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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To propose an amendment to the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia, for the purpose of guaranteeing the representation of women in Congress by creating additional at large seats in Congress reserved for women, as a temporary special measure, and for other purposes, and for other purposes.

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

1           Section 1. Amendment to Article IX Section 8. It is hereby  
2 proposed that section 8 of article IX of the Constitution of the  
3 Federated States of Micronesia be amended to read as follows:  
4           "The Congress consists of one member elected at large  
5           from each state on the basis of state equality, one  
6           female member elected at large from each state on the  
7           basis of state equality, and additional members elected  
8           from congressional districts in each state apportioned by  
9           population. Members elected on the basis of state  
10          equality serve a 4-year term, and female members elected  
11          on the basis of state equality shall also serve a 4-year  
12          term[7]. [~~And~~] [~~a~~]All other members [~~for~~] shall serve a  
13          2-year term [~~years~~]. Each member has one vote except on  
14          the final reading of bills. Female members elected on  
15          the basis of state equality shall have full voting rights  
16          and shall be appointed as committee members and may  
17          participate in discussion and debate. Congressional  
18          elections are held biennially as provided by statute."  
19          Section 2. This provision is a temporary special  
20          measure and shall expire 8 years from the date it goes

1           into effect."

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

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6 Date: 7/3/18

Introduced by: /s/ Esmond B. Moses  
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