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2018.**

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**AN ACT** to provide for the holding of Referendum pursuant to paragraph (4) of Article XII of the Constitution.

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

**§101. Short title.**

This Act may be cited as the Referendum (Constitutional Amendment) Act 2018..

**§102. Referendum.**

- (1) There shall be conducted throughout the Republic of the Marshall Islands, pursuant to Article XII, Section 4, paragraph (4) of the Constitution, a national referendum among all qualified voters on the proposed amendments to the Constitution.
- (2) The referendum shall be conducted in accordance with the Election and Referenda Act of 1980.
- (3) The referendum shall be conducted on the date fixed by the Speaker in consultation with the Chief Electoral Officer.

**§103. Proposed Amendments for Referendum.**

The Proposed Amendments for Referendum are hereby listed under Schedule 1.

**§104. Result of the Referendum.**

- (1) In addition to making the official declaration of the results of the Referendum in accordance with Sections 185 and 189 of the Elections and Referenda Act, 1980 (2 MIRC Chapter 1), the Chief Electoral Officer shall also transmit the results to the Speaker of the Nitijela as soon as practicable.
- (2) Upon receiving the official results of the referendum from the Chief Electoral Officer, the Speaker shall, upon being satisfied that the amendments were approved in compliance with the requirements of the Constitution and applicable laws, certify that such amendments has been made pursuant to Article XII, Section 4, paragraph (4) of the Constitution, as having been submitted to the people by a Constitutional Convention and approved by two-thirds of the votes validly cast in a referendum of all qualified voters on the proposed amendments to the Constitution.

**§105. Expenses for the Referendum.**

The cost of holding the referendum shall not exceed \$650,000, as provided for under the Appropriations (Financial Year 2018) Act, or such other greater amount as may be provided for in accordance with applicable law.

**§106. Effective date.**

This Act shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution.

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**CERTIFICATE**

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**I hereby certify:**

1. That Nitijela Resolution No: 127 was passed by the Nitijela of the Republic of the Marshall Islands on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2018; and
2. That I am satisfied that Nitijela Resolution No: 127 was passed in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of Procedures of the Nitijela.

I hereby place my signature before the Clerk this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 2018.



**Hon. Kenneth A. Kedi**  
Speaker  
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands

**Attest:**



**Morean Watak**  
Clerk  
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands

