SECOND CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 1981
C.B. No. 2/60

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend Section 3 of Public Law No. 1-130, as amended by Public Law No. 2-7, to abolish the requirement that noncitizens leave the Federated States of Micronesia in order to change their immigration status, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 3 of Public Law No. 1-130 is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 3. Entry Permits-Types.

(1) A permit is not required for a person visiting for 30 days or less. For a visit in excess of 30 days a permit may be issued for an additional period not to exceed 60 days.

(2) A visitor's permit for any lawful purpose including performance of necessary services on a short term contractual basis may be issued for a period of specified duration reflecting the time necessary to accomplish the purpose.

(3) An alien worker's permit shall be issued to a non-citizen entering the Federated States of Micronesia upon compliance with all National law relating to private or governmental employment for the period in which the employment of the alien worker is authorized by contract. The permit shall be renewed upon extension or renewal of the alien's lawful employment status.

(4) A foreign investor's entry permit shall be issued for a specified duration and may be renewed upon renewal or extension of such foreign investor's business permit.

(5) A researcher's entry permit shall be issued for research in the fields of endeavor that the President deems in the best interest of and for the well-being of the citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia; PROVIDED,
that the President receive from the researcher's intended
place of stay prior permission for his entry. The President
may attach thereto such conditions or restrictions as he
deems necessary.

(6) A missionary's permit shall be issued to a duly
ordained, licensed and certified minister or clergyman. A
missionary's permit may also be issued to persons whose
activities are substantially connected with religious or
missionary work as determined by the President.

(7) An entry permit shall be issued to a lawful spouse
of a citizen. The permit shall be revoked or shall be denied
upon a finding that the parties are divorced or irreconcilably
separated, or that the citizen-spouse is deceased. The
President or his designee has the authority to grant or
reissue the permit for indefinite duration upon a finding
of hardship.

(8) A dependent's entry permit may be issued to an
unmarried child, under the age of eighteen, or a noncitizen
spouse subject to the conditions in Subsection (7) of this
section.

(9) A spouse or unmarried child under the age of
eighteen of any noncitizen principal listed in this section
except Subsection (8) may be issued an entry permit for the
duration of the principal's entry permit and may be renewed
upon renewal of the principal's entry permit.
(10) Unless otherwise specified, all entry permits are limited to one year maximum period with provision for renewal.

(11) The immigration status of any noncitizen entering or residing in the Federated States of Micronesia may not be changed during his stay in the Federated States of Micronesia except upon written authorization by the President or his designee. For the noncitizen to change status, he shall not be required to leave the jurisdiction of the Federated States of Micronesia. The President may impose conditions for such change of status."

Section 2. Effective date. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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