

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-06

RE: C.B. NO. 18-12/W&M

SUBJECT: TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-68, AS
AMENDED; CHANGING USE OF FUNDS FOR
PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN
YAP STATE

MAY 24, 2013

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert
Speaker, Eighteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
First Regular Session, 2013

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways & Means, to which was referred C.B. No. 18-12,
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 2 OF PUBLIC LAW
NO. 17-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 17-71, FOR THE
PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS
PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND
SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATES OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES."

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Your Committee notes that C.B. No. 18-12 requests no new funding for public projects, but changes the use of funds previously appropriated. Specifically, C.B. No. 18-12 repurposes \$47,000 previously appropriated for "dock construction" as follows: \$42,000 for "Outer Islands' social and educational workshop", and \$5,000 for "Weloy Municipality subsidy". Your Committee has received a fund status report from the Department of Finance and Administration, and notes that the \$47,000 appropriated for "dock construction" has not yet been spent or allotted; the funds are available for repurposing.

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Your Committee has been informed that the \$42,000 for "Outer Islands' social and educational workshop" will be used in order to hold a series of workshops, in different locations and at staggered times, in the Outer Islands of Yap State, focusing on social issues in the community, such as truancy, alcohol and teenage pregnancy, among others. In order to hold the workshops, funding is needed for advisors, consultants, travel, and general expenses regularly incurred in promoting and holding such events.

Your Committee notes the misspelling of the "Weloy" Municipality in C.B. No. 18-12, and recommends its correction as a C.D.1.

Conclusion

Based on the information provided and its deliberations, your Committee on Ways and Means is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.B. No. 18-12 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. 18-12.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Isaac V. Figir, Chairman

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