

SIXTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 1989

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 6-82, C.D.1

Public Law No. 6 - 39

AN ACT

To require the giving of air passenger safety instructions in both English and the indigenous language of the State of departure aboard larger airplanes providing international air service to the Federated States of Micronesia, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Any person providing regularly scheduled passenger
2 air transportation service between any State of the Federated States
3 of Micronesia and any other nation aboard aircraft capable of
4 transporting more than 25 passengers at one time shall provide,
5 before departure from any State in which passengers are boarded, oral
6 air passenger safety instructions in both the English language and in
7 the indigenous language of the State of departure. The oral
8 instructions may be supplied by recording broadcast throughout the
9 aircraft cabin, provided such recording is clearly audible and
10 intelligible.

11 Section 2. As used in section 1, the term "indigenous language
12 of the State of departure" shall mean the following:

- 13 (1) In the State of Kosrae, the Kosraean language;
14 (2) In the State of Pohnpei, the Pohnpeian language as
15 spoken on Pohnpei proper;
16 (3) In the State of Truk, the Trukese language as spoken
17 on Moen; and
18 (4) In the State of Yap, the Yapese language as spoken on
19 Yap proper.

20 Section 3. The Secretary of the Department of Transportation is
21 authorized to issue implementing regulations which shall provide for
22 the imposition of civil penalties, not to exceed \$5,000 per offense,

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1 for the failure to provide air passenger safety instructions in the
2 required languages. Such regulations shall be issued in accordance
3 with the requirements of chapter 1 of title 17 of the Code of the
4 Federated States of Micronesia.

5 Section 4. This act shall take effect 90 days after becoming
6 law.

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

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