



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-71
FSM CONGRESS

October 20, 2023



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

Dear Speaker Moses:

I am transmitting the following Congressional Act, which I have signed to become Public Law No. 23-36 with item veto as explained in this transmittal:

Congressional Act No. 23-32, entitled: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-180, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-187, 22-188, 23-03 23-09 AND 23-11, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4, 5 AND 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I have been advised that with respect to section 4(2)(ab), 4(2)(ac) and 4(2)(ad), the funds were already allotted and fully spent leaving me with no choice but item veto them. The remaining amendments appear in order. Thank you.

Sincerely,


Wesely W. Simina
President

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court



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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-171
FSM CONGRESS

September 29, 2023

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

Dear President Simina:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 23-32, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-180, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-187, 22-188, 23-03, 23-09 AND 23-11, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4, 5 AND 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF 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. 23-71
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TWENTY- THIRD CONGRESS OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
SECOND REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 12 – OCTOBER 1, 2023

An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-180, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-187, 22-188, 23-03, 23-09 AND 23-11, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4, 5 AND 6 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: QUINCY LAWRENCE

DATE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

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WITHDRAWN – SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

FIRST READING: SEPTEMBER 21, 2023

SECOND READING: SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

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Jessicalynn Reyes
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-171
FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 23-32

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-37, C.D.1,
C.D.2, C.D.3)

We hereby certify that on September 26 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

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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. 23-37, C.D.1,
C.D.2, C.D.3

AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 22-180, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 22-187, 22-188, 23-03, 23-09 and 23-11, by amending sections 3, 4, 5 and 6 thereof, for the purpose of changing the use and allottee of funds previously appropriated therein, to fund public projects and social programs for the people of Kosrae, Pohnpei and Chuuk States, and for other purposes.

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

2 Section 1. Section 3 of Public Law No. 22-180, as amended by
3 Public Laws Nos. 22-187 and 22-188, is hereby further amended to
4 read as follows:

5 "Section 3. Of the \$8,820,000 appropriated under this
6 act, \$1,260,000 shall be apportioned for public projects
7 and social programs for the people of Kosrae State

8 state of Kosrae \$ 1,260,000

9 (1) At Large 630,000

10 (a) Tafunsak multipurpose facility . 40,000

11 (b) Utwe Municipality Government heavy
12 equipment 60,000

13 (c) Purchase of Solar lights 50,000

14 (d) Staff development - Delegation Office 10,000

15 (e) Mediation program subsidy 10,000

16 (f) Purchase of boats/outboard motors 50,000

17 (g) Travel needs 60,000

18 (h) Tofol river clearing 15,000

1	(i) Kemeun to Yekirak farm road clearing \$	40,000
2	(j) Heavy equipment purchase	40,000
3	(k) Tafunsak Municipal Government subsidy	40,000
4	(l) Malem Municipal Government subsidy	30,000
5	(m) Contributions to community events,	
6	activity and programs	35,000
7	(n) Kosrae SDA school subsidy	30,000
8	(o) Purchase of sports equipment - Lelu	
9	(p) Purchase of sports equipment - Utwe	5,000
10	(q) Purchase of sports equipment - Malem	
11	(r) Purchase of sport equipment - Tafunsak	5,000
12	(s) Purchase of sports equipment - Welung	
13	Youth	2,000
14	(t) Yelum drainage improvement	15,000
15	(u) Tafunsak roadside cleaning/maintenance	28,000
16	(v) Infalsungalik to Sronsrono	
17	river clearing	20,000
18	(w) Purchase of filling materials ..	25,000
19	(x) Sport equipment for Kosrae State Sport	10,000
20	(2) Election District No. 1	630,000
21	(a) Liaison Officer-Hawaii	40,000
22	(b) Supplemental funding for Sewing Project	20,000
23	(c) Walung channel clearing/improvement	10,000
24	(d) Malem beautification project ...	5,000
25	(e) Purchase of boats and outboard motors \$	35,000

1	(f) Renovation of KHS dining areas \$	18,000
2	(g) Purchase of wheelchairs	7,000
3	(h) Contribution to Kas In Kol group	10,000
4	(i) Purchase of cell phones	20,000
5	(j) Purchase of laptop computers ...	20,000
6	(k) Contribution of Lelu Public Market	10,000
7	(l) Supplemental funding – land acquisition	
8	for Lelu Town Government	25,000
9	(m) Supplemental funding to Inkoanu, Utwe	
10	Farm road	10,000
11	(n) Contributions to community events,	
12	programs, activities	20,000
13	(o) Supplemental funding to Sroanef to	
14	Finahnpes seawall	100,000
15	(p) Contributions to a Community	
16	building in Lelu	30,000
17	(q) Lelu Town Government subsidy ...	30,000
18	(r) Utwe Municipal Government subsidy	30,000
19	(s) Mosroal to Utwe farm road improvement	20,000
20	(t) Purchase of excavator	60,000
21	(u) Purchase of dump trucks	100,000
22	(v) Purchase of heavy equipment	-0-
23	(w) Malem Youth travel needs and related costs	
24	to Pohnpei and return	10,000"
25	Section 2. Section 4 of Public Law No. 22-180, as amended by	

