



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-379
FSM CONGRESS



July 2, 2024

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

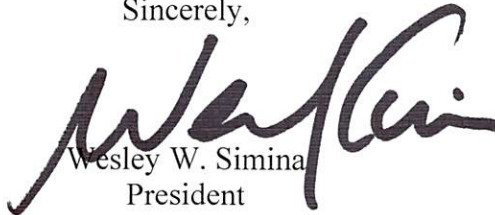
Dear Speaker Moses:

I am transmitting the following act, which I have signed into Public Law No. 23-107 with item veto for the reason stated in this transmittal:

Congressional Act No. 23-114, entitled: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-186, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-189, 23-01, 23-14, 23-47, AND 23-72, BY AMENDING SECTION 3, 4, 5, AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI, AND CHUUK STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I have been advised by the Department of Finance & Administration regarding the insufficiency of funds with regard to sections 4(2)(a), 4(2)(c), 4(2)(h), 4(2)(q), 4(2)(v), 5(1)(d), 5(1)(e), 5(1)(f), 5(1)(g), and 5(1)(h). This leaves me no choice but item veto the said sections. Thank you.

Sincerely,


Wesley W. Simina
President

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court



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June 03, 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. 23-114, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-186, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-189, 23-01, 23-14, 23-47 AND 23-72 BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4, 5 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, which was passed by the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2024, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

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

Enclosures



PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-379
FSM CONGRESS

TWENTY- THIRD CONGRESS OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
FOURTH REGULAR SESSION
MAY 14 – JUNE 2, 2024

An Act

TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-186, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-189, 23-01, 23-14, 23-47 AND 23-72 BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4, 5 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: JOHNSON A. ASHER
DATE: MAY 23, 2024

REFERRED TO: WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE
WITHDRAWN – MAY 27, 2024

FIRST READING: MAY 27, 2024

SECOND READING: MAY 29, 2024

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Jessicalynn Reyes
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 23-379
FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 23-114

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-159, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on May 29 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular 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

TWENTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2024

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-159, C.D.1

AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 22-186, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 22-189, 23-01, 23-14, 23-47 and 23-72 by amending sections 3, 4, 5 and 6 thereof, to change the use and allottee of funds previously appropriated therein, for the purpose of funding public projects and social programs for the people of Kosrae, Pohnpei and Chuuk States, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 3 of Public Law No. 22-186 is hereby
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "Section 3. Of the \$5,600,000 appropriated under this
4 act, \$800,000 shall be apportioned for public projects
5 and social programs for the people of Kosrae State.

6 state of Kosrae..... \$ 800,000

7 (1) At Large 400,000

8 (a) Kosrae State Government subsidy..... 100,000

9 (b) Repatriation of human remains..... 20,000

10 (c) Kosraean Community in Kileen, Texas
11 travel and associated costs) 30,000

12 (d) Kosraean Community in Sacramento,
13 California (travel and associated costs) 30,000

14 (e) One Way Group in Seattle (travel
15 and associated costs) 20,000

16 (f) Tafunsak Municipal Office subsidy 30,000

17 (g) Malem Municipal Office subsidy 20,000

1	(h) Tafeyat, Lelu farm road improvement	\$ 10,000
2	(i) Purchase of boats/outboard motors	20,000
3	(j) Travel needs	35,000
4	(k) Wan Finkol, Utwe drainage improvement	10,000
5	(l) Tafunsak water system clearing ..	45,000
6	(m) Supplemental funding to Kosrae Airport	
7	area/landscaping	20,000
8	(n) Travel/associated cost for a	
9	Basketball team to Missouri	10,000
10	(2) Election District No. 1.....	400,000
11	(a) Contributions to the purchase	
12	of a Quest House for Kosraeans in	
13	Sacramento, California	-0-
14	(b) Kosrae State Court subsidy	50,000
15	(c) Kosrae State Legislature subsidy..	50,000
16	(d) Travel and associated costs - FSM	
17	National Government Inauguration.....	40,000
18	(e) Tuition and other costs for Kosraean	
19	students at SDA School Kosrae.....	20,000
20	(f) Tafunsak beautification project - Airport	
21	area to Tafunsak Elementary school.....	10,000
22	(g) Excavator purchase for Utwe Municipal	
23	Government.....	40,000
24	(h) Excavator purchase for Malem Municipal	
25	Government.....	40,000

