

# The President Palikir, Pohnpei Federated States of Micronesia



PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-237
FSM CONGRESS

February 12, 2024

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 into Public Law No. 23-57:

Congressional Act No. 23-46, entitled: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-42, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-60, 22-80, 22-103, 22-141, 23-10 AND 23-40, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 9 AND 12 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND THE CAPITAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOR FISCAL YEAR SEPTEMBER 30, 2022, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Wesley W. Simina

President

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Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court

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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO.

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. 23-46, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-42, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-60, 22-80, 22-103, 22-141, 23-10 AND 23-40, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 9 AND 12 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND THE CAPITAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022, 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. 23-237 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. 22-42, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-60, 22-80, 22-103, 22-141, 23-10 AND 23-40, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 9 AND 12 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND THE CAPITAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: ISAAC V. FIGIR

DATE: JANUARY 15, 2024

REFERRED TO: WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

WITHDRAWN - JANUARY 16, 2024

FIRST READING: JANUARY 16, 2024

SECOND READING: JANUARY 17, 2024

Jessicalynn Reyes Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-23
FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 23-46

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-79)

We hereby certify that on January 17 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.

Esmond B. Moses

Speaker

Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

Jessicalynn Reyes

Chief Clerk

Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

#### AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 22-42, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 22-60, 22-80, 22-103, 22-141, 23-10 and 23-40, by amending sections 9 and 12 thereof, to change the use and allottee of funds previously appropriated to fund the Capital and Human Resources Development of the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, and for other purposes.

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 9 of Public Law No. 22-42, as amended by
- 2 Public Laws Nos. 22-80, 22-141, 23-10 and 23-40, is hereby further
- 3 amended to read as follows:
- 4 "Section 9. Capital and Human Resources Development.
- 5 The sum of \$16,083,505 or so much thereof as may be
- 6 necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of
- 7 the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year
- 8 ending September 30, 2022, for the following capital
- 9 improvements, development programs, and projects and human
- 10 resources development. Of the total amount of funds
- appropriated herein, \$1,542,202 shall be deemed to come from
- funds available under the Supplemental Education Grant and
- 13 \$1,000,000 shall be deemed to come from funds available
- 14 under the Compact Sector Grants. The sum appropriated by
- this section shall be apportioned as follows:
- 16 (1) College of Micronesia FSM.
- 17 (a) College of Micronesia—FSM.....\$ 4,000,000
- 18 (b) FSM Fisheries and Maritime

1	Institute (FMI)\$	919,392
2	(c) College of Micronesia-FSM	
3	SEG Funding	689,948
4	(d) COM-FSM Endowment Fund	500,000
5	(e) COM-FSM Public Health Initiative	250,000
6	(2) Department of Finance and Administration	
7	(a) FSM Warehouse Lease and Maintenance .	-0-
8	(b) PCD Awareness and Training	35,000
9	(c) Tax Reform Commission	-0-
10	(d) CIU - World Bank & ADB Funded Projects	-0-
11	(e) Strengthening financial management	
12	for municipal governments	50,000
13	(3) Department of Resources and Development	
14	(a) R&D SNLC	75,000
15	(b) Enhancing Fisheries: Kosrae	-0-
16	(c) Enhancing Fisheries: Pohnpei	-0-
17	(d) Enhancing Fisheries: Chuuk	-0-
18	(e) Enhancing Fisheries: Yap	-0-
19	(f) R&D Conference	73,000
20	(g) Foreign Investment Data	
21	Management System	69,500
22	(h) Expo 2020 Dubai UAE	-0-
23	(i) Intellectual Property Rights Regime	-0-
24	(j) Development of Coastal	
25	Fisheries Policy for FSM	-0-

