

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-157

RE: C.B. NO. 18-11/W&M

SUBJECT: COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE (COLA) FOR
NATIONAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

MAY 28, 2014

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

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was jointly referred
C.B. No. 18-11, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND SECTION 112 OF
TITLE 52 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES ON
MICRONESIA, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 11-81, AND
13-64, AND BY INSERTING A NEW SECTION 208 TO CHAPTER 2
OF TITLE 52 F.S.M.C., TO PROVIDE FOR A COST-OF-LIVING
ALLOWANCE (COLA) FOR EMPLOYEES COVERED BY THE NATIONAL
PUBLIC SERVICE SYSTEM ACT WHOSE EARNINGS FROM NATIONAL
GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT ARE \$15,000 OR LESS PER ANNUM,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." ,

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Your Committee concurs with the report of your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations and notes the importance of supplementing the earnings to National Government employees to sustain a liveable wage. Your committee has been informed by the testimony provided that the final cost of this measure will be \$801,840 per year and observes that sufficient funds are available in the budget to pass this measure.

Your Committee on Ways and Means is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.B. No, 18-11, concurs with the recommendations of the Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations, and recommends its adoption in the form of C.B. No. 18-11, C.D.1, as recommended by said Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Isaac V. Figir
Isaac V. Figir, chairman

Tony H. Otto, member

/s/ David W. Panuelo
David W. Panuelo, member

/s/ Joseph J. Urusemal
Joseph J. Urusemal, member
w/Reservations

/s/ Peter M. Christian

Peter M. Christian, vice chairman

/s/ Yosiwo P. George
Yosiwo P. George, member

Wesley W. Simina, member

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