 6. Procedures.
- 5 (1) The Constitutional Convention shall be convened
- 6 on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January,
- 7 2020, and the Constitutional Convention shall continue
- in session for no longer than thirty calendar days;
- 9 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Convention may:
- 10 (a) call recesses, including one extended recess
- of between 3 and 30 consecutive calendar days, which 11
- 12 shall not be included in the calculation of the calendar
- 13 days the Constitutional Convention is in session and for
- 14 which no daily allowance under section 9 shall be paid;

1	(b) extend the session, if necessary, for up to
2	a total of forty-five calendar days; and
3	(c) The Constitutional Convention may call an

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additional recess until the coronavirus emergency 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 at the call of the President of the Constitutional Convention either, in person, no later than 3 months after and not until 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

1	Micronesia, or their designee, shall act as President of
2	the Convention until the Convention selects a President
3	from among its membership.
4	(3) The Convention shall select, from among its
5	membership, a President and such additional officers as
6	it may deem necessary and appropriate.
7	(4) The Convention shall adopt its own rules and
8	procedures not inconsistent with this act. All sessions
9	of the Convention shall be open to the public.
10	(5) A quorum of the Convention shall consist of
11	all of the four state delegations. For the purpose of
12	determining a quorum, a state delegation is not present
13	unless more than one-half of the delegates from that
14	state are present."
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1	Section 2.	This act shall become law upon approval by the
2	President of the	Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming
3	law without such	approval.
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11		David W. Panuelo  President
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