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A HOUSE BILL FOR AN ACT

To appropriate the sum of \$2,000,000 from the General Fund of the State for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026 to make payments due and owed to certain municipalities that loaned funds to Chuuk State for the repairs and renovations of the Chuuk State International Airport, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Chuuk State Legislature:

1           **Section 1. Appropriation.** The sum of \$2,000,000.00 or so much thereof as may be  
2 necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the State for the fiscal year ending  
3 September 30, 2026 for the purpose of retiring payments of Chuuk State Government's debt  
4 due and owing to certain municipalities that loaned funds to the Chuuk State Government  
5 which were needed in the past to repair and renovate the Chuuk State International Airport,  
6 plus interest, as decided by the FSM Supreme Court. The \$2,000,000.00 shall be allocated as  
7 follows:

8           (1) \$2,000,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be used to pay to the  
9 municipality judgment holders that are parties in Fefen Municipality et. al, v.  
10 Elimo, Civ. No. 2017-1022; Piherarh Municipality v. Elimo, Civ. 2016-1011;  
11 Nama Municipality et. al.,v. Elimo, Civ. No. 2014-1011; and Eot Municipality  
12 et.al.v. Elimo, Civ. No. 2012-1024.

13           **Section 2.** The sum appropriated in Section 1, shall be allotted to the Debt Relief Task  
14 Force, who shall be responsible to the Legislature for ensuring that these funds are managed  
15 and used only for the purposes specified in Section 1, and in accordance with the State  
16 Financial Management Act, and that no obligations are incurred in excess of the sum  
17 appropriated. The sum appropriated herein shall remain available until fully expended.

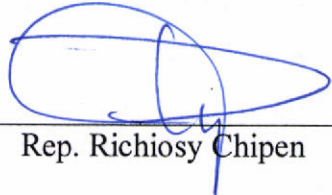
18           **Section 3. Fund Status Report.** The allottee shall submit a report to the Legislature,  
19 which shall:

20           (1) Provide for the full disclosure of the obligations incurred against the sum  
21 appropriated by Section 1, and indicate the Status of the funds as of June 30, 2026;  
22 and

1 (2) A supplemental report covering the actual use and obligation of the funds shall be  
2 submitted to the Legislature, or an appropriate committee thereof, within 20 days  
3 after the sum has been fully expended.

4 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Act shall take effect upon approval by the Governor,  
5 or upon its becoming law without such approval.

Date: 03-02-2024

Introduced by: 

Rep. Richiosy Chipen