

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 17-139

RE: C.R. NO. 17-171/H&SA/EXAFF

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION APPROVING A GRANT
ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,114,
FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CENTERS FOR
DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

SEPTEMBER 21, 2012

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir
Speaker, Seventeenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Fifth Regular Session, 2012

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was
jointly referred C.R. No. 17-171, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING A GRANT ASSISTANCE IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$54,114, FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL
AND PREVENTION, INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS
OF THE ASSISTANCE."

begs leave to report as follows:

This grant will continue a nation-wide project run by the
Department of Health and Social Affairs to further
strengthen the Federated States of Micronesia's surveillance
of infectious disease. Specifically, the Grant will be used
to increase surveillance of infectious diseases, including
those which are vaccine preventable and those which are
gastrointestinal in nature. The Department of Health and
Social Affairs expects funding for this work for at least
four years and that it will have a significant long-term

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impact on the prevention and mitigation of these diseases.
This is the second year that funding has been provided.

Your Committee held hearings on March 22 and 26, 2012 at the inception of the project to increase surveillance of infectious disease. At that time the Committee was briefed by the Department of Health and Social Affairs as to the necessity of a project to investigate and mitigate the effects of disease outbreaks, such as the dengue fever outbreak in Yap. The Committee was advised by the Department of Health and Social Affairs that the project is going forward. Your Committee is satisfied with the information provided to it and the overall positive impact this project is having on public health.

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 17-171, and recommends its adoption, subject to the concurrence by the Committee on External Affairs

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Respectfully submitted,

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