



*The President*  
Palikir, Pohnpei  
Federated States of Micronesia

**PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-520**  
**FSM CONGRESS**



December 5, 2024

The Honorable Esmond B. Moses  
Speaker  
Twenty-Third Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Moses:

I am pleased to transmit the following act, which I have signed to become Public Law No. 23-133 :

Congressional Act No. 23-138, entitled: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 9 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-118, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 19-125, 19-131, 19-135, 19-146, 19-160, 20-01, 20-14, 20-23, 20-74, 20-129, 22-152, 23-63 AND 23-125, IN ORDER TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING CAPITAL AND HUAMN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I take this opportunity to thank the 23<sup>rd</sup> FSM Congress for the passage of this act.

Sincerely,

  
Wesley W. Simina  
President

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court

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November 20, 2024

His Excellency Wesley W. Simina  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Simina:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 23-138, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 9 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-118, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 19-125, 19-131, 19-135, 19-146, 19-160, 20-01, 20-14, 20-23, 20-74, 20-129, 22-152, 23-63 AND 23-125, IN ORDER TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING CAPITAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, which was passed by the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Special Session, 2024, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

Jessicalynn Reyes  
Chief Clerk, Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



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TWENTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF THE  
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA  
FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION  
NOVEMBER 12 - 21, 2024

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## An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 9 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 19-118, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 19-125, 19-131, 19-135, 19-146, 19-160, 20-01, 20-14, 20-23, 20-74, 20-129, 22-152, 23-63 AND 23-125, IN ORDER TO CHANGE THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING CAPITAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: JOHNSON A. ASHER

DATE: NOVEMBER 15, 2024

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REFERRED TO: WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE  
WITHDRAWN - NOVEMBER 18, 2024

FIRST READING: NOVEMBER 18, 2024

SECOND READING: NOVEMBER 19, 2024

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Jessicalynn Reyes  
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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ACT NO. 23-138

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-202, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on November 19 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Special Session, 2024, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

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Esmond B. Moses  
Speaker  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

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Jessicalynn Reyes  
Chief Clerk  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

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AN ACT

To further amend section 9 of Public Law No. 19-118, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 19-125, 19-131, 19-135, 19-146, 19-160, 20-01, 20-14, 20-23, 20-74, 20-129, 22-152, 23-63 and 23-125, in order to change the use of funds previously appropriated therein, for the purpose of funding capital and human resources development, and for other purposes.

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

1           Section 1. Section 9 of Public Law No. 19-118, as amended by  
2 Public Laws Nos. 19-125, 19-131, 19-135, 19-146, 19-160, 20-01,  
3 20-14, 20-23, 20-74, 22-152, 23-63 and 23-125, is hereby further  
4 amended to read as follows:

5           "Section 9. Capital and Human Resources Development.

6           The sum of \$40,606,363, which includes \$556,074 in SEG  
7 funding that was previously omitted, or so much thereof  
8 as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the  
9 General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for  
10 the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, for the  
11 following capital improvements, development programs,  
12 and projects and human resources development. Of the  
13 total amount of funds appropriated herein, \$1,802,096  
14 shall be deemed to come from funds available under the  
15 Amended Compact from the Supplemental Education Grant  
16 and \$9,545,500 shall be deemed to come from funds  
17 available under the Amended Compact from Compact Sector

1 Grants. The sum appropriated by this section shall be  
 2 apportioned as follows:

3 (1) College of Micronesia – FSM.

