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**NITIJELA MEMBERS GRATUITY BENEFITS
(AMENDMENT) ACT 2016**

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Gratuity Benefits Act of 1997 in order to retroactive gratuity benefits that were not covered in June 1993.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

§101. Short title.

This Act may be cited as the Nitijela Members Gratuity Benefits (Amendment) Act 2016.

§102. Amendment

(1) Section 1806 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“§1806. Transition

This Chapter shall take effect on the date of certification [23 October 1997] in accordance with Article IV, Section 21 of the Constitution, except that Section 1803 shall be retroactive to June 1993. ~~the certification date of Public Law No.1996-13, February 28, 1996, which repealed the Pension Act.~~

1 **§103. Effective Date**

2 This Act shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance
3 with the relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the
4 Marshall Islands and the Rules of Procedure of the Nitijela.

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BILL SUMMARY

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This Bill proposes to amend the Gratuity Benefits Act of 1997 in order to retroactive gratuity benefits that was not paid out in 1993.

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The late Senator Anjain was a Member of the Nitijela and died on June 10, 1993 whilst in office. He was not paid compensation by the Nitijela under the Pension Act.

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In 1997, the Pension Act was repealed and members of the Nitijela are now covered under Gratuity Benefits of lumpsum of \$25,000 upon death, physical or mental disability. The 1997 law only retroactive to 1996 but does not covered the year the late Senator Anjain had died of which this Bill seeks to cover that year.

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