

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. CC-SCR-04-11

DATE: June 9, 2022

RE: Committee Proposal No. 4-03

The Honorable Redley Killion
President
Fourth Constitutional Convention of the
Federated States of Micronesia
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Mr. President:

Your Committee on Style and Arrangement to which was referred Committee Proposal No. 4-03, entitled:

ARTICLE IX

Section 2. The following powers are expressly delegated to Congress: . . .

(q) to override a Presidential veto by not less than a ~~a~~^{3/4} 2/3 vote of all the members elected from congressional districts in each state followed by a 3/4 vote of all the members elected at large state delegations, each delegation casting one vote; and

begs leave to report as follows:

Pursuant to Rule 20.(e) and Rule 51, your Committee on Style and Arrangement reviewed Committee Proposal 4-03 for “in accuracies, repetition, inconsistencies [and] poor drafting.” Your Committee unanimously found that Committee Proposal 4-03 is consistent with the other provisions of the Constitution and is well drafted.

In its discussion, your Committee discussed how the Committee Proposal 4-03 would interact with Article IX, Section 8 of the FSM Constitution. Your Committee determined that the use of fractions in Committee Proposal 4-03 was consistent with Article IX, Section 8 and would be easy to apply if the number of members of Congress changes (either increasing or decreasing in number), because the fraction provides a simple mathematical equation. Your Committee also determined that the 4th sentence of Article IX, Section 8, which provides that “[e]ach member has one vote, exception on the final reading of bills,” when read in conjunction with Committee

Proposal 4-03 provides each member of Congress has one vote on a veto override vote. Your Committee concluded the Committee Proposal 4-03 and Article IX, Section 8 are consistent.

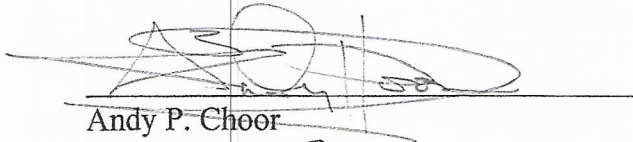
For the reasons stated herein, your Committee on Style and Arrangement recommends adoption of Committee Proposal 4-03 as written.

Respectfully submitted,



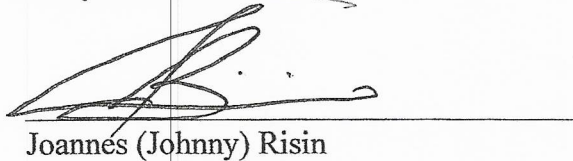
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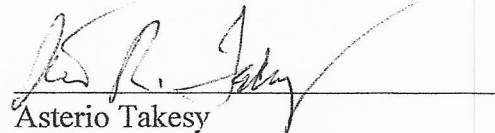


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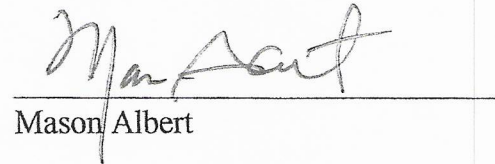


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Committee Proposal No. 04-03
Committee on Government Structure and Function
Standing Committee Report No. 04-03

Relating to the votes required to override a Presidential veto.

RESOLVED, that the following be agreed upon as an amendment to the Constitution:

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Offered by: Committee on Style and Arrangement