

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 14-101

RE: C.B. NO. 14-169/JGO

SUBJECT: A MANDATORY RETIRMENT AGE OF 60 FOR PUBLIC  
SERVICE EMPLOYEES INCLUDING A DATE OF EFFECT  
IN THE LAW REQUIRING

MAY 17, 2006

The Honorable Peter M. Christian  
Speaker, Fourteenth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Fourth Regular Session, 2006

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations ("J&GO"), to which was referred C.B. No. 14-169 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 52 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING SECTION 115 THEREOF TO INCLUDE A DATE OF EFFECT FOR THE MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Public Law No. 14-56 recently came into effect and introduced a mandatory retirement age of 60 for all public service system employees. After further consultation, it appears that there may be a number of unforeseen consequences that have arisen in relation to this change. On this basis, your Committee proposes, via the subject bill, to introduce a January 1, 2008 date of effect for the mandatory retirement age.

Your Committee notes that there are some questions that arise in relation to the status of those employees who were 60 years of age or older on the date Public Law No. 14-56 came into effect. However, we look forward to working with the Executive to arrive at a solution that poses the least disruption to employees and the National Government.

Thus, your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.B. No. 14-169 and recommends its passage on First Reading, and that it be placed on the Calendar for Second and Final Reading.

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Respectfully submitted,

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