1	(k) Development & Operation Framework to	
2	Implement the National Seabed Mining Act\$	-0-
3	(1) Tourism Conference	80,000
4	(m) Tourism Budget & Planning with the States	450,000
5	(n) Tourism Public Awareness	75,000
6	(o) Little Fire Ants (Eradication,	
7	Control, & Prevention)	-0-
8	(p) State Strategic Action Plan for the FSM	-0-
9	(q) Renewable Energy Development Plan	-0-
10	(r) National Social Indicators Survey	-0-
11	(s) Localization of Sustainable	
12	Development Goals in the FSM	-0-
13	(t) FSM Association of Chamber of	
14	Commerce/Support to COC	67,000
15	(u) National Coastal Fisheries	
16	Monitoring Team	-0-
17	(v) Computing Facility Upgrade	-0-
18	(w) Strengthening National/Private Sector	
19	Organizations in the FSM	-0-
20	(4) Department of Transportation, Communications	
21	and Infrastructure	
22	(a) Operation and Dry-Docking of Caroline	
23	Voyager and Navigator 1	,000,000
24	(b) FSM National Government	
25	Computer Network	100,000

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1	(c) AIP Matching Fund\$	-0-
2	(d) States Roads Maintenance & Improvement:	
3	(i) Paving of Nanpil road from Hydro plant	
4	to Liduduhniap road	-0-
5	(ii) Pohnpei State Communities	
6	Road improvement	-0-
7	(iii) Yap roads maintenance and	
8	Improvement and purchasing of	
9	heavy equipment	000
10	(iv) Weno road and for purchase of material	
11	and heavy equipment	000
12	(v)Kosrae state matching for the Kosrae's	
13	Compact Infrastructure Maintenance Fund	-0-
14	(vi) Expended roads maintenance &	
15	improvement projects for Pohnpei State 300,	000
16	(vii) Expended roads maintenance & improvement	
17	projects for Kosrae States	000
18	(e) FSM National Government Facility	
19	Improvements and Renovations 592,	715
20	(f) Outer Island Airport	-0-
21	(g) New Warehouse Building	-0-
22	(h) Airport Needs	-0-
23	(i) Capital Road improvement 300,	000
24	(j) Abyang Community Yapese Traditional	
25	Building Projects80,	000

1	(k) Leng, Gagil women's center renovation and	
2	Improvement project\$	112,000
3	(5) Department of Justice	
4	(a) Anti-Human Trafficking Enforcement,	
5	Campaign, and Investigation	125,000
6	(b) Victim Shelter and Services	100,000
7	(c) Boat Maintenance	150,000
8	(d) Slipping of the FSS Independence	-0-
9	(e) DOJ Satellite Phone Billing	10,000
10	(f) HT Annual Conference	50,000
11	(g) Victim Shelter in Chuuk	-0-
12	(h) Build Anti-Trafficking Shelters	
13	in Pohnpei, Yap, and Kosrae	-0-
14	(i) Purchase four patrol boats	-0-
15	(j) COVID-19 Law Enforcement &	
16	Emergency Response	-0-
17	(k) Law Reform Initiatives	-0-
18	(6) Department of Environment, Climate Change	
19	and Emergency Management	
20	(a) National & State Table Top Exercise	30,000
21	(b) Outer Island Trip Assessment -	
22	Climate Change & Disaster Risk Management	80,000
23	(c) National Joint Platform for	
24	Environment & Risk Resilience	-0-
25	(d) International Day for Disaster Reduction	12,000

(e) Training & Maintenance for Radio	
Communications\$	-0-
(f) Fostering Sustainable Solid Waste	
Management Systems in FSM	-0-
(g) Fourth Disaster Risk Management	
Environment Conference	40,000
(h) Digital Atlas Dev. for the four	
states and outer islands	255,000
(7) National Election Commission Office	
(a) Voter ID Card and New Voter	
Registration Project	50,000
(8) Department of Health and Social Affairs	
(a) MOE-BHWP Med	44,400
(b) Electronic Record System	35,000
(c) Rheumatic Heart Program	240,000
(d) Medical Specialist Team	195,00
(e) National Women Council	-0-
(f) Vector Surveillance & Control Program	50,000
(g) Histopathology Laboratory	-0-
(h) FSM Food Safety Laboratory	-0-
(i) Pathologist	105,000
(j) Food/Water Testing Lab	-0-
(k) Youth in Sports	50,000
(1) Doctors: Foundation Project	-0-
(m) Implementing IHR Core Capacity	
	Communications

