REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

MADAM PRESIDENT AND MR. SPEAKER:

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

- S. B. No. 3112: Appropriation; Veterinary Diagnostic Lab. Bd.
 - 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:

- 4 SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
- 5 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
- 6 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of
- 7 defraying the expenses of the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory
- 8 Board, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and ending
- 9 June 30, 2002.....\$ 990,602.00.
- 10 SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
- 11 necessary, is hereby authorized for expenditure out of any
- 12 special source funds which are collected by or otherwise become

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- 13 available for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
- 14 Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory Board, for the fiscal year
- 15 beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2002\$ 760,435.00.
- 16 SECTION 3. With the funds appropriated under the provisions
- 17 of Sections 1 and 2, the following positions are authorized:
- 18 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

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20 Part Time 0

21 Time-Limited: Full Time 0

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

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.

SECTION 4. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of

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Section 2, Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) shall be
derived from the Budget Contingency Fund created in Senate Bill No. 2680,
Regular Session of 2001.

SECTION 5. 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.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2001.

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