



*The President*  
*Palikir, Pohnpei*  
*Federated States of Micronesia*

**PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 19-596**  
**FSM CONGRESS**

April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

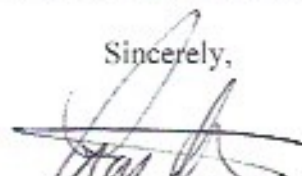
Dear Speaker Simina:

I am transmitting the following Congressional Act, which I have signed to become Public Law No. 19-166:

Congressional Act No. 19-175, entitled: "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 108 OF TITLE 4 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), AS AMENDED, TO INCREASE THE SALARIES OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE AND ASSOCIATE JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I wish to express our appreciation to Congress for the passage of this act. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Peter M. Christian  
President

Enclosures:

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court





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His Excellency Peter M. Christian  
President  
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Dear President Christian:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 19-175, "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 108 OF TITLE 4 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), AS AMENDED, TO INCREASE THE SALARIES OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE AND ASSOCIATE JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Eighth Special Session, 2017, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk, Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

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ACT NO. 19-175

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 19-267)

We hereby certify that on April 4 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Eighth Special Session, 2017, 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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Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

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Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

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AN ACT

To amend section 108 of title 4 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, to increase the salaries of the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the Federated States of Micronesia, and for other purposes.

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

1           Section 1. Section 108 of title 4 of the Code of the  
2 Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, is  
3 hereby further amended to read as follows:

4                   "Section 108. Compensation of the Judiciary.

5                   (1) Salaries. The Chief Justice of the Supreme  
6 Court of the Federated States of Micronesia shall  
7 receive a salary of \$62,000 per annum. The Associate  
8 Justices of the Supreme Court shall receive a salary  
9 of \$52,000 per annum.

10                  (2) Overtime compensation. No Justices of the  
11 Supreme Court shall be entitled to any form of  
12 additional compensation for any work performed in  
13 excess of 40 hours per week.

14                  (3) Health insurance. Each Justice of the Supreme  
15 Court shall be entitled to participate in the  
16 National Government group health insurance program in  
17 effect during his tenure in office, under the same  
18 terms and conditions which apply to employees of the

1 National Public Service System.

2 (4) Housing. Furnished housing and all utilities  
3 shall be provided without cost to each Justice of the  
4 Supreme Court.

5 (5) Vehicle. Each Justice of the Supreme Court  
6 shall be provided with a Government automobile at his  
7 duty station, which shall be used primarily for  
8 official business.

9 (6) Recruitment expenses.

10 (a) Each Justice of the Supreme Court shall be  
11 entitled to whatever recruitment expenses are  
12 available to regular Government prime contract  
13 employees at the time he is confirmed, under the same  
14 terms and conditions which apply to employees of the  
15 National Public Service System.

16 (b) For the purpose of determining the benefits  
17 available pursuant to this subsection, the  
18 dependents, if any, of each Justice shall be  
19 determined in accordance with subsection (9) of this  
20 section.

21 (c) The shipment of household goods and  
22 personal effects for each Justice must commence  
23 within two years of the date of entry on duty of the  
24 Justice, notwithstanding any contrary provisions of  
25 the standard government prime contract.

1           (d) Notwithstanding any contrary provisions of  
2 this section, the household goods and personal  
3 effects of any Justice confirmed after the effective  
4 date of the act from which this section derives, must  
5 be shipped to his duty station within the time limit  
6 applicable to regular Government prime contract  
7 employees at the time he is confirmed.

8           (7) Repatriation expenses.

9           (a) Whenever a Justice of the Supreme Court  
10 shall retire or otherwise terminate his service as a  
11 Justice of the Court, he shall be entitled to  
12 whatever repatriation expenses are available to  
13 regular Government prime contract employees at the  
14 time he terminates his service, under the same terms  
15 and conditions which apply to employees of the  
16 National Public Service System; provided, however,  
17 that for the purpose of determining the benefits  
18 available pursuant to this section, the dependents,  
19 if any, of each Justice shall be determined in  
20 accordance with subsection (9) of this section.

21           (b) The provisions of this subsection shall not  
22 apply to any Justice who terminates his service as a  
23 Justice of the Supreme Court due to impeachment.

24           (8) Life insurance. Each Justice of the Supreme  
25 Court shall be entitled to participate in the

1 National Government group life insurance program in  
2 effect during his tenure in office, under the same  
3 terms and conditions which apply to employees 1 of  
4 the National Public Service System.

5 (9) Dependents. As used in this section, the term  
6 "dependents" is limited to the spouses and children  
7 of Justices; provided, that no child shall be  
8 considered a dependent after he graduates from  
9 undergraduate school, is married, or reaches the age  
10 of twenty-two years, whichever occurs first.

11 (10) Compensation limitations. No Justice of the  
12 Supreme Court shall be entitled to any benefits,  
13 remuneration, salary, or any other form of  
14 compensation except as provided by this section."  
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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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Peter M. Christian  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia

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