

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 14-135

RE: C.B. NO. 14-240/W&M

SUBJECT: CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF YAP
STATE PROJECT FUNDING (PL NO. 14-67)

JANUARY 17, 2007

The Honorable Peter M. Christian
Speaker, Fourteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Sixth Regular Session, 2007

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred C.B. No. 14-240, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND SECTIONS 1 AND 2 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 14-67, AS AMENDED, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED FOR SOCIAL PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS IN THE STATE OF YAP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Public Law No. 14-67 appropriated \$2.1 million in the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia to fund social projects and programs in each of the State. In this particular act, some of the funding for Yap State have not been allotted and expended.

As introduced, the subject bill (C.B. No. 14-240) proposes to change the use of the \$53,000 previously appropriated for the line item - Construction of a new building for the Council of Tamol, by appropriating \$18,000 out of the \$53,000 to fund a new line item - Vehicle for the Council of Tamol, and by appropriating the available \$35,000 of the \$53,000 to fund another new line item - Typhoon Shelters for Asor Community. However, the committee recommends a change to the use of the \$35,000 to fund a new line item - Renovation of a building for the Council of Tamol instead.

Further, the subject bill proposes to change the allottee of certain funds previously appropriated under subsections (2)(b), (2)(c) and (2)(d) of Section 1 of Public Law 14-67 from the President to the Governor of the State of Yap. Also, to include the allottee of the funds under subsection (2)(f), the introduced line item - Typhoon Shelters for Asor Community, which is changed to - Renovation of the building for the Council of Tamol for the Governor of Yap State as allottee. The committee notes that pursuant to Section 2 of Public Law

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No. 14-67, the authority of the allottee to obligate the funds in this act shall not lapse.

Therefore, your committee recommends an amendment to C.B. No. 14-240 as follows:

1. Page 2, lines 23 and 24 - delete "Typhoon Shelters for Asor Community" and insert "Renovation of the building for the Council of Tamol" in lieu thereof.

With the foregoing amendment, your Committee on Ways and Means is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.B. No. 14-240 and recommends its passage on First Reading, and that it be placed on the calendar for Second and Final Reading in the form attached hereto as C.B. No. 14-240, CD 1.

Respectfully submitted,

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Isaac V. Figir, chairman

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