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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 24-11

SUBJECT: C.B. No. 24-34/J&GO

MAY 29, 2025

The Honorable Esmond B. Moses
Speaker, Twenty-Fourth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
First Special Session, 2025

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations, to which
was referred Congress Bill No. 24-34, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE
X, SECTION 4 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF FEDERATED STATES
OF MICRONESIA, TO CLARIFY THAT ONLY THE AT-LARGE
MEMBER OF CONGRESS IS ELIGIBLE TO BECOME PRESIDENT,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of the bill are expressed in its title.

Congressional Bill No. 24-34 proposes an amendment to the Constitution to clarify that only the member elected at-large is eligible to serve as the President or Vice-President of the Federated States of Micronesia. The current language in the Constitution reads: "a member of Congress for a 4-year term." This amendment seeks to use the language consistent with Article IX Section 8, which states in part: "The Congress consists of one member elected at large from each state on the basis of state equality...."

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RE: PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATION NO. 24-34/J&GO


SUBJECT: FY 2026 BUDGET

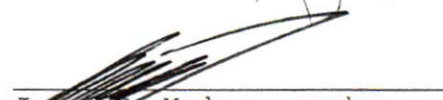
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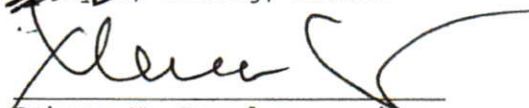
CONCLUSION

Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations has reviewed Congressional Bill No. 24-34. Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.B. No. 24-34, and recommends its passage on First Reading and that it be placed on the Calendar for Second and Final reading in the form attached hereto as C.B. No. 24-34.

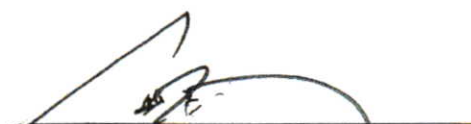
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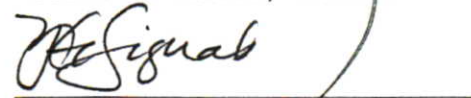

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TWENTY-FOURTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 2025

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To propose an amendment to Article X, Section 4 of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia, to clarify that only an at-large member of Congress is eligible to become President, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. The purpose of the proposed amendment to
2 Article X, Section 4 of the Constitution of the Federated States
3 of Micronesia is to clarify that only an at-large member of
4 Congress is eligible to become President regardless of the years
5 of the term.

6 Section 2. It is hereby proposed that Article IX, Section
7 8 of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia be
8 amended to read as follows:

9 "Section 4. A person is ineligible to become
10 President unless he is a member of Congress [~~for a 4-~~
11 ~~year term~~] elected at-large, a citizen of the
12 Federated States of Micronesia by birth, and a
13 resident of the Federated States of Micronesia for at
14 least 15 years."

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1 Section 3. 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: 5/27/25

Introduced by:


Joseph J. Urusemal

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