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**AN ACT** to provide, in accordance with Article XII Section 4 paragraph (6), for the holding of a national Referendum among all qualified voters on the question of calling a Constitutional Convention to consider the proposed amendments to the Constitution, attached herewith in Schedule 1, and for related matters.

 Commencement:
 April 18, 2006

 Source:
 P.L. 2006-56

#### §301. Short Title.

This Act may be cited as the Referendum (calling for a Constitutional Convention) Act, 2006.

#### §302. Referendum.

- (1) There shall be conducted throughout the Republic of the Marshall Islands, pursuant to Article XII Section 4 paragraph (6), a national Referendum among all qualified voters on the question of calling a Constitutional Convention to review the proposed amendments to the Constitution contained in Schedule 1 herein.
- (2) The Referendum anticipated under subsection (1) above:
  - (a) shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the *Elections and Referenda Act 1980*;



(b) shall be conducted on a date to be fixed by the Speaker after consultation with the Chief Electoral Officer.

#### §303. Question for the Referendum.

The question for the Referendum is hereby stated as follows:

"Should the Nitijela by Act, call a Constitutional Convention to consider the proposed amendments to the Constitution, contained in Schedule 1 herein?"

#### §304. Result of the Referendum.

- (1) In addition to making the official declaration of the results of the Referendum in accordance with Section 185 of the Elections and Referenda Act, 1980 (2 MIRC Chapter 1), the Chief Electoral Officer shall also transmit the results to the Speaker of the Nitijela as soon as practicable.
- (2) Upon receiving the official results of the referendum from the Chief Electoral Officer, the Speaker shall certify to the members of the Nitijela that he has received the results of the Referendum and advise the members of the results accordingly.

### §305. Expenses for the Referendum.

The cost of holding the referendum shall not exceed the cost of conducting the last general elections, and shall constitute a charge on the General Fund.

### §306. Effective Date

This Act shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution.