

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19-202

RE: C.R. NO. 19-337/H&SA

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GRANT ASSISTANCE FROM THE UNITED STATES ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000.

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. 19-337, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000 FROM THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, OFFICE OF GRANTS MANAGEMENT, TO FUND THE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY EDUCATION PROGRAM IN THE FSM, INCLUDING ALL 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

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of the administration and the directors for the State Departments of Health were also present at our hearing.

The program funded by this grant works particularly with children in grades 6 to 8, to promote healthy activities and to discourage risk behavior. In the past this grant has funded the curriculum regarding personal responsibility for this age group.

Your Committee discussed the effectiveness of this program in our four States. The Department of Health and Social Affairs advised the Committee that currently all four States have coordinators on location that are funded by this grant. The Committee requested performance reports and a breakdown of activities for each of the four States so that oversight may be done during the next session of Congress.

The Committee is very supportive of programs to assist our young people, and believes that the work supported by this grant is important. Therefore, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 19-337, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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