1	to Improve Health Cogurity	F0 000
	to Improve Health Security\$	•
2	(n) Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)	-0-
3	(o) Emergency Fund in Immediate Response	
4	to Inland COVID-19 Contamination, PROVIDED THAT	
5	the funds shall be used only for health services	
6	provided in response to COVID-19 infection,	
7	treatment and testing	775,000
8	(p) Psychologist	60,000
9	(q) Obstetric Delivery Tables for the States	&
10	Obstetrics Care Services in the States	22,800
11	(9) Department of Education	
12	(a) NDOE Year 3 Project (SEG)	556,074
13	(b) School Accreditation	431,877
14	(c) Teacher Certification Project	205,273
15	(d) Literacy Intervention for	
16	FSM Leaders of Tomorrow (LIFT)	-0-
17	(e) Printing and Shipment of Science	
18	Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)	75,000
19	(f) Expansion and Development of	
20	SLO Language Arts	232,214
21	(g) CELEP	50,000
22	(h) Assessment & Research to revive NMCT.	140,312
23	(10) <u>NORMA</u>	
24	(a) Commemoration of World Tuna Day 2022	70,000
25	(b) FFC Meetings	-0-

1	(c) Hosting WPCFC, TTC, & SC\$	10,000
2	(d) Internship for students in the	
3	area of fisheries management	5,000
4	(e) T3 Monitoring	150,000
5	(11) Other Capital and Human Resources Development	
6	(a) Capital Improvement Projects	-0-
7	(b) Design and Construction of	
8	Veterans Memorial	-0-
9	(c) Conservation Society	-0-
10	(d) 2020 Constitutional Convention	-0-
11	(e) Enhancing Tourism	-0-
12	(f) Purchase and delivery of an	
13	outer island airplane	-0-
14	(g) Assistance to FSM residents stranded	
15	in Hawaii & Guam due to COVID-19	-0-
16	(h) Assistance to FSM students unable	
17	to return home due to COVID-19	-0-
18	(i) Contribution to the Guam Consulate	
19	for COVID-19 response activities	-0-
20	(j) New Executive Building for DHSA & NDOE	-0-
21	(k) FSM Quarantine Facility in Guam	500,000
22	(1) 4th FSM Constitutional Convention	85,000
23	(m) Litigation expenses for major	
24	crimprosecution in Yap	100,000
25	(n) Telecommunication Tower for	

1	Sapwuafik Outer Island\$ 120,000
2	(o) National Contribution to the
3	Funeral of Late FSM President Nena 20,000
4	(p) Guam Quarantine Facility Arrears 100,000
5	(q) Caroline Air Subsidy for Insurance,
6	Fuel, Personnel and Other Operational Expenses 150,000
7	(r) National Government Outstanding
8	Payment to Energy Power System of
9	Australia (EPSA)
10	Section 2. Section 12 of Public Law No. 22-42, as amended by
11	Public Laws Nos. 22-103, 22-141, 23-10 and 23-40, is hereby further
12	amended to read as follows:
13	"Section 12. Allotment and Management of Funds and Lapse
14	Dates.
15	(1) <u>General provisions</u> .
16	(a) All funds appropriated by this act shall be
17	allotted, managed, administered and accounted for in
18	accordance with applicable law, including, but not limited
19	to, the Financial Management Act of 1979.
20	(b) The allottees shall be responsible for ensuring
21	that these funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary,
22	are used solely for the purposes specified in this act, and
23	that no obligations are incurred in excess of the sums
24	appropriated.
25	(2) Allottees. The allottees of the funds appropriated by

