

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

MR. SPEAKER AND MADAM PRESIDENT:

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

H. B. No. 1600: Appropriation; Insurance Department.

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
6 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in any special
7 fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi
8 Department of Insurance which is comprised of special source
9 funds collected by or otherwise available to the department, for
10 the purpose of defraying the expenses of the department for the
11 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2002....
12 \$ 6,914,176.00.

13 SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions

14 of Section 1 not more than the amounts set forth below shall be
15 expended for the respective major objects or purposes of
16 expenditure:

17 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

18 Personal Services:

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|----|------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 19 | Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits . \$ | 4,510,122.00 |
| 20 | Travel and Subsistence..... | 326,277.00 |
| 21 | Contractual Services..... | 1,602,077.00 |
| 22 | Commodities..... | 237,300.00 |
| 23 | Capital Outlay: | |
| 24 | Other Than Equipment..... | 0.00 |
| 25 | Equipment..... | 238,400.00 |
| 26 | Subsidies, Loans and Grants..... | <u>0.00</u> |
| 27 | Total..... \$ | 6,914,176.00 |

28 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

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| 29 | Permanent: | Full Time | 110 |
| 30 | | Part Time | 0 |
| 31 | Time-Limited: | Full Time | 0 |

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Part Time 0

6 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of the Legislature
7 that it shall be the agency's responsibility to make certain that funds
8 required to be appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal Year 2003 do
9 not exceed Fiscal Year 2002 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless
10 programs or positions are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2003 budget
11 by the Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the Legislative
12 Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall determine and publish the
13 projected annual cost to fully fund all appropriated positions in compliance
14 with the provisions of this act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency
15 head to insure that no single personnel action increases this projected
16 annual cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2002 appropriation for "Personal
17 Services" when annualized. If, at the end of any calendar month, the State
18 Personnel Board determines that the agency has taken action(s) which
19 would cause the agency to exceed this projected annual cost or the Fiscal
20 Year 2002 "Personal Services" appropriated level, when annualized, then
21 only those actions which reduce the projected annual cost and/or the
22 appropriation requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board
23 until such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

24 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with the
25 terms, conditions and procedures established by law.

26 No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be used to
27 replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are being used for
28 salaries authorized under the provisions of this act and which are withdrawn
29 and no longer available.

30 SECTION 3. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of

31 Section 1, and authorized for expenditure in Section 2, Twenty-two
32 Thousand Two Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$22,216.00) is provided for the
33 Mississippi Fire Personnel Minimum Standards and Certification Board.

34 SECTION 4. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
35 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the special fund in
36 the State Treasury to the credit of the Rural Fire Truck Acquisition Fund to
37 the Mississippi Department of Insurance for the Rural Fire Truck Acquisition
38 Assistance Program for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and ending
39 June 30, 2002. \$ 3,426,307.00.

40 SECTION 5. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
41 Section 4, Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$650,000.00) shall be
42 derived from the Budget Contingency Fund created in Senate Bill No. 2680,
43 2001 Regular Session.

44 SECTION 6. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
45 Section 1 and authorized for expenditure in Section 2, funds in the amount
46 of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) are provided and shall be expended
47 to pay the annual dues for the National Conference of Insurance
48 Legislators.

49 SECTION 7. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by the
50 State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the
51 proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon warrants issued by the
52 State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrants
53 upon requisitions signed by the

54 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

55 SECTION 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after

56 July 1, 2001.

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

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Charlie Capps, Jr.

Jack Gordon

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Percy W. Watson

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Mike Eakes

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