1 Public Laws Nos. 22-188, 22-09 and 23-11, is hereby further
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "Section 4. Of the \$8,820,000 appropriated under this
4 act, \$2,520,000 shall be apportioned for public projects
5 and social programs for the people of Pohnpei State.

6 state of Pohnpei \$ 2,520,000

7 (1) At Large..... 630,000

8 (a) Kahmar to Lipwour road

9 repair and maintenance 100,000

10 (b) Congressional administrative

11 support costs 50,000

12 (c) Pohnpei Hospital medical wards

13 repair and renovation 100,000

14 (d) Pohnpei Outer Islands Vessel

15 Operations (salaries and wages for crews) . 75,000

16 (e) Lohd Road Paving 50,000

17 (f) Pohnpei Public Safety supplies

18 and equipment 25,000

19 (g) Congressional Administrative

20 support costs 25,000

21 (h) Children Medical Referral

22 Assistance 25,000

23 (i) Students financial assistance .. 25,000

24 (j) Kahmar asphalt road repair

25 (material and labor costs) 30,000

1	(k) Nansoumwuhmw farm road extension \$	50,000
2	(l) Repair and maintenance	
3	of Lady Pohnpei	25,000
4	(m) Outer islands services costs	
5	for Lady Minto and Lady Pohnpei	50,000
6	(2) Election District No. 1.....	630,000
7	(a) Nukuoru Women Sewing project ...	10,000
8	(b) Kolonia Senior Citizens subsidy	10,000
9	(c) Kepinkep Community Nahs maintenance	10,000
10	(d) Pohnpei State Environment Protection	
11	Agency building construction and maintenance	30,000
12	(e) Communication internet rental ..	10,000
13	(f) Soledi upper road project	70,000
14	(g) Purchase of wheelchairs	15,000
15	(h) Kousapw Eihr paved road overlay	30,000
16	(i) Pohnpei Catholic School subsidy	10,000
17	(j) Pohnpei State EPA parking and	
18	road paving	15,000
19	(k) Pohras overlay paving (Iohl) ...	30,000
20	(l) Sokehs Pah access roads paving .	30,000
21	(m) Sokehs Powe access roads paving \$	15,000
22	(n) Bleachers Kolonia-China Gymnasium	25,000
23	(o) Pohnpei Port Authority airport chairs	30,000
24	(p) Open Market Causeway	
25	project supplemental	-0-

1	(q) Sapwuahfik Municipal	
2	Government subsidy	\$ -0-
3	(r) Sekere-Nikehwe road overlay paving	70,000
4	(s) Lien Alem Care Center support ..	20,000
5	(t) Land transportation	20,000
6	(u) Misfit Exercise facility maintenance	10,000
7	(v) Sokehs ridges cleaning/clearing	20,000
8	(w) Sapwufik Community house expansion	25,000
9	(x) Agriculture access road	-0-
10	(y) Sapwohn Community house	-0-
11	(z) Pwilinsokon Community house	-0-
12	(aa) Administrative support costs ...	50,000
13	(ab) Travel and associated costs for	
14	Pohnpei Women Council to Kosrae - FSM Women	
15	Conference 2023	20,000
16	(ac) Sokehs Annual Agricultural Fair	20,000
17	(ad) Nan Madap road repair/paving ...	35,000
18	(3) Election District No. 2.....	630,000
19	(a) Areu (David) road	25,000
20	(b) Coral purchase	20,000
21	(c) MERIP	25,000
22	(d) Diadi Madolenihmw	35,000
23	(e) Medical referral	30,000
24	(f) Nankerpene bridge	55,000
25	(g) Temwen Civic Center	15,000

1	(h) Ipwitek road paving	\$ 25,000
2	(i) Kitamw road/bridge improvement .	50,000
3	(j) Nanpworonais road paving	35,000
4	(k) Nan Mand road	100,000
5	(l) Election District No. 2 administrative	
6	support Service	30,115
7	(m) Madolenihmw secondary road improvement	60,000
8	(n) Kitti secondary roads improvement	55,000
9	(o) Kitti Municipal Government subsidy	30,000
10	(p) Pohnpei basketball team travel needs	19,885
11	(q) Travel needs	20,000
12	(4) Election District No. 3.....	630,000
13	(a) Eirke road repair/paving	50,000
14	(b) Nett Municipal Government	
15	public projects	250,000
16	(c) Kepin Awak new road	35,000
17	(d) Nan U drainage	9,000
18	(e) Nan Welin Rohi Coral Capping ...	18,000
19	(f) Mwokilloa Municipal Government	
20	public projects	65,000
21	(g) Pingelap Municipal Government	
22	public projects	65,000
23	(h) U Luhke road rehabilitation	20,000
24	(i) Nan welin Rohi new road construction	15,000
25	(j) U Municipal court building	15,000

1	(k) Takaieu power	\$ 20,000
2	(l) Pohnpwet	68,000"
3	Section 3. Section 5 of Public Law No. 22-180, as amended	
4	by Public Laws Nos. 22-187, 22-188, 23-03, 23-09 and 23-11, is	
5	hereby further amended to read as follows:	
6	"Section 5. Of the \$8,820,000 appropriated under this	
7	act, \$3,780,000 shall be apportioned for public projects	
8	and social programs for the people of Chuuk State.	
9	state of Chuuk.....	\$ 3,780,000
10	(1) At Large.....	630,000
11	(a) Administrative Support Costs	
12	(prior obligations for salaries, benefits	
13	and others)	30,000
14	(b) Contributions to State, Municipal	
15	or Community Activities, Events and Programs	
16	(including prior obligation)	100,000
17	(c) Fishing projects	85,000
18	(d) Housing renovations	100,000
19	(e) Land transportations	95,000
20	(f) Water projects	30,000
21	(g) Patients/Students/Leaders travel needs	85,000
22	(h) Contributions to FSM Associations,	
23	Organizations & Groups within and outside the FSM	25,000
24	(i) Children's playground needs	-0-
25	(j) Municipal Constitutional Conventions	30,000

1	(k) Roads beautification/Seawalls improvement \$ 15,000	
2	(l) Northern Namoneas legislature	
3	delegation fund	35,000
4	(2) Election District No. 1... ..	630,000
5	(a) Mortlock Municipal Governments subsidy	90,000
6	(b) Solar System	50,000
7	(c) Housing renovation and maintenance ..	70,000
8	(d) Multipurpose buildings/construction/	
9	renovation	70,000
10	(e) Mortlock Islands Development Authority's	
11	vessels operation	60,000
12	(f) Chuuk Legislature Mortlock delegation	
13	representation funds	40,000
14	(g) Municipal road improvements	50,000
15	(h) Professional fees and prior obligations	10,000
16	(i) Fishing projects	90,000
17	(j) Travel needs	60,000
18	(k) Travel for Inauguration and other Special	
19	Occasions	40,000
20	(3) Election District No. 2.... ..	610,000
21	(a) ED#2 Administrative support costs ...	30,000
22	(b) Students financial assistance	30,000
23	(c) Housing renovation/rehabilitation ...	150,000
24	(d) Contributions to Associations abroad	30,000
25	(e) Human repatriation related costs	20,000

1	(f) Humanitarian assistance/	
2	food relief program	\$ 90,000
3	(g) Municipal Governments subsidy,	
4	of which 10,000 is for Mayor and Deputy Mayor of	
5	Weno Municipal Government representation fund	40,000
6	(h) Fishing project	30,000
7	(i) Land transportation	50,000
8	(j) Heavy equipment purchase/road maintenance	100,000
9	(k) Weno Constitution Day/Goodwill games	-0-
10	(l) Weno Election	10,000
11	(m) Travel needs	30,000
12	(4) Election District No. 3.....	690,000
13	(a) Water projects	10,000
14	(b) Solar project	28,000
15	(c) Sewing project	20,000
16	(d) Land acquisition for Uman Municipality	10,000
17	(e) Community events, activities and programs	20,000
18	(f) Contributions to Associations,	
19	Non-Government Organizations and chartered groups	50,000
20	(g) Humanitarian assistance/aid	60,000
21	(h) Housing renovations	62,000
22	(i) Students financial assistance	20,000
23	(j) Travel needs	40,000
24	(k) Non-insured patients' assistance/	
25	medicines/embalmmment related costs	10,000

