

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19-120

RE: C.A. NO. 19-77 (P.C. NO. 19-289, P.C. NO. 19-300)/W&M

SUBJECT: VETO OF CONGRESSIONAL ACT NO. 19-77

MAY 13, 2016

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker, Nineteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Fourth Regular Session, 2016

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways & Means, to which was referred Presidential Communication 19-289 and Presidential Communication 19-300, regarding the veto of Congressional Act 19-77, entitled:

“AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 113 OF TITLE 50 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), TO RESTORE THE CAP ON THE ENTRY PERMIT REVOLVING FUND, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”,

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of this act is expressed in its title.

Your Committee has reviewed Congressional Act 19-77, Presidential Communication 19-289, and the accompanying veto message (P.C. No. 19-300). Your Committee did not find any legal impediments or drafting errors in the Act. Your Committee has determined that the veto is purely based on policy decision.

Your Committee appreciates the concern mentioned in P.C. No. 19-289 and P.C. No. 19-300 in regards to the efforts to

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mitigate the effects of the El Niño. Your Committee notes that each Congressional Delegation has appropriated funds to help the citizens affected by the El Niño. Furthermore, your Committee suggests that any perceived legal impediment to access the Disaster Relief Fund be revisited.

CONCLUSION

Your Committee has reviewed the veto of Congressional Act 19-77 and the veto message. Your Committee finds that the decision made by the Executive was made based on policy and not on a violation of the law. Your Committee recommends overriding the veto Congressional Act No. 19-77.

Respectfully submitted,

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