

AN ACT

To further amend title 53 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 5-120 and 6-111, by adding a new section 810 to provide for an optional lump sum payment of social security contributions to those individuals who reach retirement age without the necessary number of quarters of coverage to become fully insured, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA:

1 Section 1. Title 53 of the Code of the Federated States of Micro-
2 nesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section 810 to read
3 as follows:

4 "Section 810. Optional lump sum payment to individuals not
5 fully insured who reach retirement age. Any individual who
6 reaches retirement age and who is not fully insured for
7 Social Security benefits may, at his or her own option,
8 elect to have a lump sum payment of four percent of his or
9 her total cumulative covered earnings. If an individual
10 elects to accept the lump sum payment, he or she shall lose
11 credit for all quarters of coverage earned up to that point.
12 If that individual returns to work, he or she shall start
13 over again to earn quarters of coverage leading to being
14 currently or fully insured. Only individuals who have
15 resided in the Federated States of Micronesia for at least
16 one year preceding their applications for these benefits, and
17 who have either resided in the Federated States of
18 Micronesia for a period of time of not less than 10 years
19 total, or who were born in the Federated States of
20 Micronesia, are eligible for this optional lump sum payment."


21 Section 2. The amendments made in this act may be referred
22 to as the "Halbert Optional Lump Sum Amendment."



1 Section 3. For the purpose of this section, total Social
2 Security contributions include contributions paid by the individual to
3 the Trust Territory Social Security System.

4 Section 4. This act shall become law upon approval by the
5 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming
6 law without such approval.

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12 President
13 Federated States of Micronesia

