

## 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. 417: Elections; March 1 filing deadline for municipal candidates.

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 after line 45 by inserting the following as new Sections 2 and 3 and by renumbering succeeding sections:

SECTION 2. Each municipality which is a party to the lawsuit City of Amory, et al v. Mississippi State Tax Commission et al, No. 251-99-001127 Civ, shall on the minutes of such municipality by resolution of the governing authorities therein make a finding within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this section as to whether such municipality will continue its participation as a party in the lawsuit. The clerk of each municipality that makes such a finding shall send a certified copy of such finding to the Clerk of the House and the Secretary of the Senate.

SECTION 3. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or any part of this act is declared to be unconstitutional or void, or if for any reason is declared to be invalid or of no effect, the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, phrases or parts thereof shall be in no manner affected thereby but shall remain in full force and effect.

AMEND FURTHER on line 47 by inserting the following after the word "submit": "Section 1 of"

AMEND FURTHER on line 53 by inserting the following after the period: "Section 1 of"

AMEND FURTHER on line 55 by inserting the following after the period: "Sections 2 and 3 of this act shall take effect and be in

force from and after its passage."

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

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Thomas U. Reynolds

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