

A RESOLUTION

To amend the Official Rules of Procedure of the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia.

1           WHEREAS the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia is  
2 governed by its Official Rules of Procedure; and

3           WHEREAS Rule 15 of the Official Rules of Procedure stipulates  
4 that a motion is required to amend the said Rules; and

5           WHEREAS a Congressional Resolution is a transparent and open  
6 mechanism for amendment of the Rules; therefore

7           BE IT RESOLVED that Section 1(a) of Rule 6 of the Official  
8 Rules of Procedure of the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated  
9 States of Micronesia is amended to read as follows:

10                   **"1(a) Standing Committees.** There shall be [~~six~~] seven  
11 standing committees established by these Rules. The standing  
12 committees shall be organized pursuant to Rules 6 and 7."

13           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Section 3 of Rule 7 of the  
14 Official Rules of Procedure of the Fifteenth Congress of the  
15 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by C.R. No. 15-69, is  
16 further amended to read as follows:

17                   "Rule 7. Standing Committees

18           Section 3. [~~Health, Education and Social Affairs~~].

19                   (a) The Committee on [~~Health,~~] Education [~~and~~  
20 ~~Social Affairs~~] shall consist of not more than seven  
21 members with at least one member from each of the four

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1 States. It shall be the duty of this committee to  
2 consider and report on all bills, resolutions, and other  
3 matters referred to it pertaining to [~~the preservation~~  
4 ~~of the physical and natural environment;~~ physical and  
5 ~~mental health of the general public;~~ public education;  
6 ~~public welfare;~~ social security and general well being  
7 ~~of the people of the Federated States of Micronesia];~~  
8 and other related subjects, including Presidential  
9 nominations submitted to the Speaker which require the  
10 advice and consent of Congress. It shall be the duty of  
11 this committee to consider, investigate, and recommend  
12 to the Congress any needed revisions of existing laws or  
13 new legislation relating to any subject matter within  
14 its jurisdiction.

15 (b) This committee shall be responsible for  
16 reviewing specific subjects in the budget of the  
17 President, and all supplementals thereto, which make a  
18 request for an appropriation which relates to a subject  
19 matter within its jurisdiction. Pursuant to its review  
20 the committee shall recommend whether the matters  
21 referred to it, or portions thereof, will be authorized,  
22 and if so, in what amount. Following its review the  
23 committee shall promptly report its recommendation to  
24 the Congress. Those subjects which fall within the  
25 jurisdiction of this committee include, but are not  
26 limited to, the following:

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1 (i) [~~Department of Health and Social~~  
2 ~~Affairs;~~]  
3 [~~(ii)~~] Department of Education  
4 [~~(iii)~~] (ii) Board of Regents of the College of  
5 Micronesia;  
6 [~~(iv)~~] (iii) College of Micronesia operations;  
7 [~~(v)~~] (iv) Compact Section 221(b) programs;  
8 [~~(vi)~~] (v) Vocational agricultural programs; and  
9 [~~(vii)~~] (vi) East-West Center[~~;~~ ~~and~~  
10 ~~(viii)~~ ~~Office of National Archives, Culture and~~  
11 ~~Historic Preservation]."~~

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Section 3 of Rule 7 of the  
13 Official Rules of Procedure of the Fifteenth Congress of the  
14 Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by C.R. No. 15-69, is  
15 further amended by adding a new section 8 read as follows:

16 "Section 8. Health and Social Affairs.

17 (a) The Committee on Health and Social Affairs  
18 shall consist of not more than seven members with at  
19 least one member from each of the four States. It shall  
20 be the duty of this committee to consider and report on  
21 all bills, resolutions, and other matters referred to it  
22 pertaining to the preservation of the physical and  
23 natural environment; physical and mental health of the  
24 general public; public welfare; social security and  
25 general well-being of the people of the Federated States  
26 of Micronesia; and other related subjects, including

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1           Presidential nominations submitted to the Speaker which  
2           require the advice and consent of Congress. It shall be  
3           the duty of this committee to consider, investigate, and  
4           recommend to the Congress any needed revisions of  
5           existing laws or new legislation relating to any subject  
6           matter within its jurisdiction.

7           (b) This committee shall be responsible for  
8           reviewing specific subjects in the budget of the  
9           President, and all supplemental requests thereto, which  
10          make a request for an appropriation that relates to a  
11          subject matter within its jurisdiction. Pursuant to its  
12          review the committee shall recommend whether the matters  
13          referred to it, or portions thereof, will be authorized,  
14          and if so, in what amount. Following its review the  
15          committee shall promptly report its recommendation to  
16          the Congress. Those subjects that fall within the  
17          jurisdiction of this committee include, but are not  
18          limited to, the following:

19                   (i) Department of Health and Social Affairs;  
20                   (ii) Office of National Archives, Culture and  
21                   Historic Preservation.

22                   (iii) Office of Gender Development and Women  
23                   Affairs; and

24                   (iv) Office of Youth and Sports"

25           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be  
26           transmitted to the President of the Federated States of

1 Micronesia and the Supreme Court of the Federates States of  
2 Micronesia.

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4 Date: 12/2/08

Introduced by: /s/ Setiro Paul

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