

CHAPTER 4

Protection of Artifacts

SECTIONS

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(1) No person shall willfully transport any historical artifacts in interstate or foreign commerce without the express written permission of the Governor and two-thirds of the legislature of the State in which such artifacts were found.

(2) No person shall willfully deface, disfigure, disturb, or destroy any historic property within the control and jurisdiction of the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia without the express written permission of the President and the Speaker of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia.

(3) Upon receiving a request for permission to export, deface, disfigure, disturb, or destroy any historic property or artifact with the control and jurisdiction of the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, the President shall consult with the Institute and the State or States affected and secure the approval of both, prior to granting such requests. Within one year of the Act codified in this section becoming law, the Institute, together with the President, shall make all reasonable efforts to recover and return to the State of origin any and all known historical artifacts, documented or otherwise, which were allowed to be exported out of the Federated States of Micronesia in the past.

Source: PL 1-48 § 6; PL 3-76 § 1.

Cross-reference: The statutory provisions on the President and the Executive are found in title 2 of this code. The statutory provisions on the FSM Congress are found in title 3 of this code. The statutory provisions on Environmental Protection are found in title 25 of this code.

§ 402. Penalties.

Any person violating any provision of section 401 of this chapter or the rules and regulations issued pursuant to authority vested by this chapter shall be punished by a fine of no less than \$300 nor more than \$1,000 for each violation.

Source: COM PL 3-34 § 2; COM PL 4-1 § 1; TT Code 1970, 67 TTC 252 (part); TT Code 1980, 67 TTC 252 (part); PL 1-48 § 7.

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