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**Subject:** Governor Anefal signs Bill to establish the Yap State Trust Fund.

**In a communication to the Speaker of the Seventh Legislature of the State of Yap, copied to all branches and agencies of the State Government, Governor Anefal informed Speaker Charles Chieng that he had signed Bill No. 7-5, D1 in to Yap State Law No. 7-17. The new law establishes a Yap State Trust Fund. The purpose of the Fund is to create a separate fund for the State to be invested in a long-term investment program for future financial needs of the State. The law authorizes the Governor to reserve and deposit thirty million (\$30,000,000) from the State's Treasury into the Trust Fund. Subsequent amounts may be deposited into the Fund which shall become part of the corpus of the Fund.**

**The law also specifies that any agreement entered into between the Governor and a long-term investment program(s) requires the approval of the Legislature. The criteria for selecting financial institution(s) to perform investment responsibilities on the Fund include an institution organized under the laws of the United States, be FDIC insured and/or have registered with the Securities Investor Protection Corporation. It must have the net worth in excess of \$100 million, with at least ten years of experience as a financial institution. If such institution is to also manage the Fund, it shall demonstrate having assets under management in excess of \$1 billion UDS.**

**The law strictly prohibits withdrawals with the exception of those necessary for payment of fees for the investment or maintenance of the Trust Fund pursuant to applicable sections of the law.**

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