SIXTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

THIRD REGULAR SESSION, 1990

C. B. No. 6-227

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 30 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 5-122, by amending section 122, as established by Public Law No. 5-122, to appropriate the sum of \$8,000,000 from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1990, for the purpose of further capitalizing the Investment Development Fund; to further amend Public Law No. 5-122, as amended by Public Law No. 6-21, by amending sections 4, 8, 10, 12, and 17, for the purpose of authorizing the Federated Development Authority to make final approval decisions with respect to private-sector reserve applications, for the purpose of placing the additional \$8,000,000 in the private-sector reserve, and for the purpose of authorizing public corporations to apply for private-sector reserve funds; to repeal section 11 of Public Law No. 5-122; and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 122 of title 30 of the Code of the Federated

2 States of Micronesia, as established by Public Law No. 5-122, is

3 hereby amended to read as follows:

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"Section 122. <u>Investment Development Fund</u>.

(1) There is hereby created the Investment Development
Fund (hereinafter, the 'Fund') separate from the General
Fund and other funds.

(2) The sum of \$12,000,000 received from the United States as grant funds pursuant to section 111 of United States Public Law 99-239, or so much thereof as may be necessary, together with any and all investment earnings accrued thereon since the date of receipt by the National Government and the date such sum is transferred to the Fund, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1989, for the purpose of capitalizing the Investment Development Fund. The sum of \$8,000,000 received from the United States as grant funds pursuant to section 111 of United States Public Law 99-239, or so much thereof as may be necessary, together with any and all investment earnings accrued thereon since the date of receipt by the National Government and the date such sum is transferred to the Fund, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1990, for the purpose of

further capitalizing the Investment Development Fund. In addition, all earnings accrued on investment of the Fund, all repayments of principal and interest and penalties on loans made from the Fund, all cash assets recovered on loans made from the Fund, and all fees, charges, and penalties collected in relation to administration of the Fund shall be deposited into the Fund.

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(3) The Fund created by this section shall be allotted, disbursed, managed, administered, and accounted for in accordance with this section, with the 'Agreement Between the Government of the United States and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia Regarding the Investment Development Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia Concluded Pursuant to Section 111(c) of United States Public Law 99-239,' with the Investment Development Act of 1988 and other applicable laws, and with such guidelines, policies, and procedures as may be established by the Federated Development Authority. The Chairman of the Federated Development Authority or his designee shall be the allottee and shall be responsible for ensuring that these funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are used solely for the purpose specified in this act, and that no obligations are incurred in excess of the sums appropriated. The authority of the allottee to obligate funds appropriated by this act shall not lapse.

T	(4) Any unexpended money in the Fund shall not revert
2	to the General Fund or lapse at the end of a fiscal year."
3	Section 2. Section 4 of Public Law No. 5-122 is hereby amended
4	to read as follows:
5	"Section 4. Administration of the Investment Development
6	Fund.
7	(1) The Federated Development Authority shall be
8	responsible for administering the Investment Development
9	Fund subject to the advice and guidance of the Board of
10	Advisors, in accordance with the provisions of this act and
11	other applicable laws, the Investment Development Fund
12	Agreement, and section 122 of title 30 of the Code of the
13	Federated States of Micronesia.
14	(2) The Federated Development Authority shall have
15	the power and authority to do all such things as may be
16	necessary to administer the Investment Development Fund,
17	including, but not limited to, establishing guidelines,
18	policies, and procedures for administration of the
19	Investment Development Fund; establishing general terms and
20	conditions for financing of projects from the Fund,
21	including qualifications for prospective borrowers and
22	maximum and minimum loan amounts; establishing guidelines
23	for applications; establishing application, loan guarantee,
24	and other fees and charges; and determining interest rates,
25	repayment schedules, security requirements, and other

1	specific terms and conditions for financings within the
2	limits established by section 16 of this act; PROVIDED
3	that, prior to establishing such guidelines, policies and
4	procedures, and general terms and conditions, the Federated
5	Development Authority shall afford the Board of Advisors
6	and the Development Bank an adequate opportunity to comment
7	on such matters; PROVIDED FURTHER, however, that no change
8	in guidelines, policies, and procedures, and general terms
9	and conditions, shall apply to any application for
10	financing pending on the date the change is adopted, if the
11	effect of applying it shall adversely affect, in a material
12	way, the approval of the financing sought.
13	(3) The Federated Development Authority shall be
14	responsible for:
15	(a) Approving financing for the projects
16	submitted for funding pursuant to sections 10 and 11 of
17	this act;
18	(b) Approving the actions by the Development
19	Bank taken pursuant to subsection (5) of this section as
20	the Federated Development Authority deems appropriate.
21	(4) In exercising its authority under subsection (2)
22	above, the Federated Development Authority shall request
23	technical assistance from the Development Bank.
24	(5) The Development Bank, pursuant to the direction

of the Federated Development Authority, shall be

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1	responsible for administering all loans, loan guarantees,
2	lease and sale-leaseback arrangements, and other similar
3	financings, including the maintenance of all files on such
4	financings, the monitoring of the progress of projects
5	funded from such financings, collecting any repayments of
6	such financings (including resort to property hypothecated
7	to secure payments due under a financing, or legal action
8	to enforce payment obligations), and, only with specific
9	approval from the Federated Development Authority on a
10	case-by-case basis, renegotiating the terms of such
11	financing. Except as otherwise provided in this act, the
12	authority and responsibilities of the Development Bank,
13	with respect to the administration of the Fund, shall be
14	executed by the President of the Development Bank pursuant
15	to the guidelines, policies, and procedures, and general
16	terms and conditions, prescribed by the Federated
17	Development Authority and this act, and the Board of
18	Directors of the Development Bank shall have no authority
19	or responsibility with respect to the administration of the
20	Fund."
21	Section 3. Section 8 of Public Law No. 5-122 is hereby amended
22	to read as follows:
23	"Section 8. Review and comment.
24	(1) The Board of Advisors, and the Department of
25	Resources and Development of the Federated States of

