**§ 2721. Title.**

This Act shall be cited as the "CNMI Agriculture Equipment Service Revolving Fund Program Act of 2002."

**Source:** PL 13-28, § 1.

**Commission Comment:** PL 13-28, which took effect November 9, 2002, did not clearly identify an expenditure authority for the established revolving fund. Contained in PL 13-28 were findings, severability, and savings clause provisions. The findings stated:

> Section 2. Findings. The Legislature finds that the Division of Agriculture, Department of Lands and Natural Resources, has and continues to play an important role in the sustainability of agricultural production in the CNMI by assisting the farmers prepare their land farm areas for planting at a nominal service fee. Further, the Legislature finds that these agriculture equipment have been, and continues to be, used extensively for agricultural land development resulting in increased expenses in fuel, lubrication, maintenance, repairs and other associated expenses.
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> Furthermore, the Legislature finds that the sum appropriated to the Division of Agriculture for repairs and maintenance is insufficient to meet the farmers' demand for agriculture equipment service at their designated farm areas. Therefore, it is imperative that any ad all sums collected from these agriculture equipment service requests be deposited into a revolving fund account to enhance its accessibility and availability when needed.