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P.L. 5-25 HOUSE BILL NO. 93, HD1, HD2, SD1

AN ACT

To amend Section 101 of Title 53 of the Trust Territory Code to permit all foreign fishing vessels to enter certain specified ports in Micronesia for the purpose of obtaining provisions and supplies including food, fuel, and water and for the purpose of permitting shore leave for crew members, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESTA:

	TO THE CONGRESS OF MICKONESIA:
1	Section 1. Section 101 of Title 53 of the Trust Territory
2	Code is hereby amended to read as follows:
. 3	"Section 101. Ports of entry-Defined.
4	(1) All vessels and aircraft authorized to enter
5	the Trust Territory must enter and obtain clearance from
6	an official port of entry, and no vessel or aircraft
7	shall call at any other port in the Trust Territory
8	without first entering and obtaining clearance from an
9	official port of entry unless the High Commissioner or
10	his designated representative determines that the public
11	interest or an emergency requires the vessel or aircraft
12	to enter another port without first entering and
13	obtaining clearance from an official port of entry, and
14	grants permission to do so. A vessel or aircraft in
15	distress may anchor or land at any port in the Trust
16	Territory but shall immediately thereafter notify the
17	nearest government representative of the Trust Territory
13	Government or local government.
19	The Official ports of entry in the Trust Territory

(a) Mariana Islands District;

(i) Saipan; (aa) Tanapag Harbor,

1	(bb) Kobler and Isley Airstrips;
2	(ii) Tinian; (aa) Tinian Harbor,
3	(bb) Timian Airstrip;
4	(iii) Rota; (aa) Rota Harbor,
5	(bb) Rota Airstrip;
6	(b) Yap District;
7	(i) Yap; (aa) Tomil Harbor, (bb) Yap
8	Island Airstrip;
9	(c) Palau District;
10	(i) Koror; (aa) Malakal Harbor,
11	(bb) Arekabesan Seaplane Ramp, (cc) Airai Airstrip;
12	(d) Truk District;
13	(1) Moen; (aa) Moen Anchorage, (bb) Moen
14	Airstrip;
15	(e) Ponape District;
16	(i) Ponape; (aa) Kolonia Harbor,
17	(bb) Langer Seaplane Ramp, (cc) Kolonia Airstrip;
18	(ii) Kusaie; (aa) Lele Harbor, Kusaie
19	(f) Marshall Islands District;
20	(i) Kwajalein; (aa) Kwajalein Anchorage,
21	(bb) Kwajalein Airstrip, (cc) Ebeye Anchorage;
22	(ii) Majuro; (aa) Darrit Anchorage,
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1	•	vessels shall be granted permission to enter the
2	. •	following ports for the purpose of purchasing supplies
3		and provisions including food, fuel and water and for
4	•	the purpose of granting shore leave to crew members:
5		(a) Mariana Islands District - Tanapag Harbor,
6		Saipan;
7	* •	(b) Palau District - Malakal Harbor, Koror;
8.		(c) Yap District - Tomil Harbor, Yap;
9	•	(d) Truk District - Moen Anchorage, Moen;
10		(e) Ponape District - Ponape Harbor, Ponape;
11		• (f) Marshall Islands District - Darrit
12		Anchorage, Majuro and Jabor Anchorage,
13		Jaluit.
14	·· .	(3) Native varieties of live bait fish may only be
15	•	sold to foreign fishing vessels if such sales are authorized
16		by law of the district affected. The High Commissioner
17		shall prescribe rules and regulations to control the
18		opening of ports to foreign fishing vessels, including
19		regulations for the conservation of native stocks of live
20		bait fish. The High Commissioner may also grant access
21	e e	to additional ports, not designated in this subsection,
22		to foreign fishing vessels subject to approval of the
23		district legislature of the district affected.
24	1 ·	(4) The district fishing authority shall be the
25		exclusive agent for the sale of all supplies and

1	provisions to foreign fishing vessels. Nothing here-
2	in shall be construed to prohibit crew members from
3	purchasing goods and services from local merchants for
4	their personal use. In the sale of provisions and
5	supplies to foreign fishing vessels, the district
6	fishing authority shall purchase such supplies and
7	provisions from local merchants wherever feasible.
8	Section 2. This act shall take effect upon its approval by
9	the High Commissioner, or upon its otherwise becoming law withou
10	such approval.
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17	High Commissioner Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands
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