

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. 1606: Appropriation; Arts Commission.

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 the State
7 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of
8 defraying the expenses of the Mississippi Arts Commission for the
9 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2002....
10 \$ 1,496,932.00.

11 SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
12 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the special
13 fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Arts

14 Commission which is comprised of special source funds and
15 donations collected by or otherwise available to the commission,
16 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the commission for
17 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2002
18 \$ 1,169,445.00.

19 SECTION 3. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions
20 of Section 1 and Section 2, not more than the amounts set forth
21 below shall be expended for the respective major objects or
22 purposes of expenditure:

23 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

24 Personal Services:

25	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits . \$	544,589.00
26	Travel and Subsistence.....	9,000.00
27	Contractual Services.....	171,420.00
28	Commodities.....	52,900.00
29	Capital Outlay:	
30	Other Than Equipment.....	0.00
31	Equipment.....	3,930.00
32	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....	<u>1,884,538.00</u>
33	Total..... \$	2,666,377.00

34 FUNDING:

35 General Funds..... \$ 1,496,932.00

36 Special Funds..... 1,169,445.00

37 Total..... \$ 2,666,377.00

38 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

39 Permanent: Full Time 11

40 Part Time 0

41 Time-Limited: Full Time 1

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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 4. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of

31 Section 2, funds in the amount of Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars
32 (\$450,000.00) shall be derived from the Education Enhancement Fund
33 pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, for
34 the following:

35 Training of educators and promotion
36 of arts programs in public schools . . . \$100,000.00
37 Miscellaneous grants and programs \$350,000.00

38 SECTION 5. It is the intention of the Legislature that the Arts
39 Commission shall have the authority to transfer dollars appropriated in the
40 major object of expenditure "Subsidies, Loans and Grants," designated for
41 the "Challenge Program," specific amounts to a special fund in the State
42 Treasury called the Arts Commission Challenge Initiative Fund. The
43 unexpended amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall
44 not lapse into the State General Fund and may be expended by the
45 commission in subsequent fiscal years upon appropriation of the
46 Legislature. Any interest earned on the fund shall be deposited to the credit
47 of the fund and may be disbursed by the commission upon appropriations of
48 the Legislature. It is the intention of the Legislature that the commission
49 may award grants to arts organizations from monies in the fund and the
50 grantees will be required to provide matching funds for the grants in an
51 amount of not less than two (2) times the amount of the grant.

52 SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that the Mississippi
53 Arts Commission shall have the authority to escalate its budget and expend
54 funds from any source available not to exceed Two Hundred Thousand
55 Dollars (\$200,000.00), that may become available to the Commission in
56 accordance with the rules and regulations of the Department of Finance and
57 Administration in a manner consistent with the escalation of federal funds.

58 SECTION 7. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
59 Section 2, Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) shall be
60 derived from the Budget Contingency Fund created in Senate Bill No. 2680,
61 2001 Regular Session.

62 SECTION 8. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by the
63 State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the
64 proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon warrants issued by the
65 State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrants
66 upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers, in the
67 manner provided by law.

68 SECTION 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after
69 July 1, 2001.

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

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Charlie Capps, Jr.

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