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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend title 53 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by amending section 802, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 2-74 and 12-76, to make changes in the Social Security Act that allow surviving spouses to continue to receive benefit payments after remarriage, and for other purposes.

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

1           Section 4. Section 802 of title 53 of the Code of the  
2 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 2-  
3 74 and 12-76, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

4           "Section 802. Surviving spouse benefits.

5                   (1) Every surviving spouse who:

6                           (a) was married to an individual who died fully  
7 insured; and

8                           (b) files an application;

9 shall be entitled to a surviving spouse insurance  
10 benefit, subject to the earnings test as defined in this  
11 subtitle.

12                   (2) Surviving spouse benefit payments shall be paid  
13 for each month commencing with the month of death of the  
14 fully insured spouse and ending with the month preceding  
15 the month in which the surviving spouse dies [~~or~~  
16 ~~remarries~~].

17                   (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (1)  
18 and (2) above, retroactive payments shall be limited to  
19 the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the month

1           in which the surviving spouse has submitted an  
2           application."

3           Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the  
4 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its  
5 becoming law without such approval.

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7 Date 5/11/07

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