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RE: S .B. No. 258, S.D. 1

The Honorable Bethwel Henry
Speaker, House of Representatives
Fourth Congress of Micronesia
Second Special Session, 1972

Dear Sir:

Your Committee on Education and Social Matters to which was referred
S.B. No. 258, S.D. 1, ENTITLED:

S.B. No. 258, S.D. 1, "A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND FUND
A POLITICAL EDUCATION COMMISSION."

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of this bill is to establish a Political Education Commission which would evaluate the need for political education among the people of Micronesia, propose methods of preparing the people to exercise their right of self-determination in a plebiscite to determine the future political status of Micronesia and thus prepare them for self-government or independence. The Commission will conduct its studies in the next few months and report its findings to the next regular session of Congress in January, 1973.

Your Committee feels that the issue of the future political status of Micronesia is of extreme importance to our people, and if they are not informed as to the meaning of the plebiscite; it will not be a true indication of their wishes for the future of Micronesia.

Your Committee heard testimony from representatives of the administration in support of passage of this bill. Your Committee agrees with the witnesses that a program of political education is needed in order to prepare the people of Micronesia for the plebiscite to determine their political future.

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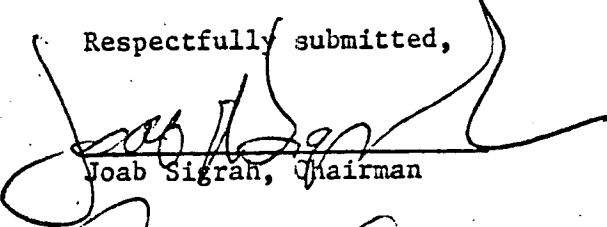
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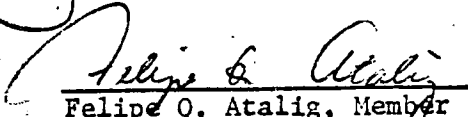
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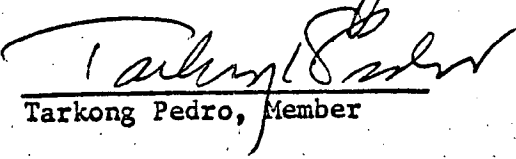
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Thus, your Committee is in complete accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 258, S.D. 1 and recommends its passage on First and Second Reading.


Respectfully submitted,



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