

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19-181

RE: C.R. NO. 19-292/H&SA

SUBJECT: ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT
OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, CENTERS FOR
DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$112,393.

OCTOBER 05, 2016

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker, Nineteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Fifth Regular Session, 2016

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs to which was
referred C.R. No. 19-292, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$112,393 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT
OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, CENTERS FOR DISEASE
CONTROL AND PREVENTION, TO FUND THE FSM
IMMUNIZATION AND VACCINES FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM,
INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE
ASSISTANCE.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Your Committee held a hearing on September 30, 2016, the
witnesses present included the Department of Health and
Social Affairs, including the Secretary and key staff, the
Office of the President, Department of Finance and
Administration, and the Department of Justice.

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The program that this grant funding will support is well known to the Committee. Your Committee is largely satisfied with the work that the Department is doing to immunize the children of our Nation. However, it notes, as in past hearings, that more work needs to be done to reach the children in remote locations. The Department stated that several initiatives have been designed to address this matter.

During this fiscal year three grant awards have been made for this program. The immunization budget summary for this year is attached for reference.

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 19-292, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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