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THIRD OLBIIL ERA KELULAU

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Seventh Regular Session, July 1990 (Intro as SB 3-227, SD2, HD1)

AN ACT

Mandating the establishment of a task force to set guidelines for the development of a National Master Plan for Education and to select and contract the needed expertise to accomplish the plan, and for other purposes.

THE PEOPLE OF PALAU REPRESENTED IN THE OLBIIL ERA KELULAU DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Legislative Findings.

(1) The people of Palau have inherited an educational system which has evolved to its present size and nature over four decades of United States administration. Nonetheless, it is the people of Palau who must now take responsibility for deciding the course our educational system will take and to implement that decision. The decision must be based upon determinations as to what kind of education our people need as well as what level and type of education this nation can afford. The Olbiil Era Kelulau hereby finds and declares that the existing Five-Year Education Plan developed by the Ministry of Social Services inadequately addresses these issues and is not providing a workable framework to meet the educational needs of the Republic.

(2) The people of Palau deserve and should expect to have a comprehensive plan for education which systematically addresses the national needs of education and training for the Republic. This nation needs a master plan that will set missions and goals for the education of the people of Palau. The Republic has not defined national policies on education that dictate certain guidelines for the operating systems of education, public and private, to follow. This lack of both purpose and direction is the leading cause for the benign state of educational affairs in the Republic.

Section 2. Task force established. There is established a Task Force on the National Education Master Plan to set guidelines for proposals to develop a comprehensive Ten-Year National Master Plan for Education for the Republic and to review and select among proposals received from a technical experts to conduct the necessary studies and develop the plan. The Task Force shall consist of nine persons to be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Task Force shall elect a Chairperson at its first meeting. Six members shall constitute a quorum. Members shall serve without compensation except that any member who is also an employee of the national government shall be placed on administrative leave while on the business of the Task Force.

Section 3. Duties.