1	(i) Excavator purchase for Tafunsak	
2	Municipal Government.....	\$40,000
3	(j) Koarom to Tenwak Channel clearing/	
4	Maintenance.....	10,000
5	(k) Tafunsak Senior Citizens Meeting Hall	
6	construction/renovation/cultural activities	40,000
7	(l) Lelu Senior Citizens Meeting Hall	
8	Renovation/cultural activities	20,000
9	(m) Pohnpei Team (travel expenses/uniforms)	5,000
10	(n) Office of the Governor (travel needs)	35,000"
11	Section 2. Section 4 of Public Law No. 22-186, as amended by	
12	Public Laws Nos. 22-189, 23-01, 23-47 and 23-73, is hereby	
13	further amended to read as follows:	
14	"Section 4. Of the \$5,600,000 appropriated under this	
15	act, \$1,600,000 shall be apportioned for public projects	
16	and social programs for the people of Pohnpei State.	
17	state of Pohnpei.....	\$ 1,600,000
18	(1) At Large.....	400,000
19	(a) Pohnpei Island Community project	
20	and programs.....	189,135
21	(b) Associated costs for purchase, dry	
22	dock, delivery, repair and maintenance and	
23	operations of Lady Pohnpei	
24	and Lady Minto.....	75,000
25	(c) Repair and maintenance, operations of	

1	Lady Minto/Lady Pohnpei	\$	85,865
2	(d) Pohnpei Leadership outreach/travel		50,000
3	(2) Election District No. 1		400,000
4	WS (a) Sokehs Pah access road paving. Veto		21,559
5	(b) COM-FSM students' outstand debts.		15,200
6	WS (c) Softball team ... Veto		12,100
7	(d) Solar icebox		4,800
8	(e) Heavy equipment purchase for Pohnpei		
9	Transportation Authority ..		-0-
10	(f) Sokehs Island road paving.....		-0-
11	(g) Kolonia pot holes repair/road		
12	maintenance.....		15,000
13	WS (h) Pohnrakied road overlay paving. Veto		19,763
14	(i) Boat launching areas.....		30,000
15	(j) Water tanks		15,000
16	(k) Old communication Dolonier		
17	road widening		30,000
18	(l) Pohnpei Utility Corporation		
19	(Division of Water) subsidy		30,000
20	(m) Water tanks and other El Nino related		
21	project/needs for Sapwuahfik		20,000
22	(n) Sapwuahfik transportation/		
23	outboard motors		20,000
24	(o) El Nino related needs and projects		7,000
25	(p) Ninran community house		3,000

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1	WS	(q) Kiodai, Nanpohnmal road paving	Veto	19,148
2		(r) Sekere access road		10,000
3		(s) Pohnpei Utility Corporation subsidy		60,000
4		(t) Sokehs Powe Slipway construction		20,000
5		(u) Solar lights		15,000
6	WS	(v) Administrative support costs	Veto	32,430
7		(3) Election District No. 2.....		400,000
8		(a) Pahn Peinmwomw road.....		20,000
9		(b) Nin Dol road.....		20,000
10		(c) Imwin dol road.....		20,000
11		(d) Kepine to Sapwalap road.		50,000
12		(e) Madolenihmw police vehicle		-0-
13		(f) Nan Pohnmal road (Henly)		5,000
14		(g) Mwudokalap power line		10,000
15		(h) Kitti Municipal Court house.		30,000
16		(i) Woukutohr road improvement		25,000
17		(j) Nanpailong road		20,000
18		(k) Uhmwe road improvement		25,000
19		(l) Madolenihmw roadside cleaning ...		10,000
20		(m) Madolenihmw Constitutional Day ..		10,000
21		(n) Madolenihmw office renovation ...		-0-
22		(o) Etiriik Esiel road		15,000
23		(p) Nankepinmweli road		30,000
24		(q) Sabina Sam road		15,000
25		(r) Areu (Kohler Carl) road paving ..		20,000

