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DISTRICT ENTITIES FOR
DEVELOPMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

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DIVISION 2: DOMESTIC FISHING

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§1001. Authorized; powers.

Each district government is authorized to establish by law an entity to promote, develop, and support commercial utilization of living marine resources within its jurisdiction. The entity shall be composed of representatives of district parties with a significant interest in the utilization of living marine resources. The entity shall be provided by law with the power and authority to carry out the purpose stated above, which powers may include but need not be limited to the following:

(a) To provide guidance to the district government in establishing marine resources development policy;

(b) To make regulations concerning the exploitation of living marine resources as permitted by law;

(c) To serve as a conduit for public funds to establish and operate facilities required for commercial fisheries development, to conduct pilot fishing operations and to participate in large scale commercial fishing and related activities which are not suitable for investment by the private sector;

(d) To establish and support programs to promote, support and guide fishing cooperative associations. (P.L. No. 7-111, §1.)

Source: 45 TTC §162.

§1002. Succession.

Upon the establishment of a district entity pursuant to this chapter the provisions of former sections 151 to 161 of Title 45 of the Trust Territory Code shall cease to apply in that district and all assets, liabilities and activities of the district fishing authority created pursuant to those

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provisions shall be transferred to the new district entity.
(P.L. No. 7-111, §2.)

Source: 45 TTC §163, modified.

§1003. Funding.

Funds for the operation and activities of the district entity created pursuant to this chapter may be provided by the Trust Territory government, the Congress of Micronesia, the district legislature, the net earnings from its activities, and tax revenues generated from the sale of supplies and provisions to foreign fishing vessels entering ports within the district. (P.L. No. 7-111, §3.)

Source: 45 TTC §164.

§1004. Authorization of appropriations for 1979 and 1980.

The sum of \$240,000.00 for each of the fiscal years 1979 and 1980 is authorized to be appropriated from the general fund of the Congress of Micronesia to be made available to the district entity created pursuant to this chapter in the amount of \$40,000.00 per district per year or so much thereof as may be necessary, provided that matching funds are provided by appropriations from the district legislature. (P.L. No. 7-111, §4.)

Source: 45 TTC §165.

§1005. Annual report.

Each district entity created pursuant to this chapter shall prepare an annual report on its finances and activities to be submitted to the district legislature and the Congress of Micronesia within 20 days of the completion of each calendar year. (P.L. No. 7-111, §5.)

Source: 45 TTC §166.

§1006. Succession in absence of entity.

If no district entity is created pursuant to this act prior to May 1, 1979, the district administrator shall be responsible for the promotion, support and guidance of fishing cooperative associations, but he shall terminate the loan fund program established by section 157 of Title 45 of the Trust Territory Code and shall be responsible for the collection of outstanding loans as the payments become due and shall return to the general fund of the Congress of Micronesia such portion of those collections as were provided originally by the Congress of Micronesia, together with the interest collected thereon. (P.L. No. 7-111, §7.)

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Source: 45 TTC §167, modified.