



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia



February 9, 2024

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

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-235
FSM CONGRESS

Dear Speaker Moses,

I transmit the following act, which I have signed into Public Law No. 23-55 with item veto for the reason stated in this transmittal:

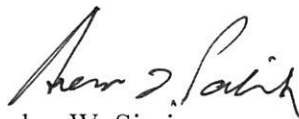
Congressional Act No. 23-60, entitled: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-124, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 19-133, 19-140, 19-150, 20-05, 20-15, 20-33, 20-48, 20-63, 20-71, 20-156, 20-175, 21-22, 21-52, 21-146, 21-195, 21-213, 21-244, 22-62 AND 22-111, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 2, 4 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PRIORITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS AND OTHER PROGRAMS FOR YAP AND POHNPEI STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I have been advised of the insufficiency of funds with respect to a funding for Yap State, in particular, the line item under section 2(1)(f) for the purchase of property in Guam or Honolulu. Per records of the Department of Finance & Administration, the fund balance for this project is less than the appropriated amount. The other line items are in order.

As such, it is not possible to amend the use of the fund at this time, giving me no choice but item veto section 2(1)(f) lines 4 through 8 on page 2.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

for 
Wesley W. Simina
President

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court



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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-235
FSM CONGRESS

January 24, 2024

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. 23-60, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-124, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 19-133, 19-140, 19-150, 20-05, 20-15, 20-33, 20-48, 20-63, 20-71, 20-156, 20-175, 21-22, 21-52, 21-146, 21-195, 21-213, 21-244, 22-62 AND 22-111, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 2, 4 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PRIORITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS AND OTHER PROGRAMS FOR YAP AND POHNPEI STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, which was passed by the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2024, 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. 23-235
FSM CONGRESS

TWENTY- THIRD CONGRESS OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
THIRD REGULAR SESSION
JANUARY 10 – 29, 2024

An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-124, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 19-133, 19-140, 19-150, 20-05, 20-15, 20-33, 20-48, 20-63, 20-71, 20-156, 20-175, 21-22, 21-52, 21-146, 21-195, 21-213, 21-244, 22-62 AND 22-111, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 2, 4 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PRIORITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS AND OTHER PROGRAMS FOR YAP AND POHNPEI STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: PETER M. CHRISTIAN

DATE: JANUARY 9, 2024

REFERRED TO: WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE
WITHDRAWN – JANUARY 16, 2024

FIRST READING: JANUARY 17, 2024

SECOND READING: JANUARY 23, 2024

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Jessicalynn Reyes
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-235
FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 23-60

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-70, C.D.1,
C.D.2)

We hereby certify that on January 23 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2024, 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

THIRD REGULAR SESSION, 2024 CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-70, C.D.1, C.D.2

AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 19-124, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 19-133, 19-140, 19-150, 20-05, 20-15, 20-33, 20-48, 20-63, 20-71, 20-156, 20-175, 21-22, 21-52, 21-146, 21-195, 21-213, 21-244, 22-62 and 22-111, by amending sections 2, 4 and 6 thereof, to change the use and allottee of certain funds previously appropriated therein, to fund priority infrastructure projects and other programs for Yap and Pohnpei States, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 2 of Public Law No. 19-124, as amended
2 by Public Laws Nos. 19-140 and 20-05 and 21-244, is hereby further
3 amended to read as follows:

4 "Section 2. Of the \$11,300,000 appropriated under this
5 act, \$1,750,000 shall be apportioned for priority
6 infrastructure projects in the state of Yap.