1	this act are as follows:
2	(a) Section 2 - the allottee of these funds shall be
3	the President of the Federated States of Micronesia;
4	(b) Section 3 and section 8(12)(w) - the allottee of
5	these funds shall be the Speaker of the Congress of the
6	Federated States of Micronesia;
7	(c) Section 4 - the allottee of these funds shall be
8	the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Federated
9	States of Micronesia;
10	(d) Section 5 - the allottee of these funds shall be
11	the Public Auditor of the Federated States of Micronesia;
12	(e) Sections 6 through 9 - the allottee of these funds
13	shall be the President of the Federated States of
14	Micronesia; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that for the following
15	subsections of sections 8 through 9 of this act:
16	(i) Sections $8(1)(f)$ and $8(13)(q)$ - the allottee
17	of these funds shall be the Chair of the Joint Committee on
18	Compact Review and Planning;
19	(ii) Section $8(8)(a)$ — the allottee of these funds
20	shall be the Governor of the state of Kosrae;
21	(iii) Section $8(8)(b)$ — the allottee of these funds
22	shall be the Governor of the state of Pohnpei;
23	(iv) Section $8(8)(c)$ - the allottee of these funds
24	shall be the Governor of the state of Chuuk, except the for
25	the \$75,000 for the Weno Municipal Police, whom the allottee

1	shall be the President of the Federated States of
2	Micronesia;
3	(v) Section $8(8)(d)$ - the allottee of these funds
4	shall be the Governor of the state of Yap;
5	(vi) Section 8(11) - the allottee of these funds
6	shall be the Speaker of the Congress of the Federated States
7	of Micronesia;
8	(vii) Section 8(12)(a) - the allottee of these funds
9	shall be the President of the College of Micronesia-FSM;
10	(viii) Section 8(12)(d) through (g) - the allottee of
11	these funds shall be the Chief Justice of the respective
12	State Supreme Court;
13	(ix) Section 8(12)(h) - the allottee of these funds
14	shall be the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the
15	Federated States of Micronesia;
16	(x) Section $9(1)$ - the allottee of these funds
17	shall be the President of the College of Micronesia-FSM;
18	(xi) Section $9(3)(b)$ - the allottee of these funds
19	shall be the Governor of the state of Kosrae;
20	(xii) Section $9(3)(b)$ - the allottee of these funds
21	shall be the Governor of the state of Kosrae;
22	(xiv) Section $9(3)(c)$ - the allottee of these funds
23	shall be the Governor of the state of Pohnpei;
24	(xv) Section $9(3)(d)$ - the allottee of these funds
25	shall be the Governor of the state of Chunk.

1	(xvi) Section $9(3)(e)$ - the allottee of these funds
2	shall be the Governor of the state of Yap;
3	(xvii) Section 9(11)(b) - the allottee of these funds
4	shall be the Speaker of the Congress of the Federated States
5	of Micronesia; and
6	(xviii) (Section 9(11)(d) - the allottee of these
7	funds shall be the President of the Constitutional
8	Convention;
9	(xix) Section $9(8)(0)$ - the allottee of these funds
10	shall be the Secretary of the Department of Health;
11	(xx) Section $9(4)(d)(iv)$ - the allottee of these
12	funds shall be the Mayor of Weno Municipal Government;
13	(xxi) Section $9(4)(j)$ - the allottee of these funds
14	shall be the Governor of Yap State
15	(xxii) Section $9(4)(k)$ — the allottee of these
16	funds shall be the Governor of Yap State.
17	(3) Lapse date. The authority of the allottees to
18	obligate funds appropriated by this act shall lapse as of
19	September 30, 2022; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the funds
20	appropriated under section 9 of this act shall not lapse."
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1	Section	3.	This act shall	L become	law upon	approval by t	he
2	President of	the	Federated Sta	tes of M	icronesia	or upon its	
3	becoming law	wit!	hout such appr	oval.			
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