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4 to amend Title 27, Chapter 2 of the MIRC to include as jurisdiction of the High Court of the  
5 Republic of the Marshalls to approve corpus of the trust fund for the four atolls established under  
6 177 Agreement.

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8 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL**  
9 **ISLANDS:**

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11 **Section 1. Short title.**

12 This Act may be cited as the Judiciary (Approval of Trust Funds)(Amendment) Act,  
13 2013.

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15 **Section 2. Amendment.**

16 Section 211 of the Principal Act is amended as follows:

17 **“§211. Jurisdiction of the High Court.**

18 (1) The jurisdiction of the High Court is as provided in:

19 (a) Article VI, Section 3 of the Constitution of the Marshall Islands (general  
20 jurisdiction);

21 (b) Article II, Section 5 of the Constitution of the Marshall Islands (compensation  
22 for compulsory acquisition);

23 (c) Article III, Section 1(8) of the Constitution of the Marshall Islands  
24 (membership of the Council of Iroij);

25 (d) Article IV, Section 9 of the Constitution of the Marshall Islands (membership  
26 of the Nitijela);

27 (e) Article XI of the Constitution of the Marshall Islands (relating to citizenship);

28 (f) this Chapter; and

29 (g) any other law of the Republic.

1 (2) In particular, the High Court has jurisdiction in probate, admiralty and maritime  
2 matters, and the adjudication of title to land or any interest in land.

3 (3) In addition, the High Court has the powers with regard to the determination of the  
4 size, membership and procedures of the Traditional Rights Court conferred by Article VI,  
5 Section 4(2) of the Constitution of the Marshall Islands and Section 223 of this Chapter.”

6 (4) In addition, the High Court has the power to approve the invasion of corpus of the  
7 trust funds of the four atolls established pursuant to the Section 177 Agreement, until such time a  
8 tribunal is established or funds are available to the Nuclear Claims Tribunal to carry out such  
9 functions.

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11 **Section 3. Effective Date.**

12 This Act shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance with the Constitution  
13 of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and Rules of Procedures of the Nitijela.

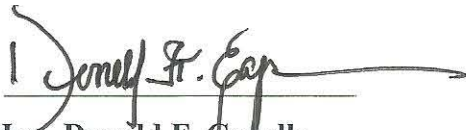
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17 **CERTIFICATE**

18 **I hereby certify:**

- 19 1. That Nitijela Bill No. 41ND1 was passed by the Nitijela of the Republic of the  
20 Marshall Islands on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013; and  
21 2. That I am satisfied that Nitijela Bill No. 41ND1 was passed in accordance with the  
22 relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall  
23 Islands and the Rules of Procedures of the Nitijela.

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25 I hereby place my signature before the Clerk this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2013.

Attest:



Hon. Donald F. Capelle  
Speaker  
Nitijela of the Marshall Island



Tadashi Lometo  
Clerk  
Nitijela of the Marshall Islands

