

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-12

RE: C.R. NO. 18-11/H&SA

SUBJECT: APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT
ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,849 FROM
THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND
PREVENTION.

May 30, 2013

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

Dear Speaker,

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was
jointly referred C.R. No. 18-11 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT
ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,849 FROM THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CENTERS FOR
DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, TO FUND THE FSM'S HIV
PROGRAM FOR THE COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PREVENTION AND
CONTROL PROJECT, INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS
OF THE ASSISTANCE.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

The resolution would approve funding to continue work in the
areas of prevention and control of communicable diseases,
including HIV, other sexually transmitted diseases,
tuberculosis and viral hepatitis.

Your Committee held a joint public hearing with the
Committee on External Affairs on May 28, 2013. In

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attendance were representatives from the Department of Health and Social Affairs, the Office of SBOC, the Department of Justice and the Department of Finance and Administration. The departments were questioned as to the status of the above referenced grant, specifically as to whether money had already been expended under this grant, and whether the grant period had expired. Your Committee is satisfied that no money has been expended on this grant, and that the grant period has not yet expired. The Committee, therefore, believes that C.R. No. 18-11 which addresses the proposed U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention grant of \$76,849 is properly presented before the Committee for review.

This grant will provide funding for salaries and support in several programs of the Department of Health and Social Affairs to continue work in the prevention and control of communicable disease. Specifically, the Viral Hepatitis Program, the HIV/Prevention Community Planning Program and the Tuberculosis Control Program will benefit from this funding. This grant will allow them to continue their work in the four States and at the National level.

Your Committee is satisfied regarding the overall positive impact this grant would have on public health. Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-11, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 18-11.

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Respectfully submitted,

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/s/ Tiwiter Aritos
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