## SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 2011

C.B. NO. 17-05

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend section 145 of title 52 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, to prohibit payment in lieu of accrued annual and sick leave to employees leaving one National Government position for another, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 145 of title 52 of the Code of the 1 2 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 3 16-15, is hereby further amended to read as follows: 4 "Section 145. Leaves of absence. 5 (1) Leaves of absence with pay may be granted to 6 employees by management officials for reasons of 7 vacation, illness, training, or education, or for such other reason as will be in the best interests of the 8 9 public service. Eligibility for such leaves, the 10 method and rate of earning such eligibility, and the 11 duration of the leave shall be established by 12 regulations.

13 (2) Leave of absence without pay may be granted for
14 such reasons as management officials may deem proper
15 and consistent with the best interests of the public
16 service. Regulations may prescribe the characteristics
17 of such leaves.

18 (3) Paid maternity leave of absence shall be granted

| 1  | to an employee for a period of six consecutive weeks    |
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| 2  | per twelve month period:                                |
| 3  | (a) For purposes of this section, "maternity            |
| 4  | leave" means leave in connection with the birth of a    |
| 5  | child of the employee.                                  |
| 6  | (b) Paid maternity leave shall not be                   |
| 7  | considered to be annual leave or sick leave accrued in  |
| 8  | a calendar year.  |
| 9  | (c) Paid maternity leave shall not accumulate           |
| 10 | for any subsequent use if not used by an employee       |
| 11 | before the end of each calendar year.                   |
| 12 | (d) The employer through its management                 |
| 13 | officials may require the employee to provide a         |
| 14 | doctor's certificate indicating general condition       |
| 15 | during pregnancy and the expected delivery date.        |
| 16 | (4) No payment in lieu of accrued annual or sick        |
| 17 | leave shall be paid to an employee who leaves a         |
| 18 | position with the Government of the Federated States of |
| 19 | Micronesia to commence employment in another National   |
| 20 | Government position, or to an employee who within       |
| 21 | thirty (30) days of leaving National Government         |
| 22 | employment is appointed to another position with the    |
| 23 | National Government. Instead, any accrued leave shall   |
| 24 | be transferred to the new position. This subsection     |
| 25 | shall apply irrespective of whether either position is  |

| 1  | otherwise exempt from the National Public Service           |
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| 2  | System pursuant to section 117 of this title.               |
| 3  | Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the   |
| 4  | President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its |
| 5  | becoming law without such approval.                         |
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