
A BILL FOR AN ACT

To propose an amendment to Section 8 of Article IX and Section 4 of Article X of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia for the purpose of making all members of congress elected for four years, to set a term limit for all members of congress, and to make all members eligible for the Offices of President and Vice President, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. It is hereby proposed that Section 8 of Article
2 IX of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia be
3 amended to read as follows:

4 "Section 8. The congress consists of one member elected
5 at large from each state on the basis of state equality,
6 and additional members elected from congressional
7 districts in each state apportioned by population. All
8 Members [~~elected on the basis of state equality~~] serve
9 for a 4-year term [~~, and all other members for 2 years~~].
10 Each member has one vote, except on the final reading of
11 bills. Congressional elections are held [~~biennially~~] as
12 provided by statute. A member of Congress may not serve
13 more than three consecutive terms."

14 Section 2. It is hereby proposed that Section 4 of Article X
15 of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia shall
16 be amended to read as follows:

17 "Section 4. A person is ineligible to become President
18 unless he is a member of Congress [~~for a 4 year term~~], a

1 citizen of the Federated States of Micronesia by birth,
2 and a resident of the Federated States of Micronesia for
3 at least 15 years."

4 Section 3. This act shall become law upon approval by the
5 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
6 becoming law without such approval.

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8 Date: 7/31/09 Introduced by: /s/ Setiro Paul
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