

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. 3151: Appropriation; IHL - MSU -Cooperative Extension Service.

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:

5 SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
6 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
7 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the support and
8 maintenance of the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service for
9 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999 and ending June 30, 2000
10 \$ 22,585,523.00.

11 SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
12 necessary, is hereby authorized for expenditure out of any special
13 source funds which are collected by or otherwise become available
14 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Mississippi
15 Cooperative Extension Service for the fiscal year beginning
16 July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.....
17 \$ 14,062,779.00.

18 SECTION 3. No general funds authorized to be expended herein
19 shall be used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds
20 which are being used for salaries authorized under the provisions
21 of this act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

22 SECTION 4. It is the intention of the Legislature that the
23 Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service provide programs in the
24 emphasis areas of Agriculture, Home Economics, 4-H, and Community
25 Resource Development in each county.

26 SECTION 5. No part of the funds appropriated or authorized
27 to be expended hereby shall be spent directly or indirectly for

28 payment of attorneys' fees for the services of any attorney who
29 was not employed by the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service
30 pursuant to the express authorization of the Board of Trustees of
31 Institutions of Higher Learning prior to performance of such legal
32 services.

33 SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that the
34 agency's budget request for fiscal year 2001 shall be submitted to
35 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of
36 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided
37 during the fiscal year 2000 budget request process.

38 SECTION 7. It is the intent of the Legislature that if the
39 funds appropriated in Section 1 of this act are used directly or
40 indirectly to match or otherwise secure any federal grants,
41 research grants or donations, such special source funds not
42 classified as current restricted funds shall be added and
43 accounted for under Section 2 of this act. Further, it is the
44 intention of the Legislature that all such aforementioned special
45 source funds be included in all reports and requests for the 2000
46 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature.

47 SECTION 8. Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, the
48 following amounts shall be derived from the Education Enhancement
49 Fund as follows:

50 (a) One Million Two Hundred Thirty-six Thousand Nine Hundred
51 Forty-three Dollars (\$1,236,943.00) shall be derived
52 from funds deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and
53 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

54 (b) Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-
55 two Dollars (\$290,572.00) shall be derived from funds
56 deposited pursuant to Section 27-103-203(1),
57 Mississippi Code of 1972.

58 SECTION 9. In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance
59 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of
60 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
61 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
62 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,

63 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted
64 performance measures provided below:

65 <u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>FY2000 Target</u>
66 Agriculture and Natural Resources	
67 Published Information (Items)	4,563
68 Mass Media Exposure (Items)	7,975
69 Group Meeting (Meetings)	5,185
70 Volunteers Trained (Persons)	69
71 Education Contacts (Persons)	905,000
72 Family and Consumer Education	
73 Published Information (Items)	2,856
74 Educational Contacts (Persons)	713,000
75 Cost per Educational Contract (\$)	6.57
76 Enterprise and Community Resource Development	
77 Educational Contacts (Persons)	185,000
78 Cost per Educational Contract (\$)	7.01
79 4-H Youth Development	
80 Educational Contacts (Persons)	650,000
81 Cost per Educational Contract (\$)	8.45

82 A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets
83 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the
84 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget
85 Committee for Fiscal Year 2001.

86 SECTION 10. It is the intention of the Legislature that of
87 the funds appropriated in Section 1, Seventy-five Thousand Dollars
88 (\$75,000.00) shall be allocated to the Delta Branch Research and
89 Extension Station for a Cotton Specialist and the related
90 supportive costs.

91 SECTION 11. It is the intention of the Legislature that of
92 the funds appropriated in Section 1 and authorized for expenditure
93 in Section 2, Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) shall be
94 allocated to defray the costs of the Northeast Mississippi Swine
95 Demonstration Unit located at the Pontotoc Branch Experiment
96 Station.

97 SECTION 12. It is the intention of the Legislature that of

98 the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act, an
99 Extension Beef Specialist position shall be funded.

100 SECTION 13. It is the intention of the Legislature that of
101 the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act, an Area
102 Aquaculture Agent for East Central Mississippi shall be funded.

103 SECTION 14. It is the intention of the Legislature that of
104 the funds authorized for expenditures in Section 2, One Hundred
105 Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) shall be allocated to defray
106 the costs of the Extension Youth Livestock Program at Mississippi
107 State University.

108 SECTION 15. It is the intention of the Legislature that of
109 the funds appropriated in Section 1, Two Hundred Fifty Thousand
110 Dollars (\$250,000.00) shall be allocated to defray the costs of
111 operating the Crosby Arboretum.

112 SECTION 16. Should revenues generated and deposited to the
113 Education Enhancement Fund pursuant to Section 27-103-203(1),
114 Mississippi Code of 1972, fall below funds appropriated herein
115 from said source, the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of
116 Higher Learning shall notify the Department of Finance and
117 Administration as to which allotments shall be reduced to insure
118 that expenditures do not exceed actual revenues.

119 SECTION 17. In addition to all other funds heretofore
120 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
121 necessary, is hereby allocated out of any money deposited in the
122 State Treasury from the Mississippi Tobacco Pilot Program as
123 authorized in the case Mike Moore Attorney General ex rel. State
124 of Mississippi v. The American Tobacco Company et al. (Chancery
125 Court of Jackson County, Mississippi, Cause No. 94-1429) to the
126 Mississippi State University Cooperative Extension Service for the
127 fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.....
128 \$ 900,000.00.

129 SECTION 18. It is the intention of the Legislature that of
130 the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act, the
131 amount of Four Hundred Seventy-seven Thousand Dollars
132 (\$477,000.00) shall be allocated to defray the cost of the Grow

133 Green Program. Funds for this program shall be allocated to fund
134 a Turf Specialist and an Area Horticulture Specialist.

135 SECTION 19. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions
136 of Section 1, One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) shall be
137 allocated to defray the costs of a Production Economist at the
138 Delta Research and Extension Center at Stoneville, Mississippi.

139 SECTION 20. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
140 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
141 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
142 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
143 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
144 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

145 SECTION 21. This act shall take effect and be in force from
146 and after July 1, 1999.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE:

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