

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-198

RE: C.R. NO. 18-162/ED

SUBJECT: CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF DR. RUFINO
MAURICIO TO SERVE ON THE COLLEGE OF
MICRONESIA LAND GRANT BOARD.

JULY 12, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert
Speaker, Eighteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Fourth Special Session, 2014

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred C.R. No. 18-162, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF DR. RUFINO
MAURICIO TO SERVE ON THE COLLEGE OF MICRONESIA LAND
GRANT BOARD REPRESENTING THE FEDERATED STATES OF
MICRONESIA.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

As you know the treaty among the governments of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Palau regarding the College of Micronesia provides for the appointment of the representatives of the three country parties to the treaty to represent them on the College of Micronesia Land Grant Board. Your Committee recognizes the importance of the Federated States of Micronesia having competent representation on the College of Micronesia Land Grant Board. Your Committee believes that the nominee has the appropriate knowledge and background to work on the important issues facing the Board at this time.

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The Committee held a hearing regarding the confirmation of this nominee on July 11, 2014. The nominee was present and stated that he welcomed the challenge that serving on the Board would present and that he felt he could contribute to its important work. The nominee also stated that since there was only one mandatory meeting per year that the travel would not be overly burdensome. The Office of the President spoke positively on the nominee's behalf.

Your Committee notes that the nominee is well-known to them, and that with his many years of government service and a Ph.D. he is an appropriate person to serve on this board. Therefore, upon a extensive review of the nominee and his qualifications your Committee is satisfied that the nominee is fit for service as a member of the College of Micronesia Land Grant Board, and believes it is in the best interest of our country that the above named nominee be confirmed as soon as possible.

Your Committee would like to offer the following amendment to C.R. No. 18-162 as follows:

1. Page 1, line 17, delete "Regular" and insert "Special" in lieu thereof.

Your Committee on Education is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 18-162, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 18-162.

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Respectfully submitted,

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