

## AMENDMENTS

1983—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 98-213, §3(a), substituted “1985” for “1983”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 98-213, §3(b), amended subsec. (c) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (c) read as follows: “It is the sense of Congress that the term ‘rebate’ as used in section 602 of Public Law 94-241 does not permit the abatement of taxes.”

1980—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 96-597 substituted “until, but not after, January 1, 1983.” for “and before January 1, 1981.”.

## SUSPENSION OF PROHIBITION OF ABATEMENT OF TAXATION IN COMMONWEALTH OF NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

Pub. L. 96-597, title III, §303(b), Dec. 24, 1980, 94 Stat. 3478, provided that provisions of subsec. (c) of this section were suspended and were of no force or effect until Jan. 1, 1983.

**§ 1844. Political union between Territory of Guam and Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands**

In the event that a political union is effected at a future time between the Territory of Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federal Government and each of its agencies is authorized and directed to assure that—

(i) there will be no diminution of any rights or entitlements otherwise eligible to said territory and Commonwealth in effect on the effective date of such union,

(ii) there will be no adverse effect on any funds which have been or may hereafter be authorized or appropriated for said territory or Commonwealth, as of the effective date of such union, or

(iii) no action is taken that would in any manner discourage such unification.

Whenever any discrepancy exists or arises between the benefits available for either said territory or Commonwealth under any policies or programs authorized by law (including, but not limited to, any formulas for matching grants-in-aid or comparable programs or benefits), the most favorable terms available to either said territory or Commonwealth shall be deemed applicable to said unified area after the effective date of unification.

(Pub. L. 96-597, title VI, §602, Dec. 24, 1981, 94 Stat. 3480.)

## CODIFICATION

Section was formerly set out as a note under section 1681 of this title.

**§ 1845. Plans for development, utilization, and conservation of water and related land resources**

(a) The Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers and in cooperation with the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, is hereby authorized and directed to study and draft plans for development, utilization, and conservation of water and related land resources of the Commonwealth. To carry out the purposes of this section there are authorized to be appropriated effective October 1, 1983, such sums as may be necessary.

(b) Such studies shall include appropriate consideration of the needs for flood protection; wise

use of flood plain lands; navigation facilities; hydroelectric power generation; regional water supply and waste water management facilities systems; general recreational facilities; enhancement and control of water quality; enhancement and conservation of fish and wildlife; and other measures for environment improvement and economic and human resources development. Such studies shall also be compatible with comprehensive development plans formulated by local planning agencies and other interested Federal agencies.

(Pub. L. 98-213, §13, Dec. 8, 1983, 97 Stat. 1462.)

## CODIFICATION

Section was formerly set out as a note under section 1681 of this title.

**§ 1846. Exemption from assessment and taxation of real property owned by Commonwealth in United States capital**

Real property owned by the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in the capital of the United States and used by the Resident Representative thereof in the discharge of his representative duties under the Covenant shall be exempt from assessment and taxation.

(Pub. L. 101-219, title II, §208, Dec. 12, 1989, 103 Stat. 1875.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Covenant, referred to in text, is the Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America, which is contained in section 1 of Pub. L. 94-241, set out as a note under section 1801 of this title.

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**CHAPTER 18—MICRONESIA, MARSHALL ISLANDS, AND PALAU**

**SUBCHAPTER I—MICRONESIA AND MARSHALL ISLANDS**

## Sec.

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- (a) Federated States of Micronesia.
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  - (e) Subsidiary agreements deemed bilateral.
  - (f) Effective date.
1902. Agreements with Federated States of Micronesia.
- (a) Law enforcement assistance.
  - (b) Economic development plans review process.
  - (c) Agreement on audits.
1903. Agreements with and other provisions related to Marshall Islands.
- (a) Law enforcement assistance.
  - (b) Economic development plans review process.
  - (c) Ejit.
  - (d) Kwajalein payments.
  - (e) Section 177 Agreement.
  - (f) Nuclear test effects.
  - (g) Espousal provisions.
  - (h) DOE radiological health care program; USDA agricultural and food programs.

