



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-144
FSM CONGRESS



September 28, 2023

The Honorable Esmond B. Moses
Speaker
Twenty-third Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Moses,

I am pleased to transmit the following act, which I have signed to become Public Law No. 23-26:

Congressional Act No. 23-23, entitled: "AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-37, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-45, 22-76, 22-178 AND 23-16, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND LAPSE DATE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF YAP, KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I wish to thank you, Speaker Moses, and your esteemed Members of the 23rd FSM Congress for the passage of this act.

Sincerely,


Wesley W. Simina
President



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September 22, 2023

His Excellency Wesley W. Simina
President
Federated States of Micronesia
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

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President FSM

Dear President Simina:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 23-23, "AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-37, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-45, 22-76, 22-178 AND 23-16, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND LAPSE DATE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF YAP, KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2023, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

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Jessicalynn Reyes
Chief Clerk, Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-144
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TWENTY- THIRD CONGRESS OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
SECOND REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 12 – OCTOBER 1, 2023

An Act

TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-37, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-45, 22-76, 22-178 AND 23-16, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND LAPSE DATE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF YAP, KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: ISAAC V. FIGIR

DATE: SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

REFERRED TO: WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE
WITHDRAWN – SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

FIRST READING: SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

SECOND READING: SEPTEMBER 21, 2023

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Jessicalynn Reyes
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 23-23

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-43, C.D.1,
C.D.2, C.D.3)

We hereby certify that on September 21 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2023, 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.

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Esmond B. Moses
Speaker
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jessicalynn Reyes".

Jessicalynn Reyes
Chief Clerk
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

TWENTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 2023

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-43, C.D.1,
C.D.2, C.D.3

AN ACT

To amend Public Law No. 22-37, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 22-45, 22-76, 22-178 and 23-16, by amending sections 3, 4 and 6 thereof, to change the use and lapse date of funds previously appropriated therein for the purpose of funding public projects and social programs for the people of Yap, Kosrae, Pohnpei and Chuuk States, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 3 of Public Law No. 22-37, is hereby
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 3. Of the \$2,800,000 appropriated under this
4 act, \$400,000 shall be apportioned for public projects
5 and social programs for the people of Kosrae State.
6 state of Kosrae..... \$ 400,000
7 (1) At Large 200,000
8 (a) State Police vehicle(s) purchase 30,000
9 (b) Fomseng farm road 16,000
10 (c) Emergency medical referral assistance 20,000
11 (d) Low Income housing
12 renovation/improvement 50,000
13 (e) Fishing Project 44,000
14 (f) Community activities, events
15 and programs 20,000
16 (g) Public parking and landscaping – Utwe 20,000
17 (2) Election District No. 1 200,000

1	(a) Contributions to community events,	
2	programs and activities	\$ 20,000
3	(b) Landfill in Utwe	-0-
4	(c) Purchase of laptop computers ...	-0-
5	(d) Travel and associated costs	
6	for a Kosraean group in Pohnpei to Kosrae	
7	and return to Pohnpei	20,000
8	(e) Subsidy for FSM Telecom -	
9	Kosrae branch	50,000
10	(f) Renovation of a public	
11	building in Utwe	-0-
12	(g) Travel and associated costs	
13	for Hafa Adai fellowship .. group from Guam	
14	to Kosrae and return	20,000
15	(h) Kosrae Airport area landscaping	20,000
16	(i) Travels during the pandemic	
17	for medical purposes	20,000
18	(j) Travel and associated costs for	
19	a Kosraean group in Guam to Kosrae and	
20	return to Guam	50,000"

21 Section 2. Section 4 of Public Law No. 22-37,
22 as amended by Public Law No. 22-45, is hereby further
23 amended to read as follows:

24 "Section 4. Of the \$2,800,000 appropriated under this
25 act, \$800,000 shall be apportioned for public projects

1	and social programs for the people of Pohnpei State.	
2	state of Pohnpei.....	\$ 800,000
3	(1) At Large.....	200,000
4	(a) U, Takaieu Southeast Community	
5	road improvement	25,000
6	(b) U, Takaieu powerline extension .	25,000
7	(c) Children medical assistance subsidy	20,000
8	(d) Students repatriation subsidy ..	15,000
9	(e) Lenger Island Community Development	15,000
10	(f) Administrative support costs ...	25,000
11	(g) Paies road repair	25,000
12	(h) Pohnpei State Public Safety	
13	Community programs	15,000
14	(i) Nanmeir road repair	15,000
15	(j) Kepin Souna, Nett road repair ..	20,000
16	(2) Election District No. 1.....	200,000
17	(a) Sokehs Ridge Solar Lighting project	14,000
18	(b) Sokehs Ridge Cleaning 2022	25,000
19	(c) Daini Sidewalk	15,000
20	(d) Solar lights for Kolonia Secondary road	30,000
21	(e) Spanish Wall Electric installation/	
22	Lighting	15,000
23	(f) PUC water plant subsidy	15,000
24	(g) Pohnrakied and Roie basketball	
25	solar lights	\$ 20,000

