

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 16-02

RE: C.B. NO. 16-03/W&M

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32

MAY 25, 2009

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir  
Speaker, Sixteenth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
First Regular Session, 2009

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred C.B. No. 16-03, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-32, AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF POHNPEI, 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. 15-32 is an appropriation act, which appropriated the sum of \$3,780,000 from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, for the purpose of funding public projects and social programs in each State of the Federated States of Micronesia.

The intent of C.B. No. 16-03 is to change the use of certain funds previously appropriated therein for projects and programs in the State of Pohnpei. In particular, the use of the \$18,000 for the "Peidie Road concrete" is now changed to fund the "Completion of Ipwal Road".

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The Office of SBOC assured your Committee that the \$18,000 appropriated therein for this specific line item ("Peidi Road Concrete") has yet to be allotted and expended. On the funding, this is old money and not new money, and the intent is merely shifting of funds within. In Section 2 of Public Law No. 15-32, the funds appropriated by this act shall remain available until fully expended.

Your Committee on Ways and Means is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.B. No. 16-03 and recommends its passage on First Reading, and that it be placed on the calendar for Second and Final reading in the form attached hereto as C.B. No. 16-03.

Respectfully submitted,

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