

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-54

RE: C.R. NO. 18-56/H&SA

SUBJECT: APPROVING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$40,000 FROM UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES HEALTH
RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert
Speaker, Eighteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Second Regular Session, 2013

Dear Speaker,

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was
jointly referred C.R. No. 18-56 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$40,000 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION, TO FUND THE FSM PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS AND HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM,
INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE
ASSISTANCE." ,

begs leave to report as follows:

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

The resolution would approve funding for the Department of
Health & Social Affairs to concentrate on health emergency
preparedness as it relates primarily to children. This
project will take the form of child safety and prevention of
child accidents programs.

Your Committee held a joint public hearing with the
Committee on External Affairs on September 25, 2013. In
attendance were representatives from the Department of
Health and Social Affairs, the Department of Foreign

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Affairs, the Department of Finance and Administration, SBOC, the Department of Justice and the Office of President.

The Secretary of Health & Social Affairs advised your Committee that this grant would provide funding necessary to do child safety and prevention programs and awareness. The Secretary stated that this project would focus on education and prevention, and was important as our Nation's children are often under served in the health sector, particularly regarding prevention of health emergencies.

Your Committee requested a detailed budget for this proposed project, which was provided by the Department. The following is the breakdown for this grant proposal: Personal \$2,500, Travel \$15,264, Contractual \$20,000, and related expenses \$2,236. The Secretary emphasized during the hearing that this was just a planning grant and the next year would see specific activities in education, prevention and awareness.

Your Committee is satisfied that child safety and prevention of child accidents programs are important. Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-56, and on concurrence with your 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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