

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. 1624: Appropriation; District Attorneys and staff.

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:

6 SECTION 1. The following sums, or so much thereof as may be
 7 necessary, are hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
 8 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying
 9 salaries and travel expenses of district attorneys and assistant
 10 district attorneys of the state and paying office expenses of
 11 district attorneys for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and
 12 ending June 30, 2000..... \$ 12,313,041.00.

13 SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
 14 Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be
 15 expended for the respective purposes:

- 16 (a) Salaries and travel expenses of district attorneys,
 17 assistant district attorneys and criminal investigators of the
 18 state:
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| 19 | Salaries..... | \$11,098,386.00 |
| 20 | Travel Expenses..... | 415,167.00 |
| 21 | Tort Claims Assessment..... | \$ 31,488.00 |

22 None of the funds authorized in this section shall be used to
 23 reimburse district attorneys or their staff for taxable meals
 24 incurred within their geographical district.

25 (b) Office expenses of district attorneys as authorized
 26 by Section 25-31-8, Mississippi Code of 1972.....
 27 \$ 768,000.00.

28 SECTION 3. Of the funds appropriated in Section 1,

29 Eighty-five Thousand Ninety-nine Dollars (\$85,099.00) is provided
30 to fund salary and office expense for one (1) full-time legal
31 assistant in the Sixth Circuit Court District as authorized in
32 Section 25-31-5(2)(f), Mississippi Code of 1972.

33 SECTION 4. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
34 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
35 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
36 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
37 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
38 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

39 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from
40 and after July 1, 1999.

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