

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 15-41

RE: C.B. NO. 15-66/W&M

SUBJECT: AMENDING SECTIONS 13 & 16 OF PUBLIC LAW NO. 12-50,  
AS AMENDED, TO CHANGE THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF  
CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2007

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir  
Speaker, Fifteenth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Second Regular Session, 2007

Dear Mr. Speaker

Your Committee on Ways and Means has considered this bill to amend the use of \$120,000 previously appropriated in subsections 17(b) (c) (d) (e) of Section 13 of Public Law No. 14-71 and changing of the allottee. Of the \$120,000, \$55,000 was previously appropriated to fund "Building materials for Pattiw Junior High", \$15,000 was previously appropriated for "POL & Charter", \$40,000 was previously appropriated for "Outright Purchase of School Site for Pattiw Junior High School" and \$10, was previously appropriated for "Survey work (Pattiw Junior High School)".

The intent of the bill is to use the \$120,000 for a new line item - "Outright Purchase of School Site for Pattiw Junior High School", and name the "Chuuk State Commission on Improvement Project" as the allottee of this new line item.

After a follow-up with the staff at the Division of Budget, he has indicated that the \$120,000 was obligated by mistake. The recommendation received from the staff at the Division of Budget is to deobligate the \$120,000. The procedure involves is for the Secretary of the Department of Transportation, Communication and Infrastructure to write to the Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration, as allottee of the funds, to deobligate the \$120,000. Once, there is a deobligation of the funds, the record at the Department of Finance and Administration would reflect an availability of \$120,000.

This is merely to redress Presidential veto of Congressional Act No. 15-8 in Presidential Communication No. 15-49, which indicated that the \$120,000 had previously been allocated and obligated.

Your Committee on Ways and Means is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.B. No. 15-66 and recommends its

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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. 15-66.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dohsis Halbert, chairman

/s/ Roosevelt D. Kansou  
Roosevelt D. Kansou, vice chairman

/s/ Moses A. Nelson  
Moses A. Nelson, member

/a/ Claude H. Phillip  
Claude H. Phillip, member

/s/ Fredrico O. Primo  
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