
A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend chapter 10 of title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by inserting new sections 1006B, 1006C, and 1006D, order to set certain terms and conditions governing the importation of food to the Federated States of Micronesia for the protection of public health, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Chapter 10 of title 41 of the Code of the
2 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, is hereby further
3 amended by inserting a new section 1006B to read as follows:

4 "Section 1006B. Expiry date of imported food.
5 Food imported to the Federated States of Micronesia
6 shall have an expiration date of at least one (1) year
7 from the date of entry of food. For the purpose of this
8 requirement, "entry" is counted as the date of entry as
9 required in subsection (2), section 238, title 54 of the
10 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia."

11 Section 2. Chapter 10 of title 41 of the Code of the
12 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, is hereby further
13 amended by inserting a new section 1006C to read as follows:

14 "Section 1006C. Obligation of importer of food.
15 (1) For purposes of this section, the term "importer"
16 refers to the manufacturer, producer, dealer, seller, or
17 person packaging or repackaging food for import to the
18 Federated States of Micronesia.

1 (2) Supplier of food shall have the following
2 obligations:

3 (a) To ensure that food imported to the Federated
4 States of Micronesia is fit for human consumption and is
5 not expired.

6 (b) To ensure that imported food has label of
7 expiry date required in section 1006A.

8 (c) To ensure that imported food has expiration
9 date of at least one (1) year as required in section
10 1006B.

11 (3) Violation of this section constitutes an offense
12 punishable under section 1032 of this chapter."

13 Section 3. Chapter 10 of title 41 of the Code of the
14 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, is hereby further
15 amended by inserting a new section 1006D to read as follows:

16 "Section 1006D. The Division of Customs and Tax shall
17 not release imported food from any port of entry until
18 it is determined that the requirement in section 1006B
19 is satisfied as evidenced by written clearance issued by
20 authority of the Secretary of Health and Social Affairs.
21 As the cost and choice of the importer, the imported
22 food determined to be not in compliance with section
23 1006B shall be either destroyed or returned to its place
24 of origin. Duty paid for imported food that is either
25 destroyed or returned may be reimbursed without

1 interest."

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

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6 Date: 7/12/14

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