
A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 50 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by amending section 205 to allow for a lesser duration of passports for certain persons to be established by regulations, by amending section 207 to change the amount of funds in the Passport Revolving Fund, by adding a new section 208 to create a penalty for alteration of passports, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 204 of title 50 of the Code of the
2 Federated States of Micronesia is hereby amended to read as
3 follows:

4 "Section 204. Fees.

5 An application for a passport shall be accompanied by
6 the payment of a fee. An application for renewal of a
7 valid passport shall be accompanied by a fee. The
8 President may by executive order or regulation establish
9 different fees for application or renewal. [~~Such fees
10 shall be uniform for all original applications and for
11 all renewal applications.~~]"

12 Section 2. Section 205 of title 50 of the Code of the
13 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No.
14 10-140, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

15 "Section 205. Duration of Passports.

16 A passport shall be valid for a period of ten years from
17 the date of issuance or renewal[~~—~~], except a shorter
18 period of validity may be established by regulation for

1 minors, senior citizens, and holders of official and
2 diplomatic passports."

3 Section 3. Section 207 of title 50 of the Code of the
4 Federated States of Micronesia is hereby amended to read as
5 follows:

6 "Section 207. Passport Revolving Fund.

7 (1) There is created and established the Passport
8 Revolving Fund, hereinafter referred to as the "Fund,"
9 separate from the General Fund of the Federated States
10 of Micronesia and all other funds.

11 (2) The purpose of the Fund is to establish an ongoing
12 revolving fund to allow appropriations for, and revenues
13 from, the issuance and renewal of passports to be used
14 for passport issuance and renewal.

15 (3) All future appropriations for, and revenues
16 received from, the issuance and renewal of passports
17 shall be deposited in the Fund; provided, that at no
18 time shall the total amount of monies in the Fund exceed
19 [~~\$40,000~~] \$100,000; and provided further, that any
20 revenues received from the issuance and renewal of
21 passports which would cause the total amount of monies
22 in the Fund to exceed [~~\$40,000~~] \$100,000 shall be
23 deposited in the General Fund of the Federated States of
24 Micronesia; except that during the fiscal year ending in
25 September 2005, the total amount of monies in the Fund

1 shall not exceed \$500,000. Any unexpended monies in
2 this Fund shall not revert to the General Fund nor lapse
3 at the end of the fiscal year.

4 (4) The Fund shall be administered by the Chief of the
5 Division of Immigration. The Chief shall, not later
6 than 30 days after the close of each governmental fiscal
7 year, submit to the Attorney General a complete report
8 of the activities and condition of the Fund for the
9 fiscal year just closed. The Attorney General shall,
10 within 30 days of receipt of the report from the Chief,
11 forward the report to the President and the Congress of
12 the Federated States of Micronesia.

13 (5) The Public Auditor shall audit the Fund at such
14 times as the Public Auditor deems appropriate."

15 Section 4. Title 50 of the Code of the Federated States of
16 Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 10-14, 10-35, 10-140,
17 11-21 and 12-65, is hereby further amended by enacting a new
18 section 208 to read as follows:

19 "Section 208. Alteration of passports prohibited.
20 It shall be a violation of this act for any unauthorized
21 person to intentionally alter a passport. The penalty
22 for such alteration may be revocation of the passport
23 and denial of issuance of new passport for such period
24 of time as determined by the President or his designee."

1 Section 5. 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: 1/26/05

Introduced by: /s/ Henry C. Asugar

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