

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19-201

RE: C.R. NO. 19-332/H&SA

SUBJECT: ACCEPTING GRANT ASSISTANCE FROM THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$19,152.

JANUARY 27, 2017

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker, Nineteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Sixth Regular Session, 2017

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs to which was
referred C.R. No. 19-332, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$19,332 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, HEALTH RESOURCES AND
SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, TO FUND THE FSM IMPROVING
DATA CAPACITY PROGRAM, INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND
CONDITIONS OF THE ASSISTANCE.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Your Committee held a hearing on January 25, 2017 the
witnesses present included: the Department of Health and
Social Affairs, including the Secretary and key staff,
Office of the President, Department of Finance and
Administration, and the Department of Justice. Your
Committee is pleased and honored to note that key members
of the administration and the directors for the State
Departments of Health were also present at our hearing.

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This small grant will provide additional funding for the FSM Maternal and Child Health Program to improve data capacity. While your Committee understands the need to capture even the most modest amount of funding for our Nation's health programs it did discuss with the witnesses the desire of all parties that these very small grant awards should have a very streamline acceptance process. Your Committee is committed to working with all of the relevant committees to amend the U.S. federally funded programs grant award acceptance process.

Your Committee would like to offer the following amendment as follows:

1. Page 1, title, delete "SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION, 2016" and insert "SIXTH REGULAR SESSION, 2017", in lieu thereof.
2. Page 1, line 14, delete "Seventh Special Session, 2016" and insert "Sixth Regular Session, 2017", in lieu thereof.

It is therefore, for the reasons set forth above, your Committee on Health and Social Affairs supports the grant activities proposed to be funded, it is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 19-332, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 19-332, C.D.1.

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Respectfully submitted,

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