

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

MR. SPEAKER AND MR. PRESIDENT:

We, the undersigned conferees, have had under consideration the amendments to the following entitled BILL:

H.B. No. 99: Civil liability of parents; revise for crimes of children.

We, therefore, respectfully submit the following report and recommendation:

1. That the Senate recede from its Amendment No. 1.
2. That the House and Senate adopt the following amendment:

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

5 SECTION 1. Section 93-13-2, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
6 amended as follows:

7 93-13-2. (1) Any property owner shall be entitled to
8 recover damages in an amount not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars
9 (\$5,000.00), plus necessary court costs, from the parents of any
10 minor under the age of eighteen (18) years and over the age of ten
11 (10), who maliciously and willfully damages or destroys property
12 belonging to such owner. However, this section shall not apply to
13 parents whose parental custody and control of such child have been
14 removed by court order or decree.

15 (2) The action authorized in this section shall be in
16 addition to all other actions which the owner is entitled to
17 maintain and nothing in this section shall preclude recovery in a
18 greater amount from the minor or from any person, including the
19 parents, for damages to which such minor or other person would
20 otherwise be liable.

21 (3) It is the purpose of this section to authorize recovery
22 from parents in situations where they are not otherwise liable and
23 to limit the amount of recovery. The provisions of this section
24 shall apply only to acts committed on and after July 1, 1978.

25 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from

26 and after July 1, 1999, and shall apply only to acts committed on
27 and after July 1, 1999.

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