

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-260

RE: C.R. NO. 18-230/H&SA

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,813.17.

NOVEMBER 26, 2014

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

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was
jointly referred C.R. No. 18- 230 entitled:

"RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$61,813.17 FROM THE SYNETICS FOR MANAGEMENT
DECISIONS, INC., TO SUPPORT THE FSM STATES' EFFORTS FOR
THE CONTINUED COLLECTION OF MENTAL HEALTH CLIENT-LEVEL
DATA ELEMENTS DEVELOPED UNDER DATA INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS
AND ALL OTHER DATA ELEMENTS IN THE UNIFORM REPORTING
SYSTEM, INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS
THEREOF."

begs leave to report as follows:

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

On November 25, 2014 your Committee held hearings regarding
the above-captioned C.R. No. 18-230 jointly with the
Committee on External Affairs. In attendance at the public
hearing were the Secretary of Health and Social Affairs, a
representative from the Department of Justice, and a
representative from the Office of the President. The
Secretary of Health and Social Affairs stated that this was
a grant from the Synetics for Management Inc. in a modest

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amount to further the National and State Departments of Health in their efforts to continue to collect all the relevant health data on mental health clients to enter into a uniform data reporting system.

The Secretary confirmed that this grant will allow a consultant to travel through the four States to assist with training and workshops in the four States. The detailed budget for this grant is attached to this report.

The Committee noted at the hearing that information regarding this grant award and the proposed resolution were not transmitted to the Congress until Friday, November 21, 2014. Again, your Committee requested that the Department of Health and Social Affairs and the Executive in general transmit all information regarding proposed submission of grant applications, acceptance of grant awards and the proposed accompanying resolutions prior to the beginning of the session they would like action taken on these matters.

As to the specific grant that is the subject of this report your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is supportive of the program that it will support. Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-230, and upon concurrence with the Committee on External Affairs recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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/s/ Tiwiter Aritos
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