1	(s) Akahk Powe road paving	\$ 75,000
2	(4) Election District No. 3.....	400,000
3	(a) Mwokilloa Municipal Government	
4	public projects	35,000
5	(b) Pingelap Municipal Government	
6	Public Projects	35,000
7	(c) Nett District Public Safety	
8	building Renovation	50,000
9	(d) Nett Palipowe culvert and road paving	75,000
10	(e) Nett New Road Construction	25,000
11	(f) Nett Palipah culvert and road paving	50,000
12	(g) Saladak School Gym	100,000
13	(h) Ramirez bridge improvement	10,000
14	(i) Bernardo bridge improvement	10,000
15	(j) Ladore bridge improvement	10,000"

16 Section 3. Section 5 of Public Law No. 22-186, as amended by
 17 Public Laws Nos. 22-189, 23-01, 23-14, 23-47 and 2-72, is hereby
 18 further amended to read as follows:

19 "Section 5. Of the \$5,600,000 appropriated under
 20 this act, \$2,400,000 shall be apportioned for public
 21 projects and social programs for the people of Chuuk
 22 State.

23	state of Chuuk.....	\$ 2,400,000
24	(1) At Large.....	505,000
25	(a) Chuuk-Guam Association Cultural	

1	Center (including land purchase in Guam) .. \$	146,000
2	(b) Contributions to State,	
3	Municipal or Community Activities, Events	
4	and Programs	60,000
5	(c) Land transportation	70,000
6	(d) Fishing projects	72,860
7	(e) Housing renovations	50,000
8	(f) Solar/Generator projects ... <i>veto</i>	16,560
9	(g) Students/Patients/Leaders travel	25,945
10	(h) Administrative support costs .	57,135
11	(i) Office renovation/furniture .	6,500
12	(2) Election District No. 1	360,000
13	(a) Morlock airports construction/	
14	improvement and other related work	20,066
15	(b) Land purchase	80,000
16	(c) Students financial assistance ...	60,000
17	(d) Sewing project	20,000
18	(e) Mortlock schools graduations awards/	
19	incentives	35,459
20	(f) Water tanks purchase	15,000
21	(g) Freight/Charter/POL	-0-
22	(h) Special occasions activities/	
23	Programs	39,475
24	(i) Stevedoring/labor costs for project	
25	materials	-0-

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1	(j) Food relief program	\$ 40,000
2	(k) Municipal land transportations ..	20,000
3	(l) Supplemental payment to	
4	Satawan Gymnasium	15,000
5	(m) Patients and Leadership travel ..	15,000
6	(3) Election District No. 2.	380,000
7	(a) Heavy equipment/Crusher/maintenance	250,000
8	(b) Travel needs	10,000
9	(c) Business start up	20,000
10	(d) Kokumi Goodwill games	10,000
11	(e) Land transportation	30,000
12	(f) Bail out program for all school .	10,000
13	(g) Sewing project	10,000
14	(h) Water tanks purchase	15,000
15	(i) Fishing projects	25,000
16	(4) Election District No. 3.....	400,000
17	(a) Municipal Governments' subsidies	40,000
18	(b) Service related cost for Project	
19	Control Document preparation	10,000
20	(c) Travel needs	15,000
21	(d) Humanatarian assistance	75,000
22	(e) Fishing projects	110,000
23	(f) Renewal of Business Licenses of	
24	Markets on Weno	10,000
25	(g) Housing repair and renovation ...	20,000

1	(h) Students financial assistance .. \$	20,000
2	(i) Medication needs	10,000
3	(j) Meeting halls repair	30,000
4	(k) Travel needs/Medical referrals ..	15,000
5	(l) Contributions to social events,	
6	activities and programs	5,000
7	(m) Housing repair/renovation	25,000
8	(n) Land transportation	10,000
9	(o) SNDA Board meeting allowance	5,000
10	(5) Election District No. 4.....	380,000
11	(a) Fishing projects.....	100,000
12	(b) Municipal Governments' subsidy ..	-0-
13	(c) Students financial assistance	-0-
14	(d) FDA administrative support cost ..	30,000
15	(e) Housing repair/renovation	50,000
16	(f) Food relief program.....	40,000
17	(g) Land transportation	50,000
18	(h) Medivac boat	110,000
19	(6) Election District No. 5.....	375,000
20	(a) Community and Municipal	
21	activities/events/ programs	30,000
22	(b) Low income housing renovation/	
23	Rehabilitation	50,000
24	(c) Fishing projects	40,000
25	(d) Solar street lights	50,000

