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FIRST OLBIIL ERA KELULAU

Third Regular Session, July, 1981 RPPL. NO. 1-21
(Introduced as H. B. No.
1-0074-3, HD1, HD2, SD1)

AN ACT

To establish the salary schedules for members of the Judiciary and authorize to be appropriated \$320,000.00 for the Judiciary System 1982 salaries, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Short title; legislative findings and purposes.

(a) This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "National Judiciary Pay and Benefit Act."

(b) The Congress hereby finds and declares the public policy of the nation to be, as follows:

(1) The establishment and operation of a competent and independent court system requires that highly qualified judges be attracted to and placed on the bench of the respective courts.

[sic](b) The Republic must create conditions that will attract the best qualified judges and the rate of pay and supplemental benefits provided will contribute to that goal.

Section 2. Salaries and benefits established.

(a) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Palau shall receive an annual salary, inclusive of all bene-fits, of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) to be paid in bi-weekly installments during the term in which such person occupies the office.

(b) Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Palau shall receive an annual salary, inclusive of all benefits, of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00). Should an Associate Justice serve as Presiding Judge of the National Court, his or her annual salary shall be thirty-seven thousand dollars (\$37,000.00) inclusive of benefits. Salaries

shall be paid in bi-weekly installments during the term in which such person occupies the office.

(c) The Presiding Judge of the National Court of the Republic of Palau, should such person not be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court as well, shall receive an annual salary of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00).

(d) An Associate Judge of the National Court, should one be needed, shall receive an annual salary, inclusive of benefits, of twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000.00).

(e) Judges of the Court of Common Pleas shall receive an annual salary, inclusive of benefits, of not