4	(a) College of Micronesia–FSM....	\$ 3,800,000
5	(b) FSM Fisheries and Maritime	
6	Institute (FMI).....	833,915
7	(c) College of Micronesia–FSM SEG	
8	Funding.....	689,948
9	(d) COM–FSM Infrastructure	
10	Improvement.....	8,545,500

11 (2) Department of Finance and Administration

12	(a) FSM Warehouse Lease and	
13	Maintenance to include a rehab warehouse	
14	building for storage.....	100,000
15	(b) PCD Awareness Initiative.....	15,000
16	(c) Staff Upgrade.....	-0-

17 (3) Department of Resources and Development

18	(a) FSM Association of Chamber of	
19	Commerce/Support to COC.....	67,000
20	(b) State Trade Fairs Enhancing	
21	Value Addition.....	-0-
22	(c) R&D SNLC.....	50,000
23	(d) FSM Tourism Development Framework	-0-
24	(e) National Trade Facilitation	
25	Committee.....	-0-

1	(f) Food Security Production..... \$	-0-
2	(g) Secretariat/Hosting Conference,	
3	Equipment/Materials.....	-0-
4	(h) Implement National Tourism	
5	Policy/Tourism Investment Plan.....	-0-
6	(i) Assistance to states for Tourism	
7	Investment Plan Implementation to be divided as	
8	follows:.....	2,000,000
9	(i) Yap State.....	500,000
10	a. Yap Tourism Destination	
11	Project.....	120,000
12	b. Other Tourism Projects in	
13	Accordance with Yap Tourism Plan; PROVIDED THAT,	
14	no funds may be used for travel or operation of	
15	Tourism Office.....	380,000
16	(ii) Kosrae State.....	-0-
17	(iii) Pohnpei State.....	500,000
18	(iv) Chuuk State.....	-0-
19	(j) Phase II Foreign Investment Review	-0-
20	(k) Fortieth Session of the Governing	
21	Council of International Fund for	
22	Agriculture Development.....	8,827
23	(l) National Coastal Fisheries	
24	Monitoring Team: Ongoing Monitoring	
25	Program, Assess Impacts of CEAFM	



1	Program and Climate Change.....	\$	13,736
2	(m) Civil Organization & NGOs.....		-0-
3	(n) Chamber of Commerce: Chuuk State		50,000
4	(o) Chamber of Commerce: Kosrae State		50,000
5	(p) Chamber of Commerce: Pohnpei State		50,000
6	(q) Chamber of Commerce: Yap State..		50,000
7	(4) <u>Department of Transportation,</u>		
8	<u>Communications and Infrastructure</u>		
9	(a) Operation and Dry-Docking of		
10	Caroline Voyager and Navigator.....		1,200,000
11	(b) Capital Improvement Project:		
12	Chuuk- Weno Secondary Road and Heavy		
13	Equipment Purchase.....		300,000
14	(c) Capital Improvement Project:		
15	Kosrae State main road improvement.....		300,000
16	(d) Capital Improvement Project:		
17	Pohnpei: Capital Road Improvement.....		300,000
18	(e) Capital Improvement Project:		
19	Yap – Preparation for the 2018		
20	Micro Games.....		300,000
21	(f) Outer Island Airport.....		1,000,000
22	(g) FSM National Government Computer		
23	Network.....		277,420
24	(h) ICT/World Bank Program Open		
25	Access Entity.....		500,000

1	(i) Interim Payment to Contractor for	
2	Weno, Chuuk Road Project.....	\$ 447,000
3	(j) PMU Operations.....	200,000
4	(k) Concessional loan to support	
5	OAE initial operations and emergency fund	
6	in case of fiber optic cutting.....	500,000
7	(5) <u>Department of Justice</u>	
8	(a) Slipping of FSS Independence....	750,000
9	(b) Satellite Phone and Usage Billings	-0-
10	(c) Patrol Boats Major Maintenance	
11	Project.....	125,000
12	(d) Anti-Human Trafficking Enforcement,	
13	Campaign, and Investigation.....	100,000
14	(6) <u>Office of Environment &amp; Emergency Management</u>	
15	(a) Fostering Sustainable Solid	
16	Waste Management.....	-0-
17	(7) <u>President's Office</u>	
18	(a) FSM Trust Fund.....	14,500,000
19	(b) National Staff Upgrading.....	-0-
20	(c) FSM Economic Develop. Project...	-0-
21	(d) Implementation of ODA Policy....	50,000
22	(e) 2016 Development Partners Meeting	-0-
23	(f) National Airline Task Force.....	50,000
24	(g) Printing of Ballots for	
25	Constitutional Question.....	8,390

