

NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

37TH CONSTITUTIONAL REGULAR SESSION, 2016

BILL NO.: 17

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BILL
FOR AN ACT

to amend Title 3, Chapter 4 of the MIRC, the Nitijela Members Compensation Act of 1980, in order to increase the salaries of the President of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Speaker of the Nitijela of the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS:

Section 1. Short title.

This Act may be cited as the Nitijela Members Compensation (Amendment) Act, 2016.

Section 2. Amendment.

Section 402(a) and (c) of the Principal Act is hereby amended as follows:

§402. Compensation of Nitijela Members.

(1) Nitijela members shall receive as compensation for their services as elected representatives of the people an annual salary, payable in biweekly installments in the same manner as employees of the Public Service, and subject to the usual deductions assessed against wages.

(2) Annual salaries of the members and various officers of the Nitijela shall be as follows:

(a) President \$690,000

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(c) The Speaker \$3590,000

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Section 3. Effective Date.

This Act shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of Procedure of the Nitijela.

Date: 3-18-16

Introduce by:

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BILL SUMMARY

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The Bill proposes to amend Title 3, Chapter 4 of the MIRC, the Nitijela Members Compensation Act of 1980, in order to increase the salaries of the President and Speaker to take into account inflation and comparable salaries of the other heads of the arms of the Government.

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The current salary of the President is \$60,000 per annum while the Speaker is \$35,000 per annum. Recently, the Nitijela passed the salary increment for the Justices of the High Court to \$90,000 per annum. The Bill seeks to standardize the salary positioning of the three different arms of the government equally.

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