

# Palau Legal

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### RPPL No. 2-3

SECOND OLBIIL ERA KELULAU RPPL NO. 2-3

Third Regular Session, July 1985 (Intro. as HB No. 2-0068-3  
HD2)

AN ACT

Relating to the revision, consolidation, compilation and codification of the general and permanent laws relating to and in force in the Republic of Palau, and to enact the "Republic of Palau National Code," and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Statement of intent. This Act is intended to effect a codification of the general and permanent national laws relating to and in force in the Republic of Palau as included in the titles of the attached and incorporated manuscript, and is not intended to effect any substantive changes to the law currently applicable in the Republic.

Section 2. Designation of Code. The attached manuscript incorporated by reference herein, and is hereby designated as the "Republic of Palau National Code." The attached manuscript contains the national laws of the Republic of Palau, the national and state constitutions, either applicable introductory, prefatory and resource materials, cross-reference tables and an index. This Palau National code is prepared by the Republic of Palau National Code Commission, under the authority of Republic of Palau Public Law No. 1-34 (RPPL No. 1-34).

Section 3. Titles adopted as positive law.

(1) All laws included in the attached and incorporated manuscript making up the titles of the Palau National Code are hereby readopted and reenacted, effective January 1, 1986, as positive law of the Republic of Palau in the form appearing in the manuscript. All bracketed material in the text of the titles of the manuscript designate material that is deleted,

all underlined material in the titles of the manuscript is designate material that is added. The circumflex symbols throughout the attached manuscript designate section signs and the blank underline symbols in the source sections designate paragraph signs.

(2) All enacted law which is readopted and reenacted pursuant to subsection (1) of this section is hereby repealed in its prior term.

(3) In case of any inconsistency arising through omission, or otherwise, between the provisions of any section of this Code and the corresponding part of any general and permanent law previously enacted, substantial weight shall be given to those enactments in interpreting the law.

(4) Copies of the Palau National Code printed under the authority of the Palau National Code Commission shall be legal evidence of the original Code.

Section 4. Palau National Code; organization of Code.

The Palau National Code shall be organized as follows:

I. CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF PALAU

II. GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY

United Nations Charter

Trusteeship Agreement for the Former Japanese Mandated Islands

Joint Resolution of the United States Congress Selected Statutes of the United States

Executive Orders of the President of the

United States

Orders of the United States Secretary of the

Interior

III. THE REPUBLIC OF PALAU NATIONAL CODE

Title 1 General Provisions

Title 2 The Executive

Title 3 The Olbiil Era Kelulau

Title 4 The Judiciary

Title 5 State Governments

Title 6 Administrative Law

Title 7 Admiralty and Maritime

Title 8 Aeronautics

Title 9 Agriculture

Title 10 [Reserved]

Title 11 Business and Business Regulation

Title 12 Business Associations

Title 13 Citizenship and Immigration

Title 14 Civil Procedure

Title 15 Communications

Title 16 [Reserved]

Title 17 Crimes

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Title 24 Environmental Protection

Title 25 Estates and Trusts

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Title 28 Foreign Relations and Trade

Title 29 [Reserved]

Title 30 Labor

Title 31 Land Planning

Title 32 Postal Service

Title 33 Public Employment

Title 34 Public Health, Safety and Welfare

Title 35 Public Lands

Title 36 Public Planning and Development