

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To propose an amendment to article IX, section 8, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia to provide for 4-year terms for all Members of Congress; and for other purposes.

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

1       Section 1. Proposed amendment. It is hereby proposed that  
2 article IX, section 8, of the Constitution of the Federated  
3 States of Micronesia be amended to read as follows:

4               "Section 8. The Congress consists of one member elected  
5 at large from each state on the basis of state  
6 equality, and additional members elected from  
7 congressional districts in each state apportioned  
8 by population. All ~~M~~members elected ~~on the basis of~~  
9 ~~state equality~~ serve for a 4-year term, ~~and all other~~  
10 ~~members for 2 years~~. Each member has one vote, except  
11 on the final reading of bills. Congressional  
12 elections are held ~~biennially~~ quadrennially as provided  
13 by statute."

14       Section 2. Procedure. Upon this act becoming law, the proposed  
15 constitutional amendment set out in section 1 will become part of  
16 the Constitution after completion of procedures and ratification  
17 as required by Public Law No. 2-51.

18       Section 3. Effective date. This act shall become law upon  
19 approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia  
20 or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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22 Date: 10-20-82 Introduced by:

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