7 (1) state of Yap.....\$ 1,750,000

8 (a) Ulithi Community Health Center
9 repair, renovation, and purchase of necessary
10 medical equipment..... 120,000

11 (b) Yap Community Action Program (Yap CAP);
12 PROVIDED THAT, such funding is solely used for
13 the purpose of setting up protected areas
14 in the outer islands of Yap..... 150,000

15 (c) Yap Southern Water System Improvement
16 projects; PROVIDED THAT, such funding is matched
17 by the state of Yap..... 150,000

1 (d) Outer Islands elementary schools
 2 repair and renovations\$ 400,000
 3 (e) Lamotrek Health center/dispensary 150,000

4 ~~(f) As much as is necessary for the~~
 5 ~~purchase of real property in Guam or Honolulu;~~
 6 ~~PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that no funds shall be~~ *veto*
 7 ~~disbursed until the property is identified in~~
 8 ~~the Project Control Document.....~~ *☆* 613,600

9 (g) Lawn Tractor Purchase of Falalop,
 10 Ulithi Airport..... 30,000

11 (h) Renovation/Improvements on Real
 12 Property for Yap in Guam..... 136,400"

13 Section 2. Section 4 of Public Law No. 19-124, as amended by
 14 Public Laws Nos. 19-133, 19-140, 20-05, 20-15, 20-33, 20-48, 20-
 15 63, 20-71, 21-156, 21-195, 21-213, 21-244, 22-25 and 22-62, is
 16 hereby further amended to read as follows:

17 "Section 4. Of the \$11,300,000 appropriated under this
 18 act, \$3,000,000 shall be apportioned for priority
 19 infrastructure projects and other programs in the state
 20 of Pohnpei.

21 state of Pohnpei.....\$ 3,000,000

22 (1) At Large..... 787,500

23 (a) Pohnpei delegation office building -0-

24 (b) Kolonia Town tennis courts upgrade 148,883

25 (c) Kepin Souna, Nett road maintenance. 35,000

1	(d) Nanmwaht-Nanwel, road maintenance..\$	50,000
2	(e) Sand and coral materials	
3	for pavement.....	100,000
4	(f) Parem kep water system improvement	
5	(water tanks, gutters, supplies).....	25,000
6	(g) Parem kep paving roadside improvement	
7	(coral, culverts, equipment, labor).....	25,000
8	(h) Lahkir Marina, Kitti	46,940
9	(i) Community power extensions	25,000
10	(j) Palikir Pah road improvement	50,000
11	(k) Kitti road paving	50,000
12	(l) Madolenihmw road paving	50,000
13	(m) Wone Catholic Church road paving	35,000
14	(n) Pohn Awak, Pahnpe, U road	
15	maintenance.....	10,000
16	(o) Madolenihmw road maintenance	37,181
17	(p) Seinwar road maintenance	20,000
18	(q) Matching fund for Kolonia-China	
19	Friendship Center.....	20,000
20	(r) Likinlong, Lehiak Madolenihmw	
21	bridge/culvert.....	9,385
22	(s) Kotouwar, Lehiak Madolenihmw	
23	bridge/culvert.....	10,000
24	(t) Pohnpei State Court of	
25	Land Tenure vehicle.....	14,947

1	(u) Pohnpei State Court of	
2	Land Tenure (Vault, computers, scanners)...	\$ 7,500
3	(v) Household water tanks purchase ...	17,664
4	(2) Election District No. 1	737,500
5	(a) Totopai road	30,000
6	(b) Road maintenance	50,000
7	(c) Kaselehlia Street sidewalk/drainage	120,000
8	(d) Pohnpei delegation loop	
9	(New road-pave/wall)	70,000
10	(e) Matching fund for	
11	Kolonia-China Friendship Center	60,000
12	(f) Sokehs Island circumferential road	
13	paving/materials/equipment	225,000
14	(g) Roofing, track and field bleachers	30,000
15	(h) Mercedes building supplemental funding	45,000
16	(i) Sekere to Nanpohnmal road improvement	25,000
17	(j) Airport terminal beautification project	20,000
18	(k) Nan Mohs road maintenance	15,000
19	(l) Airport beautification	5,000
20	(m) Heavy equipment/coral materials ..	12,500
21	(n) Sekere gym maintenance	5,000
22	(o) COM-FSM Endowment Fund	25,000
23	(3) Election District No. 2	737,500
24	(a) Pohnlangas Dispensary repair	
25	and improvement	-0-

