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September 24, 2026

Standing Comm. Report No. 11-247
Re: Bill No. 11-253

adopted
9/24/26

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. 11-253, entitled,

> "A BILL FOR AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF $14,555,820 FROM THE YAP STATE FISCAL YEAR 2027 COMPACT SECTOR FINANCIAL ESTIMATES FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS IN THE STATE OF YAP DURING FISCAL YEAR 2027, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.",

beg leave to report as follows:

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

In today's session, September 24, 2026, Senator Pius Talimeisei is introducing Bill No. 11-253 to appropriate the 3rd Amended Compact Sector Funds for FY2027. The bill is assigned to your Committee for consideration and recommendations. Governor's Communication No. 11-618, transmitting copies of JEMCO resolutions adopted at the Annual JEMCO meeting on August 26, 2026, was sent from Governor Itimai to Speaker Figirlaarwon on September 21, 2026 for Legislature's information. JEMCO Resolution No. 2026-01, which was enclosed in the communication, contained the concurrence and exception for Yap State FY2027 Budget proposal. This is sufficient for your Committee to determine the available Compact funding for Yap State in the upcoming fiscal year.

Your Committee is forgoing conducting a public hearing for the measure as it is straightforward in nature. With the exception to Yap State Court's use of Compact funding ($37,060), the remaining line items for the Compact funded FY2027 Budget is contained in the appropriation bill for the fiscal year (Bill No. 11-253). The total for Public Sector capacity building did not include this line item. The funding would be shifted to Local Revenues in the General Fund. The Department of Education is also requesting shifting and adjusting their budget within the allocated Education Sector grants for the department.

The Department of Education budget is as follows:

A. Personnel - $4,295,546;
B. Travel - $233,125;
C. Contractual Services - $625,873;
D. OCE - $1,765,519; and
E. Fixed Assets - $112,280.

Personnel has been adjusted by shifting funds from Administration repairs in contractual, Curriculum Division OCE (Learning resources), Wottegai schools supplies, Ifalik school supplies, NICHS school supplies and YHS school supplies.

With the above adjustment, your Committee notes that the remainder breakdown and line-items reflected in Standing Committee Report No. 11-218 remains as adopted by this Legislature. The above report and the adjustments received by your Committee via email from the Department of Education, through OPB, are placed in the main file for Bill No. 11-253 for future reference.

Therefore, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of Bill No. 11-253 and recommends passage on first and final reading in its original form.

Respectfully submitted,

Pius Talimelsei - Chairman — 9/24/24 Date

Anne-Marie Laamar - Vice Chairman — Date

Ted Rutun - Member — 9/24/24 Date