

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 16-111

RE: C.R. NO. 16-117/R&D

SUBJECT: NOMINATION OF MR. ROBERT TAULUNG AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF
THE NATIONAL OCEANIC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY FROM
KOSRAE.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2010

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir
Speaker, Sixteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Fifth Regular Session, 2010

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Resources and Development, to which was referred
C.R. No. 16-117, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF MR. ROBERT TAULUNG TO
SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL
OCEANIC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (NORMA).",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

The nomination of Mr. Robert Taulung was transmitted to Congress via
Presidential Communication No. 16-261. This communication outlines
Mr. Taulung's qualifications to serve as a member of the National
Oceanic Resource Management Authority as the representative from the
State of Kosrae and urges Congress to consider this nomination
favorably.

Pursuant 24 FSMC 201 all nominations for membership on NORMA receive
the advice and consent of Congress. One member from each State must
be appointed by the President "in consultation with the Governor."
Pursuant to Section 202 of FSMC Title 24, an appointment as a member
of NORMA is for a term of two years. It appears that Mr. Taulung's
membership on the Board has expired and the Governor of Kosrae has
renominated Mr. Taulung again to sit on the board.

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The written information provided to your Committee with Presidential Communication 16-261 reveals that Mr. Taulung has a bachelor of science degree in the relevant field of biology and also that he has a wide and varied background in education and in government service. Since 1995 he has been the Administrator of the Kosrae State Department of Resources and Economic Affairs Division of Fisheries & Marine Resources.

Your Committee agrees that Mr. Taulung's past working experiences with the Kosrae Division of Fisheries & Marine Resources will make him an asset to the National Oceanic Resource Management Authority.

The Committee recommends the following amendments to the resolution:

1. Page 1, line 20, after "Directors;" delete "and", and insert "now, therefore," in lieu thereof.
2. Page 2, delete line 1 through line 8 in their entirety.

Your Committee on Resources and Development is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 16-117, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 16-117,C.D 1.

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Respectfully submitted,

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