

S.C.R. NO. 13-56

SEPTEMBER 4, 2003

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

Your Committee on Transportation and Communications, to which was referred C.R. No. 13-18, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF MR. AKILLINO H. SUSAIA TO SERVE AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE.”,

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of the resolution are expressed in its title.

Your committee requested comments from both executive and legislative leaders in each of the States, and from staff and exempt members of the Department of Transportation, Communication and Infrastructure.

The committee also conducted public hearings regarding this nomination.

Your committee notes that Mr. Susaia has served as General Manager of the Pohnpei Port Authority since 1996 and as Budget Officer for the Pohnpei Legislature between 1988 and 1996. Your committee also notes that Mr. Susaia holds a Masters Degree in Public Administration from the University of Oregon.

Based upon the information and comments received and discussions with the nominee, your committee believes that Mr. Susaia is well-suited to manage the complexities of the Department of Transportation, Communication and Infrastructure.

Your committee would like to make the following technical amendment to the resolution:

1. Line 2 - delete "First" and insert "Second" in lieu thereof.

As amended herein, your Committee on Transportation and Communications is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 13-18 and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 13-18, C.D.1.

Signed by Senators Nelson, Neth, Aritos and Peyal