1	(b) Wone Dispensary repair	
2	and improvement.....\$	-0-
3	(c) Temwen School road paving	30,000
4	(d) Rohi School road paving	40,000
5	(e) Pehleng School road paving	40,000
6	(f) Peilik bridge (Enipein powe)	78,000
7	(g) Nankoaloau bridge overlay (Pehleng)	15,000
8	(h) ESDM secondary road	-0-
9	(i) Mwoakot Pah road improvement	15,000
10	(j) Kitti road cleaning/beautification	15,000
11	(k) Nan pworenais secondary road paving	50,000
12	(l) Nanketipar Bridge (Alohkapw)	-0-
13	(m) Nanmwet (Madolenihmw) erosion	
14	protection/drainage	-0-
15	(n) Ohwa Mission School subsidy	13,920
16	(o) E.D, 2 current & prior obligations	20,000
17	(p) Nankerpene Bridge repair	25,380
18	(q) Access road paving	
19	(Kaun en Wehi, Kitti)	25,000
20	(r) Kepine (Madolenihmw)	
21	power extension	-0-
22	(s) Ipwitik road upgrade/paving	25,000
23	(t) Purchase of coral materials	20,000
24	(u) Tanks/water catchments	10,000
25	(v) Community Outreach	

1	and Advocacy Program.....\$	30,000
2	(w) Nipai, Wone secondary road.....	15,000
3	(x) Nan mand secondary road and	
4	bridge improvement.....	20,000
5	(y) Pahnmeiti secondary road.....	20,000
6	(z) Lukop secondary road.....	5,000
7	(aa) Kitti municipal government inauguration	-0-
8	(ab) Travel needs.....	30,000
9	(ac) Peisou secondary road.....	-0-
10	(ad) Madolenihmw Municipal Court subsidy	10,000
11	(ae) Kitti Municipal Court subsidy....	15,000
12	(af) Pohnalap secondary road paving...	30,000
13	(ag) Kitti water systems improvement..	50,000
14	(ah) Kinakapw road	10,000
15	(ai) Pahnlong Eliolwi road.....	-0-
16	(aj) MMCM Youth Day activities.....	2,700
17	(ak) Pwohk Civic Center.....	20,000
18	(al) Ohwa safety wall.....	15,000
19	(am) Election District No. 2 inspectors/	
20	support services.....	15,500
21	(an) Youth for change.....	-0-
22	(ao) UCCP Summit Implementation.....	10,000
23	(ap) Madolenihm Municipal subsidy.....	17,000
24	(4) Election District No. 3.....	737,500
25	(a) Kepin Souna, Nett road maintenance	35,000

1	(b) Dien, U road paving/equipment ...\$	70,000
2	(c) Pahlap, U road paving	70,000
3	(d) Otohi, U road paving	70,000
4	(e) Nett Solar Street Lights	100,000
5	(f) Road paving (Palipahn Nett)	100,000
6	(g) Parem/Lenger water systems	
7	improvement/purchase of fiberglass water	
8	tanks/catchments	50,000
9	(h) Pingelap Infrastructure and public	
10	projects/current and prior years	
11	obligation/election/inauguration	65,000
12	(i) Mwokilloa Infrastructure and public	
13	projects/current and prior years	
14	obligation/election/inauguration	65,000
15	(j) Kamer-Eirke road improvement	42,500
16	(k) Matching fund for Kolonia-China	
17	Friendship Center	20,000
18	(l) Department of Transportation	
19	Communications and Infrastructure vehicle ...	15,000
20	(m) Lenger and Parem solar freezers ..	35,000"

21 Section 3. Section 6 of Public Law No. 19-124, as amended by
 22 Public Laws Nos. 19-133, 19-140, 20-05, 20-15, 20-33, 20-48, 20-63,
 23 20-156, 21-22, 21-146, 21-195, 21-244 and 22-111, is hereby further
 24 amended to read as follows:

