

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-138

RE: C.R. NO. 18-135/H&SA

SUBJECT: APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$42,032.97.

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. 18-135 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$42,032.97 FROM THE SYNECTICS FOR
MANAGEMENT DECISIONS INC., TO FUND THE FSM'S
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS DATA
SYSTEMS RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH, 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
continuation of the project to improve the data gathering systems
and reporting for the mental health data of the Federated States
of Micronesia health patients.

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

Representatives from the Department of Health and Social Affairs
confirmed for the Committee that the funding was to continue in
the improvement of the data gathering and reporting for mental

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health, however, the funding is now available from a different source. This funding would be for this calendar year of 2014. This project will do survey and inventory throughout the four States next year.

The Department confirmed that these monies would be used for contractual services, and it was also confirmed with the Department that the project would take place in all the four States.

Your Committee agrees that data management and reporting, especially in the area of mental health, 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. 18-135, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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