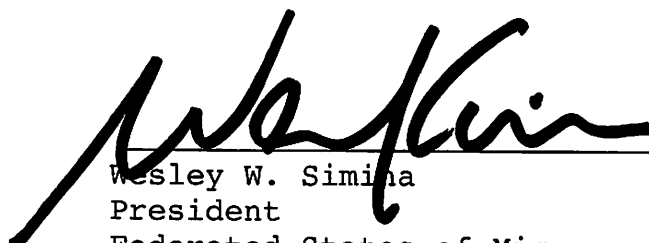
1	(8) <u>National Election</u>	
2	(a) Voter ID Card and New Voter	
3	Registration Project.....	\$ 50,000
4	(9) <u>Department of Health and Social Affairs</u>	
5	(a) Health Services Special	
6	Pathologist.....	58,000
7	(b) Environment: Food & Water Lab	
8	Testing.....	78,000
9	(c) Medical Specialist Team.....	195,000
10	(d) Health data management.....	208,500
11	(e) Chuuk Food Safety Office.....	-0-
12	(f) Doctors: Foundation Project.....	127,500
13	(g) MOE-BHWP Med.....	20,000
14	(10) <u>Department of Education</u>	
15	(a) National Dept. of Education- 3	
16	Initiatives Projects.....	404,792
17	(b) Data collection & reporting	
18	(SEG Initiative).....	556,074
19	(c) Teacher and Principal Academies	
20	(SEG Initiative).....	556,074
21	(d) Aid to COM-FSM Students.....	260,000
22	(11) <u>Insurance Board</u>	
23	(a) Improve and Strengthen the	
24	Country's Insurance Statutory and	
25	Regulatory Framework.....	50,000

1	(b) In-House Consultant/ On Site	
2	Examination and Investigation of Affairs	
3	of Captive Insurance.....	\$ -0-
4	(12) <u>Other Capital and Human Resource Development</u>	
5	(a) FSM Mission Repair and Maintenance	-0-
6	(b) State Judiciaries: Renovation of	
7	Chuuk State Supreme Court.....	75,000
8	(c) Upgrade: FSM internet to fiber	
9	optic.....	-0-
10	(d) Congress Committee Room	
11	renovations.....	105,687
12	(e) NORMA – Hosting of	
13	fisheries meetings.....	80,000
14	(f) MiCare – partial outstanding	
15	arrears owed to the Medical City.....	500,000
16	(g) Chuuk’s COVID-19 test and	
17	treatment centers needs, including Chuuk	
18	Community Health Centers and facility	
19	construction and improvements, and	
20	furniture, fixtures and equipment.....	200,000
21	(h) Chuuk Goodwill Games 2022.....	80,000
22	(i) Chuuk Women’s Council.....	40,000
23	(j) Chuuk EPA.....	80,000
24	(k) Governor’s Office, including	
25	Planning Division and Land Commission.....	150,000

1	(l) 13 <sup>th</sup> Festival of the Pacific Arts & Culture	
2	related expenses (travel, dancers, display	
3	materials) .....	\$ 50,000
4	(m) Kosrae State Delegation to 2024	
5	Microgames .....	156,219
6	(n) Funding to fuel wholesalers for	
7	the purpose of providing a fuel subsidy on	
8	gasoline, diesel and kerosene to Kosrae	
9	residents.....	250,000
10	(o) Kosrae State projects and social programs:	
11	(i) Shipment/Freight costs - importation	
12	of live animals .....	10,000
13	(ii) Low income subsidy.....	33,781"

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

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19 December 5, 2024

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24 Wesley W. Simina  
25 President  
Federated States of Micronesia

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