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COWR. No. 13- 07
 August 2, 2023
 RE: L.B. No. 13-50

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The Honorable Semeon J. Phillip
 Speaker
 13th Kosrae State Legislature
 Tofol, Kosrae FM 96944

Dear Speaker Phillip:

Your Committee of the Whole (COW), to which was assigned L.B. No. 13-50 entitled, *"To further amend State Law No. 12-190, as amended by State Law Nos. 13-04, 13-07, and 13-15, by amending Section 2 at subsection 1 (c) to modify the Office of the Governor's approved budget to include representation fund for the Governor under Contractual; and for other purposes,"* begs leave to report as follows:

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Your Committee of the Whole (COW) met in an Executive Meeting on July 27, 2023 and decided to dispose its action on L.B. No. 13-50.

COMMITTEE FINDINGS:

The intent of the subject bill is clearly stated in its title.

The basic intent of the bill is to amend the Office of the Governor's FY2023 approved budget under Contractual to allow the current Governor to retrieve his representation fund.

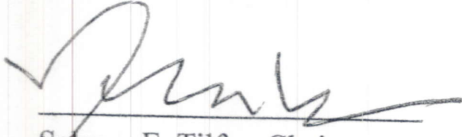
During the committee's brief deliberation, information was shared that the representation fund which was approved for the current fiscal year (2023) has already been depleted (used up) by the former Governor during the later part of the previous administration; In other words, the current Governor has not had that privilege (as other key leaders) allowable under the budget law, primarily due to the fact that it's been depleted, even before the start of this new administration.

Without much debate, the members decided to move forward with the bill.

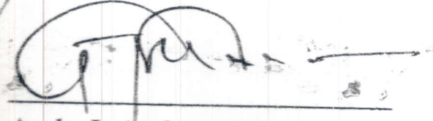
COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

With the aforementioned findings, Your Committee of the Whole (COW) hereby recommends the passage of L.B. No. 13-50 in its first and final readings.

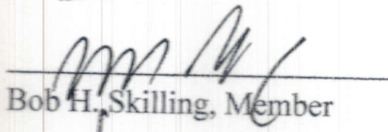
Respectfully submitted,



Salpasr E. Tilfas, Chairman



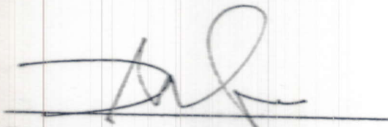
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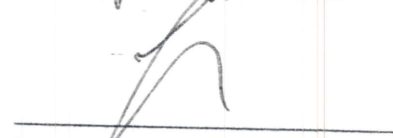
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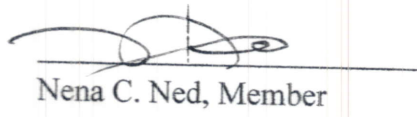
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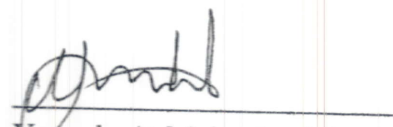
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