1	(h) Kolonia Senior citizen subsidy .	10,000
2	(i) Nanmadap Bridge supplement	15,000
3	(j) Outboard Motors (15 horse power)	21,000
4	(k) COM-FSM students' outstanding debts	20,000
5	(3) Election District No. 2.....	200,000
6	(a) UCCP summit implementation	13,000
7	(b) Madolenimw election	12,000
8	(c) Madolenimw liberation day	5,000
9	(d) Upper PATS road improvement	25,000
10	(e) Medical referral	15,000
11	(f) Lewetik Civic Center	10,000
12	(g) Meninkeder Lapapal office vehicle	20,000
13	(h) Road improvement	50,000
14	(i) Pohnahlap road improvement	50,000
15	(4) Election District No. 3.....	200,000
16	(a) Liwi to Nanpil road repair/paving	100,000
17	(b) Nanu wharf rehabilitation	100,000"

18 Section 3. Section 6 of Public Law No. 22-37, as amended by
19 Public Law No. 22-45, is hereby further amended to read as
20 follows:

21 "Section 6. Allotment and management of funds and lapse
22 date. All funds appropriated by this act shall be
23 allotted, managed, administered and accounted for in
24 accordance with applicable laws, including, but not
25 limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979. The

1 allottee shall be responsible for ensuring that these
2 funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are used
3 solely for the purpose specified in this act, and that
4 no obligations are incurred in excess of the sum
5 appropriated. The allottee of the funds appropriated
6 under section 2 of this act shall be the Governor of Yap
7 State or his designee. The allottee of funds
8 appropriated under sections 3 and 4 of this act shall be
9 the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or
10 his designee; PROVIDED THAT the allottee of funds
11 appropriated under section 3(1) of this act shall be the
12 Governor of Kosrae State or his designee; the allottee
13 of funds appropriated under section 3(2) of this act
14 shall be the Mayor of Lelu Town Government or his
15 designee the allottee of funds appropriated under
16 subsection 4(1)(b) of this act shall be the Pohnpei
17 Utility Corporation (PUC); the allottee of funds
18 appropriated under subsection 4(1)(d) of this act shall
19 be the Secretary of the Department of Education or his
20 designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under
21 subsection 4(1)(h) of this act shall be the Secretary of
22 the Department of Justice or his designee; the allottee
23 of funds appropriated under sections 4(1)(a), 4(1)(e),
24 4(1)(f), 4(1)(g), 4(1)(i) and 4(1)(j), of this act shall
25 be the Secretary of the Department of Transportation,

1 Communications and Infrastructure or his designee,
2 except that the allottee of funds appropriated under
3 subsection 4(2)(k) of this act shall be the President of
4 COM-FSM or his designee; the allottee of funds
5 appropriated under subsections 4(3)(d), 4(3)(i) and
6 4(4)(a) of this act shall be the Pohnpei Transportation
7 Authority (PTA); the allottee of funds appropriated
8 under subsections and 4(1)(c) and 4(3)(e) of this act
9 shall be the Secretary of the Department of Health and
10 Social Affairs or her designee. The allottee of the
11 funds appropriated under subsections 5(1) and 5(6) of
12 this act shall be the Governor of Chuuk State or his
13 designee; the allottee of the funds appropriated under
14 subsection 5(2) of this act shall be the Mortlocks
15 Island Development Authority (MIDA), the allottee of
16 funds appropriated under section 5(3) of this act shall
17 be the Mayor of Weno Municipality or his designee; the
18 allottee of the funds appropriated under subsection 5(4)
19 of this act shall be the Southern Namoneas Development
20 Authority; the allottee of the funds appropriated under
21 subsection 5(5) of this act shall be the Faichuk
22 Development Authority. The authority of the allottee to
23 obligate funds appropriated by this act shall lapse on
24 September 30, 2025."

25 Section 3. This act shall become law upon approval by the

1 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
2 becoming law without such approval.

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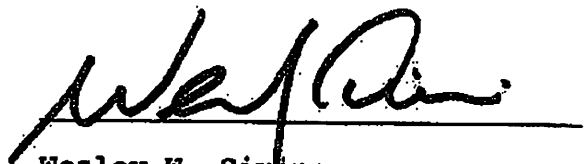
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Wesley W. Simina

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