25 "Section 6. Allotment and management of funds and

lapse date. All funds appropriated by this act shall be allotted, managed, administered and accounted for in accordance with applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979. The allottee shall be responsible for ensuring that these funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are used solely for the purpose specified in this act, and that no obligations are incurred in excess of the sum appropriated. The allottee of the funds appropriated under section 2 of this act shall be the Governor of the State of Yap or his designee. The allottee of the funds appropriated under sections 3 and 4 of this act shall be the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or his designee; PROVIDED THAT, the allottee of funds appropriated under subsections 3(1)(a) and 3(1)(b) of this act shall be the Governor of Kosrae State or his designee, the allottee of funds appropriated under subsections 4(1)(c), 4(1)(d), 4(1)(e), 4(1)(g), 4(1)(h), 4(1)(i), 4(1)(j), 4(1)(k), 4(1)(l), 4(1)(m), 4(1)(n), 4(1)(o), 4(2)(f), 4(3)(k), 4(3)(q), 4(3)(s), 4(3)(af), 4(4)(b), 4(4)(d) and 4(4)(f), shall be the Pohnpei Transportation Authority (PTA); the allottee of funds appropriated under subsections 4(1)(a), 4(1)(b), 4(1)(f), 4(1)(p), 4(1)(q), 4(1)(r), 4(1)(s), 4(1)(t), 4(1)(u), 4(1)(v),

4(2)(c), 4(2)(d), 4(2)(e), 4(2)(g), 4(2)(h), 4(2)(i),
 4(2)(j), 4(3)(x), and 4(3)(o) shall be the Secretary of
 the Department of Transportation, Communications and
 Infrastructure or his designee; the allottee of funds
 appropriated under subsections 4(3)(f), 4(3)(i),
 4(3)(w) and 4(3)(aa) of this act shall be the Luhk en
 Moanlap of Kitti, the allottee of funds appropriated
 under subsection 4(3)(ad) of this act shall be the
 Chief Justice of Madolenihmw or his designee, the
 allottee of funds appropriated under subsection
 4(3)(ae) of this act shall be the Chief Justice of
 Kitti or his designee; the allottee of funds
 appropriated under subsection 4(3)(an) of this act
 shall be the Secretary of the Department of Health and
 Social Affairs or his designee. The allottee of the
 funds appropriated under subsections 4(3)(ak) and
 4(3)(ao) of this act shall be the Vice President of the
 Federated States of Micronesia or his designee; the
 allottee of funds appropriated under subsections
 4(3)(al) and 4(3)(ap) of this act shall be the
 Meninkeder Lapalap of Madolenihmw Municipal Government
 or his designee. The allottee of funds appropriated
 under subsections 5(1)(2) and 5(1)(7) of this act shall
 be the Governor of Chuuk State or his designee; the
 allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 5(1)(3)

1 of this act shall be the Mortlock Islands Development
2 Authority (MIDA); the allottee of funds appropriated
3 under subsections 5(1)(1) and 5(1)(4) of this act shall
4 be the Mayor of Weno Municipal Government or his
5 designee; EXCEPT THAT the allottee of funds
6 appropriated under subsection 5(1)(m) of this act shall
7 be the FSM Telecommunication Corporation; the allottee
8 of funds appropriated under subsection 5(1)(5) of this
9 act shall be the Southern Namoneas Development
10 Authority (SNDA); the allottee of funds appropriated
11 under subsection 5(1)(6) of this act shall be the
12 Faichuk Development Authority. The authority of the
13 allottee to obligate funds appropriated by this act
14 shall lapse on September 30, 2024.”

1 Section 4. 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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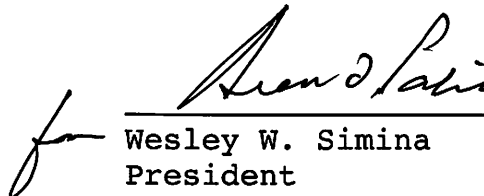
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Wesley W. Simina
President
Federated States of Micronesia

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