

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-159

RE: C.R. NO. 18-137/H&SA

SUBJECT: APPROVING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$40,000 TO FUND THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL
SERVICES CHILDREN PROGRAM.

MAY 30, 2014

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

Dear Mr: Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was
jointly referred C.R. No. 18-137 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000 FROM THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, TO FUND
THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CHILDREN 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.

Your Committee held a joint public hearing with the
Committee on External Affairs on May 28, 2014.

This marks the second year of the project to improve
emergency medical services to our Nation's children. The
Department confirmed that during this coming year additional
training and planning will be taking place. It anticipates
that the program will be fully functional by year three and
that more funding will be available at that time.

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The Committee appreciates that the Department was able to provide a budget for this grant award at the time of hearing. During this second year consultants will be conducting training throughout the four States with an approved budget as follows:

Consulting Contracts:	\$20,000
Travel:	\$15,000
Personnel:	\$ 3,000
Other/Supplies	<u>\$ 2,000</u>
Total	\$40,000

Members of your committee expressed their strong desire that this program include services for the children residing in our Nation's outer islands. The Department confirmed that the plans include the outer islands, and that particular attention is being paid to planning evacuation and stabilizing of children in medical emergencies who are residing in the outer islands. The Secretary confirmed that this program was being constructed to fill our Nation's very specific needs.

Your committee would like to offer the following amendment to C.R. No. 18-137 as follow:

1. Page 1, line 12, delete "Third Special Session" and insert "Fourth Regular Session" in lieu thereof.

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Your committee believes that the above-captioned grant will improve the health and wellbeing of our Nation's citizens, and enable the National and State Departments of Health to continue the development of a much needed program to assist our children in times of medical emergencies. For these reasons your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-137, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 18-137, C.D.1.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Tony H. Otto
Tony H. Otto, chairman

Tiwiter Aritos, vice chairman

/s/ Peter M. Christian
Peter M. Christian, member

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

Florencio S. Harper, member

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

/s/ Joseph J. Urusemal
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