

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 20-42

RE: C.A. NO. 20-59 (P.C. NO. 20-158)/W&M

SUBJECT: VETO OVERRIDE OF C.A. NO. 20-59

DECEMBER 08, 2017

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

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways & Means, to which was referred Presidential Communication No. 20-158, regarding the veto of Congressional Act No. 20-59, entitled:

"AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$4,450,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATES OF YAP, KOSRAE, POHNPEI AND CHUUK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Your Committee has reviewed Congressional Act No. 20-59 and the accompanying veto message (P.C. No. 20-158). Your Committee did not find any legal impediments or drafting errors in the Act. Your Committee notes the President's comments in P.C. No. 20-158, and your Committee has determined that the veto is purely based on policy.

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CONCLUSION

Your Committee has reviewed the veto of Congressional Act No. 20-59 and the veto message. Your Committee finds that the decision made by the Executive was made based on policy and not on a legal or constitutional defect of the Act. Your Committee disagrees with this policy decision and recommends overriding the veto of Congressional Act No. 20-59.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/  
Isaac V. Figir, chairman

/s/  
David W. Panuelo, member

/s/  
Victor V. Gouland, member

/s/  
Ferny S. Perman, member

/s/  
Robson U. Romolow, member

/s/  
Joseph J. Urusemal, member

/s/  
Paliknoa K. Welly, member