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June 19, 2026

Standing Comm. Report No. 11-226

Re: Bill No. 11-228

The Honorable Nicholas Figirlaarwon

Speaker

Eleventh Legislature of the State of Yap
Fourth Regular Session, 2026

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred Bill No. 11-228, entitled,

“A BILL FOR AN ACT TO AMEND YAP STATE LAW NO. 11-148, BY
AMENDING SECTION 2 TO APPROVE THE REPROGRAMMING OF
CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED THEREIN DURING FISCAL YEAR
2026, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”,

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of the bill is expressed in its title.

On June 18, 2026, the Governor transmitted to the Legislature his request for “Legislative Authorization to Reprogram Funds out of Personnel Budget into Other Budget Categories”. The request was designated as Governor’s Communication No. 11-580 and assigned to your Committee.

Temporary Floor Leader Ted Rutun, by request, is introducing Bill No. 11-228 on June 19, 2026 during session, and it is also assigned to your Committee on Finance.

Your Committee noted the calculations submitted by the Department of Health Services of funding that will be left at the end of the current fiscal year to be swept into the Compact Trust Fund. The funds mainly come from unfilled positions in the Department.

The previous procedures for reprogramming under the 2nd Amended Compact calls for an authorization of reprogramming by the Office of Insular Affairs project managers before the Legislature consents to the reprogramming. According to information provided by the Office of Planning and Budget and the FSM Office of Compact Management, this current 3rd Amended Compact (2023) requires Legislative approval of reprogramming before concurrence from project managers.

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to Finance by
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Your Committee has decided to forgo conducting a public hearing on this measure as it is straightforward. There is a dire need to reprogram for use by the Department in other Categories for health services needs. The request is to authorize reprogram of \$135,000, which is well within the calculated left-over amount in Personnel. Your Committee concurs with the Governor's request.

Therefore, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of Bill No. 11-228 and recommends passage on first and final reading in its original form.

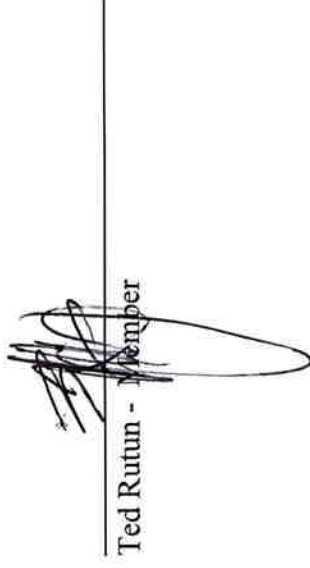
Respectfully submitted,


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