March 16, 2016

The Honorable Tulensa W. Palik
Speaker
Eleventh Kosrae State Legislature
Tofol, Kosrae FM 96944

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Kulo nu sin God ke moul lasr. Paing kom a Honorable Members ke Sroasr Masap kewa.

Wangin pa pusra yok lasr nuka sripa yok lun L.B. 11-77. Oinge nga fulela lusen len 30 la in eis comments nuka, panang oru el putatyang nuke pusren masap su orala kosrae State Law No. 11-55.

"TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 2 OF THE KOSRAE STATE CODE, BY AMENDING SECTION 2.901 THEREOF, TO REQUIRE THE LEGAL COUNSEL OR STAFF ATTORNEY FOR THE KOSRAE STATE COURT TO MEET THE SAME QUALIFICATIONS PRESCRIBED BY LAW FOR THE STATE LAWYERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Certified copy ke masap se inge pa attached nuke letter luk.

Kulo ma lulap.

Lyndon H. Jackson
Governor, State of Kosrae

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February 15, 2016

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Tofol, Kosrae FM 96944

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Respectfully yours,

[Signature]
Andy J. Andrew
Deputy Chief Clerk
Kosrae State Legislature

Enclosures:
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Enclosures:
LEGISLATIVE BILL No. 11-77

ELEVENTH KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE
THIRD REGULAR SESSION
FEBRUARY 8, 2016 – MARCH 12, 2016

A BILL FOR AN ACT

TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 17 OF THE KOSRAE STATE CODE, BY AMENDING SECTION 2.901 THEREOF, TO REQUIRE THE LEGAL COUNSEL OR STAFF ATTORNEY FOR THE KOSRAE STATE COURT TO MEET THE SAME QUALIFICATIONS PRESCRIBED BY LAW FOR STATE LAWYERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY: Senator Rolner L. Joe

DATE:

ACTION BY THE LEGISLATURE

PASSED FIRST READING: February 08, 2016

REFEREEING TO: SCR No. 11-153

PASSED SECOND READING: February 10, 2016

[Signature]
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LEGISLATIVE BILL No. 11-77

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill has passed Second and Final Readings in the Legislature, Third Regular Session, 2016, by two-thirds of the members of the Eleventh Kosrae State Legislature, a quorum is present.

Tulensa W. Palik  
Speaker  
Eleventh Kosrae State Legislature

Andy J. Andrew  
Deputy Chief Clerk  
Kosrae State Legislature
ELEVENTH KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE

THIRD SPECIAL SESSION, OCTOBER 2015

L.B. No. 1'-77

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend Title 2 of the Kosrae State Code, by amending Section 2.901 thereof, to require the Legal Counsel or Staff Attorney for the Kosrae State Court to meet the same qualifications prescribed by law for State Lawyers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE

Section 1. The purpose of this Act is to uniform and ascertain the qualifications of all lawyers or attorneys providing legal services for the branches of Kosrae State Government.

Section 2. Amendment. Section 2.901 of Title 2 of the Kosrae State Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 2.901. State lawyers requirements

(1) As used in this Section, "State Lawyers" means:

(a) The Attorney General and any assistant attorney general;

(b) The Legislative Counsel and any assistant legislative counsel;

(c) The Staff Attorney/Legal Counsel or any assistant legal counsel for Kosrae State Court;

(d) Any State employment position that requires the person holding that position to have a law degree or to be admitted to the practice of law in another jurisdiction.

(2) A State lawyer must:

(a) Be or become admitted to practice before the Kosrae State
Court within 3 months of hiring;

(b) Be or become admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the Federated States of Micronesia within one year of hiring;

and

(c) For purpose of this statute “hiring” means the date upon which a contract employee begins working for compensation.

(d) Any person employed as a State Lawyer who fails to meet the requirements of Subsection (2) within the time limits of that subsection shall be immediately dismissed from the position by the State Lawyer’s Branch Head and may not be reemployed as a lawyer until he meets all requirements.

(e) Any person employed as a State lawyer on the effective date of S.L. No. 7-214 (May 2002) has three months from the effective date to meet the requirements of Section 9.901(2) and one year from the effective date to meet the requirements of Section 2.01(b).

Section 3. Effective Date. This act takes effect upon the approval of the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

PASSED BY THE ELEVENTH KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE ON THE 10TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2016.
ELEVENTH KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE

THIRD SPECIAL SESSION, OCTOBER 2015

L.B. No. 11-77

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Speaker, Eleventh Kosrae State Legislature

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Deputy Chief Clerk

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9  Lyndon H. Jackson  
Governor, Kosrae State

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