
A BILL FOR AN ACT

To propose an amendment to section 17 of Article IX of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia for the purpose of making the designation of the Presiding Officer of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia on a rotational basis amongst the States, and for other purposes.

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

2 Section 1. It is hereby proposed that section 17 of Article
3 IX of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia be
4 amended, to read as follows:

5 Section 17.

6 (a) The Congress shall be the sole judge of the
7 elections and qualifications of its members, may
8 discipline a member, and by a 2/3 vote, may suspend or
9 expel a member.

10 (b) The Congress may determine its own rules of
11 procedure and [~~choose~~] designate a presiding officer
12 from among its members on a rotational basis amongst
13 the States. The Presiding Officer shall not be from
14 the same state as the President of the Federated States
15 of Micronesia.

16 (c) The Congress may compel attendance and testimony
17 of witnesses and the production of documents or other
18 matters before Congress or any of its committees.”

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

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5 Date: 5/14/15

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