1	(l) POL/Chartered/Freight	\$ 30,000
2	(m) Fishing projects	250,000
3	(n) Meeting Hall repair/improvement	25,000
4	(o) SNDA operation	30,000
5	(p) Land transportation	25,000
6	(5) Election District No. 4.....	610,000
7	(a) Students financial assistance	30,000
8	(b) Youths activities and programs	20,000
9	(c) Sewing project	40,000
10	(d) Fishing project	90,000
11	(e) Low income housing	80,000
12	(f) Nikumi road improvement	-0-
13	(g) Land transportation	40,000
14	(h) Leadership/Patients travel needs	40,000
15	(i) Repatriation of human remains	20,000
16	(j) FDA administrative support cost	30,000
17	(k) Food relief/food security program ...	65,000
18	(l) Fason road improvement	-0-
19	(m) Leadership travel needs	130,000
20	(n) Solar freezers	25,000
21	(6) Election District No. 5.....	610,000
22	(a) Community and Municipal	
23	activities/events/programs	50,000
24	(b) Low income/community multipurpose	
25	housing renovation/rehabilitation	50,000

1	(c) Students financial assistance	\$ 20,000
2	(d) Solar street lights	45,000
3	(e) Food relief program	50,000
4	(f) Land transportation	40,000
5	(g) Solar freezers	45,000
6	(h) Election District 5 Office	
7	administrative support costs	20,000
8	(i) PMA prior obligation (Northwest School	
9	supplies & freight costs)	-0-
10	(j) Fishing projects	50,000
11	(k) POL/Freight/Charters	80,000
12	(l) Musical instruments	45,000
13	(m) Patients/Students/Leaders travel needs	25,000
14	(n) Solar power system	45,000
15	(o) Leadership summit	-0-
16	(p) Fiber Glass boat repair	-0-
17	(q) Northwest Leadership travel needs ...	45,000"

18 Section 4. Section 6 of Public Law No. 22-180, as amended by
19 Public Laws Nos. 22-188 and 23-11, is hereby further amended to
20 read as 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; EXCEPT 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 subsections 4(1)(b), 4(1)(k), 4(1)(l), 4(2)(a), 4(2)(b),
17 4(2)(c), 4(2)(d), 4(2)(e), 4(2)(g), 4(2)(h), 4(2)(n),
18 4(2)(p), 4(2)(s), 4(2)(t), 4(2)(u), 4(2)(v), 4(3)(q) and
19 4(2)(aa) and 4(2)(ab) of this act shall be the Secretary
20 of the Department of Transportation, Communications and
21 Infrastructure or his designee; the allottee of funds
22 appropriated under subsections 4(1)(a), 4(1)(j),
23 4(2)(f), 4(2)(j), 4(2)(k), 4(2)(l), 4(2)(m), 4(2)(r),
24 4(2)(x), 4(3)(m) and 4(2)(n) of this act shall be the
25 Pohnpei Transportation Authority (PTA); the allottee of

1 funds appropriated under subsection 4(2)(i) of this act
2 shall be the Secretary of the Department of Education or
3 her designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under
4 subsection 4(2)(o) of this act shall be the Pohnpei Port
5 Authority (PPA); the allottee of funds appropriated
6 under subsections 4(2)(w), 4(2)(q) and 4(2)(z) of this
7 act shall be the Mayor of Sapwuahfik Municipal
8 Government or his designee, the allottee of funds
9 appropriated under subsections 4(2)(ac) and 4(2)(ad) of
10 this act shall be the Sokehs Municipal Government; the
11 allottee of the funds appropriated under subsections
12 5(1) and 5(6) of this act shall be the Governor of Chuuk
13 State or his designee; the allottee of the funds
14 appropriated under subsection 5(2) of this act shall be
15 the Mortlocks Island Development Authority (MIDA); the
16 allottee of the funds appropriated under subsection 5(3)
17 of this act shall be the Mayor of Weno Municipal
18 Government or his designee; the allottee of the funds
19 appropriated under subsection 5(4) of this act shall be
20 the Southern Namoneas Development Authority; the
21 allottee of the funds appropriated under subsection 5(5)
22 of this act shall be the Faichuk Development Authority.
23 The authority of the allottee to obligate funds
24 appropriated by this act shall lapse on September 30,
25 2025."

PUBLIC LAW NO. 23-36

1 Section 5. This act shall become law upon approval by the
2 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
3 becoming law without such approval.

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October 20, 2023

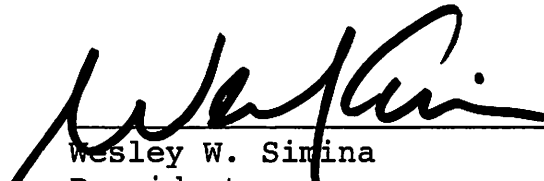
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Wesley W. Simina
President
Federated States of Micronesia

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