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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend Sections 4.301, 5.501, 6.1203 of the Kosrae State Code to amend the salaries of select Government officials; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE KOSRAF STATE LEGISLATURE

Section 1. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of this act is to amend the Salaries of the Governor, Lt. Governor, Directors, Members of the Legislature, and Justices.

Section 2. <u>Amendment</u>. Kosrae State Code Sections 4.301, 5.501, 6.1203 are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Chapter 3. Senator's Compensation

Section 4.301. Salary and duty of Senators.

With the exception of the Speaker, and Vice Speaker, and Floor Leader, a Senator receives an annual salary of nineteen thousand nine hundred fiftythirty-one thousanddollars (\$18,050.00 31,000). The Speaker receives an annual salary of nineteen thousand nine hundred fiftythirty-four thousand dollars (\$19,950.00 34,000), and the Vice Speaker receives an annual salary of nineteen thousandthirty-three thousand dollars (\$19,000,0033,000), and the floor leader receives an annual salary of thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000). It is the duty of a Senator to devote at least a portion of each day to Legislature-related matters and to be available daily for the performance of legislative responsibilities. The Legislature may provide by rule for uniform deductions from the salary for absence or other cause.

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Section 5.501. Salary of Governor Lieutenant Governor and Directors. The annual salary of the Governor is twenty-two thousand eight hundredthirty-five thousand dollars (\$22,800.00\$35,000). The annual salary of the Lieutenant Governor is nineteen thousand nine hundred fiftythirty-four thousanddollars (\$19,950.0034,000). Unless otherwise provided by contract for the employment of a professional providing professional services, the annual salary of a director of a department is seventeen thousand one hundredtwenty-seven thousand dollars (\$17,100.00 27,000), however, a department director who possesses a doctoral degree (PhD) shall receive an annual salary of no more than twenty-fivethirty-eightthousanddollars (\$25,000 38,000). A director has no leave benefits. A director makes himself available at all times for the performance of his duties.

Section 6.1203. Compensation and benefits of justices. The annual salary of the Chief Justice is nineteen thousand nine hundred fiftythirty-three thousanddollars (\$19,950.0033,000) The annual salary of an Associate Justice is eighteen thousand fiftythirty thousand dollars (\$18,050.00\$30,000)."

Section 3. <u>Effective Date</u>. This act shall become law upon approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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Introduced by:

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