

SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 2011

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 17-64, C.D.1,
C.D.2

PC NO. 17-257

PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-54

AN ACT

To amend title 7 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 15-28, by adding a new chapter to define the rights of nationals of the Federated States of Micronesia to enter, reside, and work in the Federated States of Micronesia, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Title 7 of the Code of the Federated States of
2 Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 15-28, is hereby
3 further amended by adding a new chapter 3 entitled "Chapter 3.
4 FSM Nationals."

5 Section 2. Title 7 of the Code of the Federated States of
6 Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 15-28, is hereby
7 further amended by adding a new section 301 to read as follows:

8 "Section 301. Establishment of status of a national
9 of the Federated States of Micronesia.

10 A person born of parents one or both of whom are
11 citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia is a
12 national of the Federated States of Micronesia."

13 Section 3. Title 7 of the Code of the Federated States of
14 Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 15-28, is hereby
15 further amended by adding a new section 302 to read as follows:

16 "Section 302. Rights and obligations.

17 To the extent permitted by the Constitution, noncitizen
18 nationals of the Federated States of Micronesia shall

1 have all the rights of citizens of the Federated States
2 of Micronesia to enter, reside, and work in the
3 Federated States of Micronesia pursuant to this Code,
4 and any obligations associated with these rights. These
5 rights shall be limited to such nationals as individuals
6 and shall not entitle the dependents of such nationals
7 to any additional rights or privileges. Such nationals
8 shall be issued with an identification document upon
9 presenting appropriate proof of their status to the
10 President or his designee, and shall require no
11 additional documentation, permit, or registration not
12 required of citizens of the Federated States of
13 Micronesia to establish or exercise these rights."

14 Section 4. Title 7 of the Code of the Federated States of
15 Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 15-28, is hereby further
16 amended by adding a new section 303 to read as follows:

17 "Section 303. Loss of status.

18 No person may be deprived of his or her status as a
19 national of the Federated States of Micronesia except,
20 if over 18 years of age, by making a voluntary and
21 formal renunciation before an official of the Government
22 of the Federated States of Micronesia."

23 Section 5. Title 7 of the Code of the Federated States of
24 Micronesia, as amended by Public Law No. 15-28, is hereby
25 further amended by adding a new section 304 to read as follows:

1 "Section 304. Issuance of regulations. The President
2 or his designee shall promulgate regulations consistent
3 with the contents and intent of this chapter."

4 Section 6. 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. Sections 301 to 303 of
7 title 7 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as
8 amended, shall become effective on January 1, 2013.

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June 6 _____, 2012

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/s/ Manny Mori _____

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Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia

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