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. 1591: Appropriation; Athletic Commission.

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. The following sum, or so much thereof as may | be | |
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| 6 | necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Stat | e | |
| 7 | Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Athletic Commission | | |
| 8 | Fund, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Mississipp | | |
| 9 | Athletic Commission for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999 |), | |
| 10 | and ending June 30, 2000\$ 100,000 |).00. | |
| 11 | SECTION 2. With the funds approved for expenditure under | | |
| 12 | Section 1, the following positions are authorized: | | |
| 13 | AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: | | |
| 14 | Permanent: Full Time 1 | | |
| 15 | Part Time 0 | | |
| 16 | Time-Limited: Full Time 0 | | |
| 17 | Part Time 0 | | |
| 18 | From the funds provided herein, funds may be expended for the | | |
| 19 | following purposes, in compliance with the policies established | ed by | |
| 20 | the State Personnel Board and any conditions placed on such | | |
| 21 | expenditures: | | |
| 22 | (a) The components of the Variable Compensation Plan | | |
| 23 | shall be maintained within the constraints of the funds | | |
| 24 | appropriated herein. | | |
| 25 | (b) Funds are provided to adjust the Variable | | |
| 26 | Compensation Plan, including realignment, to ensure that all | | |

full-time employees with at least six (6) months of continuous

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- 28 current service, as of June 30, 1999, receive an increase of One
- 29 Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00). Funds are provided to
- 30 adjust critical job classes up to an additional One Thousand
- 31 Dollars (\$1,000.00).
- 32 (c) If an employee is currently at or above the end
- 33 salary for his or her job classification, then the increase shall
- 34 be built into the employee's base salary. To be eligible for any
- 35 increase authorized in this section, employees may not have a
- 36 current performance rating below "meets expectations" as of the
- 37 effective date of the increase. Employees who subsequently
- 38 receive a performance rating of "meets expectations" or above
- 39 during Fiscal Year 2000 shall receive the salary increase
- 40 effective the date of the rating.
- It is the agency's responsibility to make certain that funds
- 42 required to be appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal
- 43 Year 2001 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2000 funds appropriated for
- 44 that purpose unless programs or positions are added to the
- 45 agency's budget by the Mississippi Legislature.
- Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
- 47 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law.
- No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be
- 49 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are
- 50 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this
- 51 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.
- 52 SECTION 3. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
- 53 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
- 54 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
- 55 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
- 56 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
- 57 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

| 58 | SECTION 4. This act shall t | take effect and be in force from |
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| 59 | and after July 1, 1999. | |
| | CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE: | CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE: |
| | XCharlie Capps, Jr. | XDick Hall |
| | X Ted Foster | X |
| | XBilly Broomfield | X Brad Carter |