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| <p>Sec.</p> <p>(i) Rongelap.<br/>(j) Four atoll health care program.<br/>(k) Enjebi Community Trust Fund.<br/>(l) Bikini Atoll cleanup.<br/>(m) Agreement on audits.</p> <p>1904. Interpretation of and United States policy regarding Compact of Free Association.<br/>(a) Human rights.<br/>(b) Immigration.<br/>(c) Nonalienation of lands.<br/>(d) Nuclear waste disposal.<br/>(e) Impact of Compact on U.S. areas.<br/>(f) Fisheries management.<br/>(g) Foreign loans.</p> <p>1905. Supplemental provisions.<br/>(a) Domestic program requirements.<br/>(b) Relations with Federated States of Micronesia and Marshall Islands.<br/>(c) Continuing Trust Territory authorization.<br/>(d) Medical referral debts.<br/>(e) Survivability.<br/>(f) Registration for agents of Governments of Federated States of Micronesia and Marshall Islands.<br/>(g) Noncompliance sanctions.<br/>(h) Continuing programs and laws.<br/>(i) College of Micronesia; education programs.<br/>(j) Trust Territory debts to U.S. Federal agencies.<br/>(k) Use of DOD medical facilities.<br/>(l) Technical assistance.<br/>(m) Prior Service Benefits Program.<br/>(n) Indefinite land use payments.<br/>(o) Communicable disease control program.<br/>(p) Trust funds.<br/>(q) Annual reports on determinations under Compact section 313.<br/>(r) User fees.</p> <p>1906. Construction contract assistance.<br/>(a) Assistance to U.S. firms.<br/>(b) Authorization of appropriations.</p> <p>1907. Limitations.<br/>(a) Prohibition.<br/>(b) Termination.</p> <p>1908. Transitional immigration rules.<br/>(a) Citizen of Northern Mariana Islands.<br/>(b) Termination.</p> <p>1909. Timing.</p> <p>1910. Implementation of audit agreements.<br/>(a) Transmission of annual financial statement.<br/>(b) Annual audits by President.<br/>(c) Authority of GAO.</p> <p>1911. Compensatory adjustments.<br/>(a) Additional programs and services.<br/>(b) Investment Development Funds.<br/>(c) Board of Advisors.<br/>(d) Further amounts.</p> <p>1912. Jurisdiction.</p> | <p>Sec.</p> <p>(c) Omitted.<br/>(d) Peleliu and Angaur.<br/>(e) Power generation.<br/>(f) Reduction of appropriations.<br/>(g) Understandings, interpretations, and policy statements.<br/>(h) Additional provisions relating to Title Three of Compact.<br/>(i) Availability of appropriations.<br/>(j) Authority to contract or make payments.<br/>(k) Annual report.</p> <p>1934. Jurisdiction.<br/>(a) Maritime and territorial jurisdiction.<br/>(b) Defense sites.<br/>(c) Offenses.</p> |
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- PART B—IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPACT
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| <p>1951. Entry into force of Compact.<br/>1952. Fiscal procedures assistance.<br/>1953. Antidrug program.<br/>(a) Plan.<br/>(b) Agreement.<br/>1954. Public auditor and special prosecutor.<br/>1955. Audit certification.<br/>1956. Acquisition of defense sites.<br/>1957. Federal programs coordination personnel.<br/>1958. Referendum costs.<br/>1959. Agreements.<br/>(a) Effective date of certain agreements.<br/>(b) Extensions.<br/>(c) Authorization.</p> <p>1960. Modification of energy assistance funding.<br/>(a) Fulfillment of United States obligations.<br/>(b) Adjustment and payment.<br/>(c) Availability of appropriation account.</p> <p>1961. Submission of agreements.<br/>1962. Transition funding.</p> | <p>1960. Modification of energy assistance funding.<br/>(a) Fulfillment of United States obligations.<br/>(b) Adjustment and payment.<br/>(c) Availability of appropriation account.</p> <p>1961. Submission of agreements.<br/>1962. Transition funding.</p> |
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- SUBCHAPTER III—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS
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| <p>1971. Transfer of surplus personal property owned by United States.<br/>(a) Transfer to Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Marshall Islands, and Federated States of Micronesia.<br/>(b) Declaration that property is surplus.<br/>(c) Property held in trust.</p> <p>1972. Controlled substances in freely associated states.<br/>(a) In general.<br/>(b) Effective date.</p> <p>1973. Freely Associated State Air Carrier.</p> | <p>1971. Transfer of surplus personal property owned by United States.<br/>(a) Transfer to Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Marshall Islands, and Federated States of Micronesia.<br/>(b) Declaration that property is surplus.<br/>(c) Property held in trust.</p> <p>1972. Controlled substances in freely associated states.<br/>(a) In general.<br/>(b) Effective date.</p> <p>1973. Freely Associated State Air Carrier.</p> |
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- SUBCHAPTER I—MICRONESIA AND MARSHALL ISLANDS
- SUBCHAPTER REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS
- This subchapter is referred to in sections 1933, 1952, 1957, 1959, 1973 of this title; title 16 section 470a.
- § 1901. Approval of Compact of Free Association**
- (a) Federated States of Micronesia**
- The Compact of Free Association set forth in title II of this joint resolution between the United States and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby approved, and Congress hereby consents to the subsidiary agreements as set forth on pages 115 through 391 of House Document 98-192 of March 30, 1984, as they relate to such Government. Subject to the provisions of this joint resolution, the President is authorized to agree, in accordance with section 411 of the Compact, to an effective date for and thereafter to implement such Compact, having taken into account any procedures with re-

SUBCHAPTER II—PALAU

PART A—APPROVAL OF COMPACT AND SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS

1931. Approval of Compact of Free Association.  
(a) Approval.  
(b) Reference to Compact.  
(c) Amendment, change, or termination of Compact and certain agreements.  
(d) Effective date.
1932. Extension of Compact of Free Association to Palau.
1933. Supplemental provisions.  
(a) Civic Action Teams.  
(b) Inventory and study of natural, historic, and other resources.