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CUSTOMARY LAW (STANDARD FORMULA FOR COPRA PROCEEDS) ACT 2023

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to declare as matter of customary law, a Standard Formula for the share of Copra Proceeds to landowners (Iroij and Alab)

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

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This Act may be cited as the Customary Law (Standard Formula for Copra Proceeds) Act 2023.

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§102. Declaration of customary law.

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Sections 3, 4, and 5 of this Act are declarations of the customary law made pursuant to Article X, Section 2 of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

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§103. Standard Formula for sharing of copra proceeds.

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There is hereby established as a matter of customary law, a Standard Formula for the sharing of copra proceeds between the Iroij and the Alab title holders as follows:

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(a) Irojlaplap/Iroij 0.01 per pound (lb);

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(b) Alab 0.01 per pound (lb).

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§104. 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.

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BILL SUMMARY

This Bill proposes to declare as matter of customary law, a Standard Formula for the share of copra proceeds between the Iroijlaplap/Iroij and the Alab who are title holders of the land which copra is cultivated and produced.

The current share of copra proceeds for the Iroij and alab is 0.003 per pound (lb). This formula however not been observed by copra makers. The Bill therefore proposed to have a standard formula declare as matter of customary law of which copra maker must follow.

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