NITIJELA OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

21ST CONSTITUTIONAL REGULAR SESSION, 2000

An Act

To amend the Social Security Act, 49 MIRC, Chapter 1, Sections 107 and 111, to increase the number of board members from five (5) to seven (7); to provide that two (2) members shall be retirees; to provide that the Chairman shall not be a member of the Cabinet.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS:

Section 1. Short Title.

This Act may be cited as the Social Security (Amendment) Act of 2000.

Section 2. Amendments.

The Social Security Act, 49 MIRC, Chapter 1, Sections 107 and 111 are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 107. Board of Directors.

(1) There shall be a Board of Directors of the Administration.

(2) The Board shall consist of a Chairman and six other members appointed by the Cabinet from among persons who are not members of the Nitijela. The composition of the Board shall be as follows:

(a) One (1) person who is a retiree;

(b) One (1) worker; and

(c) Five (5) other persons.

(3) In the event of the absence or inability to act, or of the suspension under Section 111 (4) of a member of the Board, the Cabinet may appoint a person to act as a member of the Board
during such absence, inability or suspension.

(4) In making appointments to the Board, consideration shall be given to the adequacy of geographical representation and representation of employees and workers from both the public and private sectors."

Section 111. **Vacation of office.**

(1) A member of the Board vacates his office:

(a) on death;

(b) subject to Subsection (2) of this Section, if he submits to the Cabinet his resignation from office in writing; or

(c) if he is removed from office under Subsection (3) of this Section.

(2) A resignation under paragraph (1) (b) of this Section takes effect when it is received by the Cabinet, or on such later date as is agreed between the Cabinet and the member of the Board concerned.

(3) A member of the Board may be removed from office, for cause, by the Cabinet.

(4) The Cabinet may suspend a member of the Board from office pending a decision under Subsection (1) of this Section.

(5) If a vacancy occurs in the office of a member of the Board, the Cabinet may appoint a person to fill the vacancy.

Section 3. **Effective Date.**

This Act shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance with Article IV.
Section 21 of the Constitution.

Certificate

I hereby certify:

(1) that the above Nitijela Bill No. 5 N.O. 2 has been passed by the Nitijela of the Marshall Islands on the 21st day of February, 2000; and

(2) that I am satisfied that Nitijela Bill No. 5 N.O. 2 has been passed in accordance with the Constitution of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of the Nitijela.

I hereby place my signature before the Clerk of the Nitijela this 14th day of March, 2000.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Act shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance with Article IV, Section 21, of the Constitution.

ATTEST:

[Signature]

Litokwa Tomeing, Speaker
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands

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Joe Riklon, Clerk
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands