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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To repeal Sections 2.24.010 and 2.24.030 of Chapter 2.24, as amended, of the Mariana Islands District Code and to establish an allowance for the legislative of the Northern Mariana Islands Commonwealth Legislature.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE FIRST NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:

1 Section 1. The purpose of this bill is to provide each Senator and
2 Representative with a reasonable allowance which he may use to defray the
3 necessary expenses which are incidental to the discharge of the duties of
4 his office.

5 Section 2. Sections 2.24.010 and 2.24.030 of Chapter 2.24 as amended
6 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

7 Section 3. There shall be made available to each of the Senators
8 and Representatives an allowance of up to \$8,000.00 per annum to assist
9 him in defraying the expenses relating to the discharge of his duties.

10 Section 4. Each Senator and Representative shall submit to the
11 Treasurer of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands an itemized
12 request detailing his projected expenses in connection with his office,
13 approved by the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of
14 Representatives, as the case may be. Such request may be for the full
15 \$8,000.00 or for a lesser amount. In the case of a Senator's or Representative's
16 requesting a lesser amount, he shall be entitled to make subsequent itemized
17 requests; provided however, that in no case shall a Senator or Representative
18 receive more than \$8,000.00 in any one year. In the event that a legislator
19 dies, resigns, or is removed from his office, he shall be entitled to no further
20 expense allowance, but his successor in office shall be entitled to an expense
21 allowance on a pro rata basis.

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1 Section 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the
2 Governor, or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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5 Date: 1/25/78

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