1	Micronesia, and the Development Bank shall have up to 45
2	days from the time the application is transmitted from the
3	Development Bank upon completion of the review required by
4	section 7 of this act to review and comment upon such
5	application. Any comments shall be submitted to the
6	sponsoring State or National Government, the applicant, and
7	Whichever of the Development Bank of the Federated
8	Development Authority Mas awithority winder this act to
9	approve the financing sought by the applicant.
10	LZI Føt all prøjects to be funded frøn the
11	private/sector reserve of the Fund created pursuant to
12	section 17 of this act, the Development Bank shall have up
13	to 80 days, calculated from the day the application is, or
14	the last day the application should have been, submitted to
15	the Board of Advisors and the Department of Resources and
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17	tetien and comments in which to approve or disapprove the
18	application pursuant to section II of this acti"
19	Section 4. Section 10 of Public Law No. 5-122 is hereby amended
20	to read as follows:
21	"Section 10. Federated Development Authority approval. No
22	financing shall be funded from the State-earmarked
23	subaccounts or the private-sector reserve created pursuant
24	to section 17 of this act without written approval from the
25	Federated Development Authority. In reviewing each
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1	application for financing, the Federated Development
2	Authority shall consider the contents of the application
3	and the comments, if any, of the sponsoring State, the
4	Development Bank, the Board of Advisors and the Department
5	of Resources and Development of the Federated States of
6	Micronesia. If the Federated Development Authority denies
7	the financing sought in an application, it may at the same
8	time approve a lesser or alternative financing, or approve
9	a financing upon condition that the project proposal be
10	amended in some respect. The financing approval shall
11	specify the type of financing approved, the rate of
12	interest, if any, and the length of payment grace periods,
13	if any, and the property to be hypothecated to secure
14	repayment of the financing. In each case, the approval is
15	conditioned upon the recipient's execution of definitive
16	legal documentation of the financing, in form and substance
17	acceptable to the Development Bank."
18	Section 5. Section 11 of Public Law No. 5-122 is hereby
19	repealed in its entirety.
20	Section 6. Section 12 of Public Law No. 5-122 is hereby amended
21	to read as follows:
22	"Section 12. Required permits. Prior to approving any
23	application for financing a project, in whole or in part,
24	from the Investment Development Fund which will involve a
25	financial interest or other participation by a person who

1	is not a citizen of the Federated States of Micronesia or
2	by a partnership, corporation, or other business entity in
3	which any interest is owned by a person who is not a
4	citizen of the Federated States of Micronesia, the
5	Federated Development Authority of Development Bank,
6	whichevet has authority to approve the application, shall
7	ascertain that such person or entity possesses all
8	necessary business licenses and foreign investment permits;
9	PROVIDED that, in appropriate circumstances, the Federated
10	Development Authority of Development Bank, as the case may
11	be% may approve the application with release of financing
12	conditioned on issume issuance of the necessary licenses
13	and permits; PROVIDED FURTHER, that any project financed
14	through the Investment Development Fund must comply with
15	the terms and conditions of all required licenses and
16	permits."
17	Section 7. Section 17 of Public Law No. 5-122 is hereby amended
18	to read as follows:
19	"Section 17. Allocations to the States; Private-sector
20	reserve.
21	(1) With respect to the amounts to be provided
22	pursuant to section 111(b)(1)(i) of United States Public
23	Law 99-239 and article II, paragraphs 2(a) and (b) of the
24	Investment Development Fund Agreement, \$3,000,000 shall be
25	placed in subaccounts within the Fund for each of the

1 States of Pohnpei and Truk, and \$2,000,000 shall be 2 placed in subaccounts within the Fund for each of the 3 States of Kosrae and Yap. The funds in the State-earmarked 4 subaccounts shall be available only to qualified recipients 5 whose application for financing is sponsored by the State 6 from whose earmarked subaccount the financing shall be 7 funded. An additional \$2/000/000 = 10,000,000 shall be 8 placed in a private-sector reserve, which shall be 9 available for financing to qualified recipients which are 10 not State or National Governments, public corporations 11 thereof, or business associations in which a government or 12 public corporation has a financial interest, for projects 13 whose total financing from the Fund shall equal or exceed 14 \$500,000, or when the balance of the private-sector reserve 15 should fall below \$500,000, a lesser amount. The remaining 16 Any additional such amounts provided by the United States 17 shall be retained in the Fund and invested in accordance 18 with section 18 of this act, but shall not be disbursed 19 except when authorized by subsequent legislation. 20 (2) All repayments of principal and interest and 21

penalties on loans made from a State's earmarked subaccount of the Fund and all cash assets recovered on such loans shall be credited to that State's earmarked subaccount. All other repayment of principal and interest and penalties, cash assets recovered, and other fees, charges,

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1	and penalties shall be credited to the private-sector
2	reserve."
3	Section 8. This act shall become law upon approval by the
4	President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming
5	law without such approval.
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