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5 **GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT**
6 **INTEGRITY AND SUSTAINABILITY ACT 2016**

5 **A BILL FOR AN ACT** to encourage and ensure integrity and sustainability of
6 Government Infrastructure Development Projects.

7 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS**

8 **§1. Short title.**

9 This Act may be cited as the Government Infrastructure Development
10 Integrity and Sustainability Act 2016.

11 **§2. Statement of National Objective.**

- 12 (1) It is the right of people under the Constitution to have health care,
13 education, legal services and the right to a responsible and ethical
14 government; and
- 15 (2) To ensure confidence of the people in the government and to the
16 fulfill the rights of people under the Constitution, that there is a
17 integrity and sustainability of Government Infrastructure
18 Development Projects without any disruptions due to change of
19 government or administration.

20 **§3. Interpretation**

21 In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:

22 **“Infrastructure development project”** includes any service or facility
23 necessary for social and economic development including but not limited to

1 technical structures such as roads, buildings, bridges, tunnels, water supply,
2 sewers, electrical grids, telecommunications, shipping or any other
3 development projects.

4 **§4. Integrity and sustainability of Government Infrastructure**
5 **Development Projects: Changes prohibited**

6 It shall be unlawful for any government to change any infrastructure
7 development project that is approved by a previous government or
8 administration including any infrastructure project that is endorsed and
9 funded by development partners and is identified for implementation.

10 **§5. Effective Date.**

11 This Act shall come into effect on the date of certification in accordance with
12 Article IV Section 21 of the Constitution and Rules of Procedures of the
13 Nitijela.

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BILL SUMMARY

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This Bill proposes to encourage and ensures integrity and sustainability of Government Infrastructure Development Projects in the Marshall Islands.

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The Republic of the Marshall Islands has faced problems with the implementation of projects or programs ear-marked for implementation due to changes of Governments. Such changes to development projects usually results in the ordinary citizen not having to benefit and fulfill their rights under the Constitution due to political shifts.

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To avoid the disruption of the development aspirations in the Marshall Islands, the Bill prohibits any change to infrastructure Development Projects or programs that have been approved by any government or administration including projects or programs that are endorsed and funded by development partners and are identified for implementation

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