STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 21-83

RE: C.A. NO. 21-229 (P.C. No. 21-493)/W&M

SUBJECT: VETO OVERRIDE

FEBRUARY 1, 2021

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker, Twenty-First Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Sixth Regular Session, 2021

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways and Means to which was referred Presidential Communication No. 21-493, regarding the veto of Congressional Act No. 21-229, entitled:

“AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 21-201, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 21-219, BY AMENDING SECTION 3 AND 5 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PRIORITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS AND OTHER PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF KOSRAE AND CHUUK STATES, 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. 21-229, and the accompanying veto message (P.C. No. 21-493). Your Committee notes the President’s comments in P.C. No. 21-493, and your Committee has determined that the line-item veto was based on inaccurate information. Since the issuing of the line-item veto, the inaccurate information has been clarified and there is no impediment in approving the line-item.
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CONCLUSION

Your Committee has reviewed the veto of Congressional Act No. 21-229 and the veto message. Your Committee finds that the decision made by the Executive was made based on inaccurate information which has subsequently been clarified and not on a legal or constitutional defect of the Act. Your Committee recommends overriding the veto of Congressional Act No. 21-229.

Respectfully submitted,

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