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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend the Kosrae State Code by amending Section 13.517 (1) of Title 13, to prohibit the consumption of alcoholic drinks during the Good Friday holiday; 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 amending Section 13.517 (1) of Title 13, to prohibit the consumption of alcoholic drinks
3 during the Good Friday holiday; and for other purposes.

4 Section 2. Amendment. Title 13, Chapter 5, Section 13.517 (1) of the Kosrae
5 State Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 “Section 13.517. Unauthorized consuming, possessing or giving of alcoholic drink.
7 Unauthorized consuming, possessing or giving of alcoholic drink is any of the following
8 acts:

- 9 (1) Consuming alcoholic drink on Sunday, Gospel Day or the day on
10 which it is celebrated pursuant to Section 2.501(3), ~~or~~ on December
11 25., and on Good Friday or the Friday before Easter Sunday;
- 12 (2) Consuming or possessing alcoholic drink without attaining twenty-
13 one years of age;
- 14 (3) Giving or selling alcoholic drink to a minor;
- 15 (4) Consuming an alcoholic drink or possessing an open container of
16 alcoholic drink in a public place except when such place is closed to
17 the general public for the purpose of conducting a private party,

1 reception or social gathering and admission is by invitation or as
2 otherwise provided by law;

3 (5) Consuming an alcoholic drink or possessing an open container of
4 alcoholic drink on private land without the permission of the owner
5 or tenant thereof;

6 (6) Opening a container of alcoholic drink unless it has first been sold
7 at a licensed retail, bar, or restaurant sale or has legally been
8 brought into the State for personal use;

9 (7) Manufacturing an alcoholic drink in the State;

10 (8) Opening or attempting to buy alcoholic drink without attaining
11 twenty-one years of age;

12 A person using alcoholic drink for a bona fide religious purpose is exempt from
13 the foregoing provisions.

14 Unauthorized possessing, consuming or giving alcoholic drink is a category one
15 misdemeanor.”

16 Section 3. Effective Date. This Act takes effect upon the approval of the
17 Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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20 Date: 4/20/23

Introduced by: 
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