

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend 28 PNC 102, requiring non-citizen lawyers to obtain a Foreign Investment Approval Certificate unless otherwise exempted by 28 PNC 103(d), and for other related purposes.

THE PEOPLE OF PALAU REPRESENTED IN THE OLBIIL ERA KELULAU DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1. Amendments.**

2 **“§ 102. Definitions.**

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4 (c) “Business enterprise” means any sole proprietorship, partnership,
5 corporation, trust, joint venture, association or any other form of business organization,
6 including attorneys engaging in private practice, established in the Republic for the
7 purpose of carrying on a business. The following shall be exempt from the definition:
8 any foreign entity conducting business activities in the Republic exclusively to fulfill
9 the terms of a contract with the national government; any entity organized exclusively
10 for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or to foster
11 national or international amateur athletic competition or for the prevention of cruelty
12 to children or animals, no part of the earnings of which inure to the benefit of any
13 shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying
14 on propaganda or is involved in political campaigning; any entity engaging exclusively
15 in the practice of ~~law~~ or medicine.

16 (d) “Carrying on a business” means engaging in any kind of business
17 enterprise, profession or trade, as an owner or part-owner, for the purpose, in whole or
18 in part, of commercial gain or profit.

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20 **“§ 103. Requirement of foreign investment approval certificate.**

21 (a) No non-citizen shall carry on a business enterprise in the Republic, either
22 directly or indirectly, without first obtaining a foreign investment approval certificate

