

NITIJELA OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

21ST CONSTITUTIONAL REGULAR SESSION, 2000

BILL NO. 2NDI
P.L. 2000-6

An Act

To amend Section 108 of the Criminal Code by providing for an increase in the statute of limitations from 3 years to 6 years on all crimes except murder in the first or second degree.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS:

Section 1. **Short Title.**

This Act may be cited as the Criminal Code (Amendment) Act of 2000.

Section 2. **Amendment.**

Section 108 of the Criminal Code, 31 MIRC, Chapter 1, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 108. Limitation of prosecution.

No person shall be prosecuted, tried or punished for any crime, except murder in the first or second degree, unless the prosecution is commenced by the filing of a criminal information, complaint or citation within six (6) years after such crime has been committed; provided, however, that nothing in this Section shall bar any prosecution against any person who shall flee from justice, or absent himself from the Republic, or so secrete himself that he cannot be found by the officers of the law, so that process cannot be served upon him."

Section 3. **Effective Date.**

This shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance with Article 4, Section 21, of the Constitution.

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Certificate

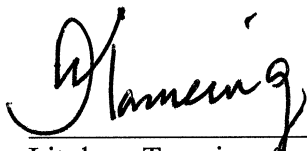
I hereby certify:

(1) that the above Nitijela Bill No. 2ND has been passed by the Nitijela of the Marshall Islands on the 9th day of March, 2000; and

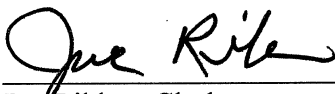
(2) that I am satisfied that Nitijela Bill No. 2ND has been passed in accordance with the Constitution of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of the Nitijela.

I hereby place my signature before the Clerk of the Nitijela this 20th day of March, 2000.

ATTEST:



Litokwa Tomeing, Speaker
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands



Joe Riklon, Clerk
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands