

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 20-07

RE: PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATION NO. 19-301

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR 2018 BUDGET/H&SA

MAY 29, 2017

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker, Twentieth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
First Regular Session, 2017

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was jointly referred the National Government's proposed Fiscal Year 2018 budget, begs leave to report as follows:

Presidential Communication No. 19-301 was transmitted to Congress with the National Government Fiscal Year 2017 Recommended Budget on April 1, 2016. Pursuant to Rule 7, Section 3(b) of the Official Rules of Procedure of the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, your Committee has limited its review to those portions of the budget relating to matters under its jurisdiction. Your Committee shall review the following departments and divisions of the Department of Health and Social Affairs for the Fiscal Year 2018 budget items:

- I. Department of Health and Social Affairs
 - A. Office of the Secretary
 - B. Division of Health System Support
 - C. Division of Environmental Health Services
 - D. Gender Development Unit
 - E. Sport & Youth Unit
- II. Office of National Archives, Culture and Historic Preservation

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III. Grants, Subsidies & Contributions

- A. Department of Health and Social Affairs
 - 1. Grants
 - a. National Board of Nursing & Medical Licensing
 - b. FSM Red Cross
 - 2. Contributions
 - a. United Nations Fund for Population Activity (UNFPA)
 - b. World Health Organization (WHO)
 - c. FSM Amateur Sports Association
 - d. Pacific Islands Health Officer Associations (PIHOA)
 - e. Association of Territorial Health Organizations
 - f. Vaccine & TB Drug Purchasing Scheme
 - g. U.N. Women
 - h. Investing in the Youth through Sports & Health
 - i. Maintenance Effort
 - B. Office of National Archives, Culture and Historic Preservation
 - 1. Contributions
 - a. UNESCO Membership Fee
 - b. NCSHPO
 - c. PARBICA
 - d. PIALA
 - e. WHC Membership Fee
 - C. FSM Social Security Administration
 - D. FSM National Government Employee's Health Insurance Plan
- IV. Capital and Human Resource Development
- A. Department of Health and Social Affairs
 - 1. Health Services Special Pathologist
 - 2. Environment (Food & Water Lab Testing)
 - 3. Medical Specialist Team
 - 4. System Upgrade of FSM Health Network
 - 5. National Food Safety Program

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This report, and all previous and subsequent reports of your Committee, should be treated as reflecting policies of the Federated States of Micronesia, as defined by Congress. It is the intent of your Committee that any commentary found in this report should be treated as policy for the guidance of the department, agencies and entities.

It is noted by the Committee that a reorganization has just been completed for the Department of Health and Social Affairs. Your Committee has further been advised that changes in funding of the U.S. federally funded programs may result in additional changes in the Department.. It is for these reasons that your Committee has taken decision to delay oversight and review of the FY18 budget for the Department of Health & Social Affairs until the next session of Congress.

It is the sole purpose of this report to memorialize, prior to the consideration of any Congress resolution on or before May 30, 2017, that the President has not proposed, nor is this Committee recommending any use of Compact sector funds for the Fiscal Year 2018.

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Respectfully submitted,

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/s/ David W. Panuelo
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/s/ Joseph J. Urusemal
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