A BILL FOR AN ACT

To establish government vehicle use controls, to authorize the promulgation of regulations thereunder, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Title. This act shall be known and referred to as the "Government Vehicle Use Control Act of 1989."

Section 2. Application. The use of Government-owned vehicles shall be governed by, and subject to, the provisions of this act and any regulations issued hereunder. The term "Government-owned vehicle," as used in this act, means a vehicle owned by any branch, agency, authority, commission, board, program, or other organization of, or legislatively created by, the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Section 3. Eligibility.

(1) Government-owned vehicles shall be used only by employees and officials of the National Government and only for official Government purposes. The word "employee" as used herein, also includes any person who is working for any branch, office, agency, board, commission, or authority on a contract basis.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, no employee or official of the National Government shall drive any Government-owned vehicle without a valid FSM Government driver's license in his possession.

(2) The President, Vice-President, Speaker of the Congress, Members of the Congress during session, Chief Justice and Associate Justices, and the Public Auditor are the only persons who are assigned Government-owned vehicles on a 24-hour basis.

(3) Except as authorized in subsection (2), any use of a Government-owned vehicle after 6 o'clock P.M. and before 7 o'clock
1 A.M. weekdays or at any time on Saturday or Sunday must be approved
2 in writing in advance by the highest officer of the branch, office,
3 agency, board, commission, or authority or his designee. Each such
4 approval can extend for no more than 2 weeks.
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6 Section 4. Driver's licenses; License plates.
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8 (1) No Government-owned vehicle shall be operated without
9 a valid license plate affixed to the rear of the vehicle in the place
10 provided therefore.
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12 (2) No employee or officer of the National Government
13 shall operate, or authorize the operation of, a Government-owned
14 vehicle without a valid Government driver's license duly issued to
15 him and in his possession.
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17 (3) The Division of Security and Investigation of the
18 Attorney General's Office is hereby authorized to issue license
19 plates for FSM Government vehicles. The Division is further
20 authorized to issue FSM Government driver's licenses to eligible
21 applicants.
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23 Section 5. Regulations. The Attorney General, with the
24 approval of the President, shall promulgate and adopt regulations not
25 inconsistent with the provisions of this act, and in accordance with
26 the provisions of chapter 1 of title 17 of the Code of the Federated
27 States of Micronesia, governing the use, care, and safety of
28 Government-owned vehicles.
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30 Section 6. Penalty. Any person who violates any provision of
31 this act shall pay a fine of not more than $25 for each violation in
addition to any appropriate disciplinary action under the Public
Service System Act.

Section 7. 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.

Date: \underline{5/23/89}  
Introduced by: [Signature]

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