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ACT NO.: 1-79

## AN ACT

Amending Chapter 20 of Title 21 of the Truk District Code by amending Sections 302 and 304 thereof and adding Section 307 running to Section 316, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Truk District.

Section 1. Amendment. Chapter 20 of Title 21 of the Truk District Code is hereby amended by amending Sections 302 and 304 and adding Section 307 to 316, to read as follows:

"Section 302. Office of the Legislative Counsel. There shall be in the Truk Legislature an office of the Legislative Counsel which shall be under the direct supervision and control of the Legislative Counsel. The Legislature upon recommendation by the Speaker or by resolution, shall nominate a Legislative Counsel to serve the Legislature during and between sessions. Nomination of the Legislative Counsel shall be made without reference to political affiliations and solely on the ground of fitness to perform the duties of the office as follows:

- (1) to act as counsel for and legal advisor to the Legislature, to draft bills, resolutions, amendments, thereto, and render legal services to the committee or any member of the Legislature when requested;
- (2) to undertake such legal research as shall be requested by the Legislature, its committees or members;
- (3) to advise the Legislature from time to time as to needed revision of the laws of Truk State and of the rules of procedures;
- (4) to report to the Legislature as necessary, those laws which have become obsolete, inoperative, or which are in conflict with other laws, resolutions or decisions of the courts and make recommendations in regard thereto;
  - (5) to serve as parliamentarian;
- (6) to provide research, reference services on legislative and administrative problems;
- (7) to secure reports of various offices, departments and administrative departments which affect Truk;

and of the states and other territories of the United States of America; and such other materials, periodicals, or books and will furnish the fullest information practicable upon matters pertaining to current or proposed legislation and to legislative and administrative problems;

- (8) to provide the general cost supervision of the custodian and house keeping needs of the Legislature; and
- (9) to perform other duties as the Speaker may direct.

Section 304. Personnel. All personnel in the offices of Speaker and Legislative Counsel shall be entitled to the benefits of the Truk Public Employment.

Section 307. <u>Legislative Aide</u>. A position for a Legislative Aide is hereby created. The Legislative Aide shall perform all duties and responsibilities as the Legislative Counsel may direct and assign from time to time.

Section 308. Speaker's Secretary. A position for a Speaker's Secretary is hereby created. The Secretary shall perform all duties and responsibilities of a secretary, subject to the direction of the Speaker, including, but not limited to typing, filing, dictations, making appointments, acting as a receptionist, communicating messages, and such other matter as the Speaker may direct.

Section 309. <u>Librarian</u>. A position for a Legislative
Librarian is hereby created. Subject to the direction and
supervision of the Legislative Counsel, the Librarian shall have charge
of and shall manage the Legislative Library. The Librarian shall
have the authority to manage such library in a manner consistent
with applicable standards of library operations, including the
power to make acquisition of books, periodicals, newspaper and
other publications for which funds have been appropriated.

Section 310. <u>Tax Collector</u>. A position for a Tax Collector for the State of Truk is hereby created.

(1) The Tax Collector shall be responsible for collecting and depositing to the State Treasurer all taxes which are collectable and delinquent under tax laws of the State

of Truk. The Tax Collector is authorized to bring civil suit to collect delinquent state taxes along with any penalty that may be due.

- (2) The Tax Collector is authorized to inspect and make copies thereof of all relevant documents and records of businesses operating in the State of Truk that are subject to the State's Tax Laws.
- (3) Any person who refuses to allow the Tax Collector to inspect or make copies of business books, all relevant documents and records under this Section shall be quilty of misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisioned for not more than 6 months, or both.

Section 311. Assistant Treasurer. A position for an Assistant Treasurer is hereby created. The Assistant Treasurer shall perform all duties and responsibilities of a treasurer, including but not limited to issuing of paychecks to all senators and employees of the Truk State Legislature, drawing money from the General Fund as authorized by law, keep clean and accurate records of all uses of money drawn from the General Fund, depositing of all money in a bank received by the Tax Collector, updating the status of all accounts of the Truk State Legislature and do such matters as the State Treasurer or the Speaker may assign from time to time, or as further created by law.

Section 312. Accounting Clerk. A position for an Accounting Clerk is hereby created. The Accounting Clerk shall perform all duties and responsibilities as a clerk, including but not limited to typing, filing, acting as a receptionist, and such other matter as the Assistant Treasurer may direct from time to time. The Accounting Clerk is under the direct supervision of the State Treasurer.

Section 313. Assistant Clerk. A position for an Assistant Clerk is hereby created. The Assistant Clerk shall perform all duties and responsibilities as directed by the Chief Clerk who has direct control and supervision over the Assistant Clerk. The

, Assistant Clerk shall perform the following duties in addition to what the Chief Clerk may assign, typing all letters of the senators regarding business of the Legislature and ensuring that all mails and communications to the senators are put in the senator's boxes in the Chamber.

Section 314. Watchmen. The Speaker is authorized to hire as many watchmen as he deems necessary for the protection of the properties of the Truk State Legislature. A watchman shall perform all duties and responsibilities as directed by the Speaker or by the Administrative Officer.

Section 315. Driver. A position for a driver is hereby created. The driver is responsible for the maintenance of all vehicles belonging to the Legislature and for ensuring that all vehicles are in good and safe operating condition, and for providing transportation for member of the Legislature and the Legislature's staff on official businesses.

Section 316. Janitor. The Speaker is authorized to hire as many janitors as he deems necessary. A janitor shall make sure that all rooms in the Truk State Legislature Building are clean and to this end the janitor shall sweep the floors of all the offices, the committee rooms, the chamber, the library and the toilet rooms. A janitor shall perform all duties and responsibilities as directed by the Speaker or by the Administrative Officer." Section 2. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon approval

by the Governor, or upon its becoming law without such approval.

Signed by

Tadashi C. Wainit, Speaker

Truk State Legislature

Attested to:

Albert

Legislative Chief Clerk

Truk State Legislature

Approved by:

Erhart Aten, Governor

Truk State Government