

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-136

RE: C.R. NO. 18-131/H&SA

SUBJECT: APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$47,492.

APRIL 01, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert  
Speaker, Eighteenth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Third Special Session, 2014

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was  
jointly referred C.R. No. 18-131 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN  
THE AMOUNT OF \$47,492 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR  
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, TO FUND THE ABSTINENCE  
EDUCATION PROGRAM, 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 a grant award to fund the  
second year of the Federated States of Micronesia Health  
Program for Children and Families for Abstinence Education  
for the calendar year of 2014.

Your Committee held a joint public hearing with the  
Committee on External Affairs on March 31, 2014.

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Representatives from the Department of Health and Social Affairs confirmed for the Committee that the funding was to assist building a successful program of abstinence education for our Nation's youth. This funding would be for this calendar year of 2014. This program is still working on assessment and program building but the Committee did hear of the hard work already done by the Department in this area.

The Department was also able to provide a budget for the program as follows: \$10,000 for in country travel, \$5,492 for supplies and \$32,000 in contractual services. No money from this grant will be used on personnel, and it was confirmed with the Department that the grant money would be divided evenly between the States.

Your Committee agrees that continued funding for abstinence education is very important for the Federated States of Micronesia. Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-131, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Tiwiter Aritos, vice chairman

/s/ Peter M. Christian  
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/s/ Yosiwo P. George  
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/s/ Florencio S. Harper  
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/s/ David W. Panuelo  
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