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COMMITTEE ON
WAYS AND MEANS

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 23-42

RE: C.A. NO. 23-19 (P.C. NO. 23-146)/W&M

SUBJECT: VETO OVERRIDE

SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

The Honorable Esmond B. Moses
Speaker, Twenty-Third Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Second Regular Session, 2023

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred Presidential Communication No. 23-146, regarding the veto of Congressional Act No. 23-19, entitled:

"AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND SECTIONS 303 AND 306 OF TITLE 55 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 18-12, 18-25 AND 18-57, TO MODIFY THE DISTRIBUTION FORMULA FOR COMPACT FUNDS TO ALLOW THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT A 10% SHARE OF THE DISTRIBUTION, TO INSERT A NEW SECTION 306A OF TITLE 55 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), CONTAINING TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024, TO CENTRALIZE THE COMPACT INFRASTRUCTURE SECTOR GRANTS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS AND INFRASTRUCTURE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of the Act are expressed in its title.

Your Committee has reviewed Congressional Act No. 23-19, and the accompanying veto message (P.C. No. 23-146). 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. 23-146, and your Committee has determined that the veto is purely based on policy.

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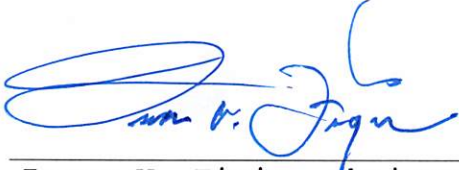
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CONCLUSION

Your Committee has reviewed the veto of Congressional Act No. 23-19 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. 23-19.

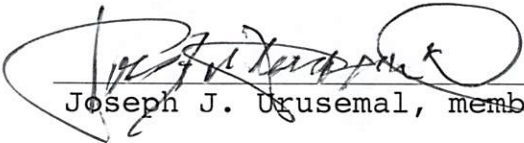
Respectfully submitted,



Isaac V. Figir, chairman



Perpetua S. Konman, vice chairwoman

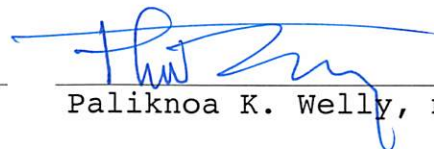


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