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. 1613: Appropriation; Mississippi Authority for Educational Television.

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 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State б 7 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Mississippi Authority for 8 9 Educational Television for the fiscal year beginning 10 July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2002..... \$ 6,296,275.00. 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

14	Authority for Educational Television which is comprised of
15	special source funds collected by or otherwise available to the
16	Authority, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
17	Authority for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and ending
18	June 30, 2002
19	\$ 5,583,489.00.
20	SECTION 3. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions
21	of Section 1 and Section 2, not more than the amounts set forth
22	below shall be expended for the respective major objects or
23	purposes of expenditure:
24	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:
25	Personal Services:
26	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits. \$ 5,073,171.00
27	Travel and Subsistence 117,000.00
28	Contractual Services 4,836,084.00
29	Commodities
30	Capital Outlay:
31	Other Than Equipment 0.00
32	Equipment 1,225,772.00
33	Subsidies, Loans and Grants 200.00
34	Total\$ 11,879,764.00

36	General Funds.	•••••	\$	6,296,275.00
37	Special Funds.		····· _	5,583,489.00
38	Total	•••••	\$	11,879,764.00
39	AUTHORIZED POSITI	ONS:		
40	Permanent:	Full Time	135	
41		Part Time	1	
42	Time-Limited:	Full Time	13	
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Part Time 0

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

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

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

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Funds appropriated herein shall first be used for the continuation of a

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31 full and complete broadcast schedule of educational and instructional,

professional growth, and public service programs, with the production of
 new films and programs to be secondary thereto.

SECTION 4. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
 Section 2, One Million Six Hundred Forty-four Thousand Sixty-seven Dollars
 (\$1,644,067.00) shall be derived from the Education Enhancement Fund
 deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75 and 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of
 1972.

SECTION 5. No part of the funds appropriated herein shall be transferred to, expended by, or used, directly or indirectly, for the benefit of any public relations, publicity or publication activities of any other state agency, department or officer, nor shall any personnel paid or equipment purchased with funds appropriated hereby be transferred or assigned to any other state agency, department or officer for public relations, publicity or publication activities of such office.

SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that the Mississippi Authority for Educational Television shall have the authority to expend funds in the Capital Equipment Replacement Revolving Fund, in accordance with Section 37-63-17, Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated, for the purpose of purchasing technical equipment for operating the educational radio and television facilities.

52 SECTION 7. It is the intention of the Legislature that the Mississippi 53 Authority for Educational Television shall have the authority to escalate its 54 budget and expend funds from any source not to exceed Two Million Dollars 55 (\$2,000,000.00) in accordance with rules and regulations of the Department 56 of Finance and Administration in a manner consistent with the escalation of 57 federal funds.

SECTION 8. In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance Budget 58 and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of the Legislature that 59 the funds provided herein shall be utilized in the most efficient and effective 60 manner possible to achieve the intended mission of this agency. Based on 61 the funding authorized, this agency shall make every effort to attain the 62 targeted performance measures provided below: 63

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65	Performance Measures	Target
66	Educational Services	
67	Educators Trained (IVN and On-Site)	6,200
68	Student IVN Courses	210
69	Enrolled IVN Students	5,000
70	Printed Items Distributed (Actions)	36,000
71	Instructional TV Cost per Student (Cents)	0.46
72	Television Programming	
73	Broadcast Hours Produced (Actions)	176
74	Production Cost (Per Hour)	10,087
75	Broadcast Hours Purchased (Actions)	6,560
76	Program Purchase Cost (Per Hour)	206
77	Radio Programming	
78	PRM Produced Features (Actions)	92
79	Remote Concerts Recorded (Actions)	14
80	Radio Reading of MS Receivers (Persons)	0
81	Engineering Maintenance	
82	Equipment Evaluation Inquiries (Actions)	90
83	Satellite Maintenance Calls (Actions)	120
84	Statewide Field Strength Measurements	175

85 Support Services

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A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee for Fiscal Year 2003.

Video Teleconferences (Actions)

SECTION 9. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by 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 warrants issued by the
State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrants
upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers, in the
manner provided by law.

97 SECTION 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after98 July 1, 2001.

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

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Charlie Capps, Jr.	Jack Gordon
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