REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

MR. PRESIDENT AND MR. SPEAKER:

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

S.B. No. 3133: Appropriation; Treasurers Office.

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

1. That the House recede from its Amendment No. 1.

2. That the Senate and House adopt the following amendment:

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

4	SECTION 1. The following sum of money, or so much thereof as
5	may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the
6	State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to defray the
7	expenses of the office of the State Treasurer for the fiscal year
8	beginning July 1, 1999 and ending June 30, 2000
9	\$ 753,585.00.
10	SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
11	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the special
12	fund entitled Abandoned Property Fund in the State Treasury for
13	the purpose of defraying expenses of the State Treasurer in
14	administering the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property and
15	certain other expenses of the office, for the fiscal year
16	beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000
17	\$ 1,835,775.00.
18	SECTION 3. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
19	Sections 1 and 2, not more than the amounts set forth below shall
20	be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of
21	expenditure:
22	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:
23	Personal Services:
24	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits \$ 1,337,805.00
25	Travel and Subsistence 13,565.00
26	Contractual Services
27	Commodities
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28 Capital Outlay: Other Than Equipment..... 0.00 29 30 Equipment..... 103,475.00 Subsidies, Loans and Grants..... 31 12,000.00 32 Total.....\$ 2,589,360.00 FUNDING: 33 General Funds.....\$ 34 753,585.00 35 Special Funds..... 1,835,775.00 Total.....\$ 2,589,360.00 36 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 37 Full Time. 38 Permanent: 29 39 Part Time. 0 40 Time-Limited: Full Time. 0 41 Part Time. 0 In addition to all other sums herein 42 SECTION 4. appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be 43 44 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State 45 Treasury to the credit of the Education Improvement Trust Fund No. 3219 for the purpose of investing funds for the fiscal year 46 beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000..... 47 48\$ 87,000.00. 49 SECTION 5. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State 50 51 Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Prepaid Affordable 52 College Tuition Administrative Fund to defray the costs of the Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition Program for the 53 fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000..... 54 \$ 2,100,839.00. 55 56 With the funds appropriated in this section, the following 57 positions are authorized: AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 58 59 Full Time 5 Permanent: SECTION 6. In addition to all other sums heretofore 60 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be 61 62 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State 99\SS05\SB3133CR.J *SS05/SB3133CR.J*

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63 Treasury to the credit of the Health Care Expendable Fund, created 64 under House Bill No. 519, 1999 Regular Session, for the purpose of 65 defraying the expenses of the Office of the State Treasurer for 66 the period beginning upon passage and ending June 30, 2000..... 67\$ 25,000.00.

With the funds appropriated in this section, the followingpositions are authorized:

77 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

83 (a) The components of the Variable Compensation Plan
84 shall be maintained within the constraints of the funds
85 appropriated herein.

(b) Funds are provided to adjust the Variable
Compensation Plan, including realignment, to ensure that all
full-time employees with at least six (6) months of continuous
current service, as of June 30, 1999, receive an increase of One
Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00). Funds are provided to
adjust critical job classes up to an additional One Thousand
Dollars (\$1,000.00).

93 (c) If an employee is currently at or above the end 94 salary for his or her job classification, then the increase shall 95 be built into the employee's base salary. To be eligible for any 96 increase authorized in this section, employees may not have a 97 current performance rating below "meets expectations" as of the 98 effective date of the increase. Employees who subsequently 99 receive a performance rating of "meets expectations" or above 100 during Fiscal Year 2000 shall receive the salary increase 101 effective the date of the rating.

102 It is the agency's responsibility to make certain that funds 103 required to be appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal 104 Year 2001 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2000 funds appropriated for 105 that purpose unless programs or positions are added to the 106 agency's budget by the Mississippi Legislature.

107 SECTION 9. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 108 State Treasurer is hereby authorized to accept, budget and expend an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars 109 (\$500,000.00) from administrative fees charged for the 110 111 administration of the Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College 112 Tuition Program and deposited in the Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition Administrative Fund. Such funds shall 113 114 be escalated in accordance with the rules and regulations of the 115 Department of Finance and Administration in a manner consistent with the escalation of federal funds. 116

117 SECTION 10. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 118 State Treasurer is hereby authorized to accept, budget and expend 119 funds for the purpose of defraying the cost of administering the Mississippi Prepaid Affordable College Tuition Program in an 120 121 amount not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) 122 which become available from interest earnings on any funds authorized for administration of said program. Such funds shall 123 be escalated in accordance with the rules and regulations of the 124 125 Department of Finance and Administration in a manner consistent 126 with the escalation of federal funds.

127 SECTION 11. In addition to all other sums herein 128 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be 129 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State 130 Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Prepaid Affordable 131 College Tuition Trust Fund for the purpose of paying all amounts 132 due for prepaid tuition contracts of the Mississippi Prepaid 133Affordable College Tuition Program, for the fiscal year beginning134July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000..... \$ 1,000,000.00.

135 SECTION 12. No part of the funds appropriated herein shall be used in the payment of attorney's fees, nor shall any of said 136 137 funds be used either directly or indirectly, for the purpose of paying any clerk, stenographer, assistant, deputy or other person 138 139 who may be related by blood or marriage within the third degree, 140 computed by the rules of the civil law, to the official employing or having the right of employment or selection thereof; and in the 141 142 event of any such payment, then the official or person approving and making or receiving such payment shall be jointly and 143 severally liable to return to the State of Mississippi and to pay 144 145 into the State Treasury three (3) times any such amount so paid or received, to be recovered at suit of the Attorney General; 146 147 provided that when the relationship is by affinity and the person through whom the relationship was established is dead, this 148 149 provision shall not apply.

150 SECTION 13. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions 151 of Sections 1 and 2, and authorized for expenditure in Section 3, 152 funds in the amount of Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Dollars 153 (\$14,100.00) are included to defray the annualized costs of agency 154 specific realignments or reallocations for three (3) positions 155 within the State Treasurer's Office.

The realignments or reallocations referenced within this section are applicable only to the State Treasurer's Office and said salary adjustments shall not be construed to apply to any other positions under the purview of the State Personnel Board.

SECTION 14. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of Section 5, funds in the amount of One Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$1,900.00) are included to defray the annualized cost of an agency specific realignment or reallocation for one (1) position within the State Treasurer's Office.

165 The realignment or reallocation referenced within this 166 section are applicable only to the State Treasurer's Office and 167 said salary adjustment shall not be construed to apply to any 168 other positions under the purview of the State Personnel Board.

SECTION 15. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by 169 170 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon 171 172 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal 173 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law. 174 175 SECTION 16. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1999, except for Section 6 which shall take 176 177 effect and be in force upon passage.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE 2 STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE FOR FISCAL YEARS 1999 AND 2000.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE:

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