



TWENTY-THIRD CONGRESS

Federated States of Micronesia



Senator Esmond B. Moses

SPEAKER

SUMMARY

State of Pohnpei | 2 year, ED 3

DOB: April 22, 1974

BA, University of Hawaii – Hilo '96

first elected to 19CFSM (2015 -)

COMMITTEES: Education, Judiciary and Gov't Operations, and
Resources and Development

The Honorable Esmond B. Moses, is the Speaker of the Twenty Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia as elected on May 11, 2023. Moses is the seventh Speaker of the Congress. He is a two-year member from the State of Pohnpei representing Congressional District Three. Moses is a member of the Congressional Standing Committees on Education; Judiciary and Governmental Operations; and Resources and Development.

Speaker Moses joined the Congress in 2015 when he won the special elections as Pohnpei State's two-year representative of Congressional District Three and seated as a member of the Nineteenth Congress and re-elected to maintain his seat in the subsequent Congress bodies. During the reorganization of the following 20th Congress in 2017, Moses was elected Vice Speaker and becomes the eighth person seated to the vice speakership of the FSM Congress. Since 2017 he was re-elected by his colleagues to maintain the role of Vice Speaker until May 2023, when he was elected to the Speakership.

Born on April 22, 1974, Moses began his early education in Saipan and eventually transferred to and graduated from the Pohnpei Adventist High School. Upon graduation, Moses opted to enter the work force as a Retail Service Assistant for the Bernard's Enterprises to save up for his pursuit of higher education. In 1992, Moses enrolled at the University of Hawaii, Hilo Campus, where he lived and worked for the next four years. In 1996, all his hard work was rewarded with a Bachelor's degree in Economics.

Moses returned to Pohnpei after graduation and was quickly snatched up by the Banking Institutes, first by the Bank of Hawaii as Business Banking Officer (1997) and three years later he was whisked away by the Bank of the FSM to join its expanding division on Commercial Loans.

In 2001, he ventured into the political arena as a Delegate to the Nation's Third Constitutional Convention. The following year he was hired as a Special Assistant to the General Manager of the Pohnpei Utilities Corporation and maintained his role for the next ten years.

In 2012, Moses was contracted by the Asian Development Bank to be its official Development Coordination Officer in the FSM. A post he maintained until his election to the top lawmaking body of the Nation in 2015.

Parallel to his professional background is his civic engagement that began in 1999 with the Board of Directors for the Pohnpei Port Authority. Moses eventually attained Chairmanship of the Board from 2001 - 2002. In 2009, he joined the Board of Directors for the FSM Telecommunications Corporation and became its Chairman from 2012 thru 2013.

On May 11, 2023 Moses was elected by his colleagues to head the Legislative Branch of the FSM National Government as the Speaker of the Twenty Third Congress.

Speaker Moses is married to Mrs. Aileen Gallen Moses and they have four children.