1	(e) Land transportation.....\$	40,000
2	(f) Solar power system.	50,000
3	(g) Solar freezers	45,000
4	(h) POL/Freight/Charters... ..	55,000
5	(i) Office rental.....	15,000"

6 Section 4. Section 6 of Public Law No. 22-186, as amended by
 7 Public Laws Nos. 22-189, 23-47 and 23-72, is hereby further
 8 amended to read as follows:

9 "Section 6. Allotment and management of funds and lapse
 10 date. All funds appropriated by this act shall be
 11 allotted, managed, administered and accounted for in
 12 accordance with applicable laws, including, but not
 13 limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979. The
 14 allottee shall be responsible for ensuring that these
 15 funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are used
 16 solely for the purpose specified in this act, and that no
 17 obligations are incurred in excess of the sum
 18 appropriated. The allottee of the funds appropriated
 19 under section 2 of this act shall be the Governor of Yap
 20 State or his designee; EXCEPT THAT the allottee of funds
 21 appropriated under section 2(i) of this act shall be the
 22 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or his
 23 designee. The allottee of funds appropriated under
 24 sections 3 and 4 of this act shall be the President of the
 25 Federated States of Micronesia or his designee; EXCEPT

1 THAT, the allottee of funds appropriated under section
 2 3(1) of this act shall be the Governor of Kosrae State or
 3 his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under
 4 section 3(2) of this act shall be the Mayor of Lelu Town
 5 Government or his designee; the allottee of funds
 6 appropriated under subsections 4(2)(a), 4(2)(e), 4(2)(f),
 7 4(2)(g), 4(2)(h), 4(2)(k), 4(2)(q), 4(2)(r), 4(3)(s),
 8 4(3)(b), 4(3)(f), 4(3)(j), 4(3)(k), 4(3)(o), 4(3)(p),
 9 4(3)(r) and 4(3)(s) of this act shall be the Pohnpei
 10 Transportation Authority (PTA); the allottee of funds
 11 appropriated under subsection 4(2)(c), 4(2)(d), 4(2)(i),
 12 4(2)(j) 4(3)(a), 4(3)(c), 4(3)(d), 4(3)(i), 4(2)(t),
 13 4(3)(d) and 4(3)(q) of this act shall be the Secretary of
 14 the Department of Transportation, Communications and
 15 Infrastructure or his designee; the allottee of funds
 16 appropriated under subsection 4(2)(b) of this act shall be
 17 the President of COM-FSM; the allottee of funds
 18 appropriated under subsections 4(2)(m), 4(2)(n), 4(2)(o)
 19 and 4(2)(p) of this act shall be the Mayor of Sapuwahfik
 20 Municipal Government or his designee; the allottee of
 21 funds appropriated under subsections 4(3)(e), 4(3)(l),
 22 4(3)(m) and 4(3)(n) of this act shall be the Meninkeder
 23 Laplap; the allottee of funds appropriated under
 24 subsection 4(3)(h) of this act shall be the Chief Justice
 25 of Kitti Municipal Government, or his designee; the

1 allottee of funds appropriated under subsections 4(2)(1),
2 4(2)(s), and 4(3)(g) of this act shall be the Pohnpei
3 Utility Corporation. The allottee of the funds
4 appropriated under subsections 5(1) and 5(6) of this act
5 shall be the Governor of Chuuk State or his designee; the
6 allottee of the funds appropriated under subsection 5(2)
7 of this act shall be the Mortlocks Island Development
8 Authority (MIDA); the allottee of the funds appropriated
9 under subsection 5(3) of this act shall be the Mayor of
10 Weno Municipal Government or his designee; the allottee
11 of the funds appropriated under subsection 5(4) of this
12 act shall be the Southern Namoneas Development Authority;
13 the allottee of the funds appropriated under subsection
14 5(5) of this act shall be the Faichuk Development
15 Authority. The authority of the allottee to obligate
16 funds appropriated by this act shall lapse on September
17 30, 2025.”

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2 Section 5. 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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July 02, 2024

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Wesley W. Simina
President
Federated States of Micronesia

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