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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend the Kosrae State code by inserting a new subsection (4) under Section 7.1306 of the Kosrae State code to add extra powers and duties for the Housing & Rural Development Authority and to renumber duplicated numbering under 7.1306 ; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE

1           Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this act is to amend the Kosrae State code by  
 2 inserting a new subsection (4) to Title 7, Section 7.1306 of the Kosrae State code to  
 3 include lending program to businesses to improve economic conditions and create jobs in  
 4 rural communities.

5           Section 2. Amendment. Title 7, Chapter 13, Section 7.1306 of the Kosrae State  
 6 Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

7           “Section 7.1306. To establish lending program to businesses to improve economic  
 8 conditioins and create jobs in rural communities.

- 9                           (1) To manage, use, and invest the funds and other properties of the Kosrae  
 10 Home Improvement Program and other funds of the Kosrae Housing  
 11 and Rural Development Authority in accordance with acceptable  
 12 business practices and the provisions of this chapter;  
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 14                           (2) To lend money to qualified Kosraens living in Kosrae or Kosraens  
 15 living abroad who wish to build and maintain residential homes in  
 16 Kosrae;  
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 18                           (3) To lend money or establish lending program to qualified individuals  
 19 who wishes to enages in small scale rural development projects with  
 20 priorites given to rural farmers, producers, women and small business  
 21 entrepreneurs.  
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- 1 (4) To establish lending program to businesses to improve economic  
2 conditions and create jobs in rural communities.  
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4 (5) ~~(4)~~ To seek and receive grants, donation and other funds to be used by  
5 the Authority for the purposes for which it is created;  
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7 (6) ~~(5)~~ To borrow money only when it is fiscally prudent to do so;  
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9 (7) ~~(6)~~ To adopt rules, regulations, or policies to implement the provisions  
10 of this Act, consistent with applicable consumer protection laws and  
11 other applicable laws;  
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13 (8) ~~(7)~~ To exercise all powers necessary to discharge its duties and  
14 responsibilities, including, but not limited to, the following:  
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16 (a) To adopt, alter, and use an official seal;  
17 (b) To adopt bylaws, rules or regulations governing the duties  
18 granted to it or imposed by law;  
19 (c) To set interest charges, penalties and fees on loans issued to  
20 customers within limits set by law;  
21 (d) To deny loan applications;  
22 (e) To require loan security deposits;  
23 (f) To establish procedures and policies to ensure timely payment  
24 and collection of loans;  
25 (g) To acquire, in any lawful manner, real, personal, or mixed  
26 property, either tangible or intangible; and to hold, maintain, use  
27 and operate such property; and to sell, lease or otherwise  
28 dispose of such property;  
29 (h) To sue or be sued in the name of the Kosrae Housing and Rural  
30 Development Authority;

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1 (i) To retain and terminate services of employees, agents,  
2 attorneys, and independent contractors upon such terms and  
3 conditions as the Authority deems appropriate.

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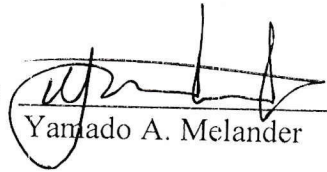
5 Section 3. Effective Date. This act takes effect upon the approval of the Governor  
6 or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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9 Date: 9/7/2020

Introduced by:

  
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