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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To establish a National Sports Commission to encourage sports activities between the States and encourage participation of the Federated States of Micronesia in regional and international sports organizations and events, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Policy and purpose. The participation by the people
2 of the Federated States of Micronesia in sports events and sports
3 associations on an interstate, regional, and international level is a
4 great learning opportunity for the participants. Active involvement in
5 sports activities helps to promote the good health of our people. By
6 increasing the awareness of the people of the Federated States of Micro-
7 nesia of sports organizations and events, participation in these activities
8 and events will be increased. Further, participation in friendly sports
9 competition between residents of our States as well as between represent-
10 atives of our Nation and other nations will help promote fellowship and
11 unity for our Nation and recognition by other nations.

12 Section 2. Creation of Commission and membership. A National
13 Sports Commission (hereinafter the "Commission") shall be established
14 which shall consist of five members (hereinafter commissioners). The
15 Speaker of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, after
16 consultation with the Governor and Speaker of the legislature of each
17 State, shall appoint one commissioner from each State. The Speaker of
18 the Congress shall also appoint one Member of Congress to the Commission
19 after consultation with the Members of Congress. The commissioners shall
20 elect a chairperson by a majority vote.

21 Section 3. Duties of the Commission. The Commission shall do the
22 following:

23 (1) Hire an executive director, possessing such qualifications
24 as may be established by the Commission, to run the day-to-day affairs of
25 the Commission;

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1 (2) Meet quarterly to:

2 (a) Set general policy and guidelines; and

3 (b) Evaluate for approval or disapproval funding proposals
4 submitted for funding for either training for or participation in, or both,
5 interstate, regional, or international sporting events or forums;

6 (3) Act as the official representative of the Federated States
7 of Micronesia for the purposes of the affiliation of the Federated States
8 of Micronesia with, and representation in, international and other amateur
9 athletic bodies, participation in international athletic events, and other
10 related purposes;

11 (4) Establish, in conjunction with State sports associations,
12 and govern a nationwide amateur sports union for the organization and
13 development of athletic competition in the Federated States of Micronesia;

14 (5) Sanction the amateur status of the Federated States of
15 Micronesia athletics;

16 (6) Promote and supervise interstate athletic competition
17 within the Federated States of Micronesia;

18 (7) Promote the construction, and where appropriate, the
19 standardization of sports facilities in the Federated States of Micro-
20 nesia;

21 (8) Maintain the official sports records of the Federated
22 States of Micronesia; and

23 (9) Seek funds from public and private sources for the
24 performance of its duties.

25 Section 4. Duties of the executive director. The executive

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1 director shall do the following:

2 (1) Establish contacts with local, regional, and international
3 sports associations, federations, and committees;

4 (2) Compile and maintain ongoing communication with the groups
5 listed in subsection 1 of this section;

6 (3) Establish and keep a calendar of upcoming sporting events
7 and meetings;

8 (4) Establish a mailing list of persons or organizations
9 interested in receiving this calendar of events and provide copies of
10 the calendar to those on the mailing list;

11 (5) Compile an agenda for the Commission's quarterly meeting
12 including all funding requests received; and

13 (6) Perform such other duties as the commissioners may require
14 pursuant to the provisions of this act.

15 Section 5. Compensation. Members of the Commission, excluding those
16 who are members of a State government or the National Government, shall be
17 compensated at the rate of \$35 per day when actually on the business of
18 the Commission. All members of the Commission shall receive per diem and
19 travel expenses at established Federated States of Micronesia Government
20 rates while on the business of the Commission.

21 Section 6. Effective date. This act shall become law upon approval
22 by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming
23 law without such approval.

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25 Date: 7/16/81

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