
A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend title 9 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), by amending section 405 thereof, for the purpose of changing the duration allowed for any registered voter who wish to vote at a different Congressional election District or Municipality of residency other than his or her State of residency in national elections; and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 405 of title 9 of the Code of the
2 Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), is hereby amended to
3 read as follows:

4 "Section 405. Change of registration.

5 (1) Any Registered Voter who changes his or her
6 Congressional Election District or Municipality of
7 residency, but not his or her State of residency, or
8 who changes his or her name after registration, must
9 file a change of registration request form and
10 supporting documentation, as required by the rules and
11 regulations promulgated pursuant to this title, with
12 the national election commissioner of his or her State.

13 (2) Any Registered Voter who (a) changes his or her
14 State of residency, and (b) wishes to register to vote
15 in National Elections in his or her new State of
16 residency, must file a change of registration request
17 form and supporting documentation, as required by the

1 rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to this
2 title, with the national election commissioner of the
3 new State of residence.

4 (3) Upon receipt of a change of registration form
5 under subsection (1) of this section, the national
6 election commissioner shall determine whether the
7 Registered Voter has submitted sufficient proof of his
8 or her change in name or residency. Upon making this
9 determination, the national election commissioner shall
10 cause the entry on the National Voter Register for that
11 Registered Voter to be amended in order to reflect the
12 change in name or residency.

13 (4) Upon receipt of a change of registration form
14 under subsection (2) of this section, the national
15 election commissioner of the new State of residence shall

16 (a) determine whether the Registered Voter has
17 submitted sufficient proof of his or her change in
18 residency, and

19 (b) verify the voter's registration in the
20 former State of residence with the national election
21 commissioner of the former State of residence.

22 Upon verification of change in residency and of prior
23 registration, the national election commissioner of the
24 new State of residence shall cause the entry on the
25 National Voter Register for that Registered Voter to be

1 amended to reflect the change in residency, and advise
2 the national election commissioner of the former State
3 of residence to remove the Registered Voter from any
4 lists maintained in that State.

5 (5) Upon approving a change in residency or name
6 pursuant to subsections (3) and (4) of this section,
7 the national election commissioner processing the
8 request shall notify the Registered Voter of the
9 approval in writing.

10 (6) Change of registration forms received by the
11 national election commissioners less than [~~30~~] 365 days
12 before a National Election shall not be accepted for
13 that election.

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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18 Date: 9/21/26

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