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. 1781: Appropriation; Real Estate Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board.

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:

6	SECTION 1. The following sum, or so much thereo	of as may be
7	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in	the State
8	Treasury to the credit of the Real Estate Appraisal L	icense Fund,
9	for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Miss	sissippi Real
10	Estate Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board fo	or the fiscal
11	year beginning July 1, 2002, and ending June 30, 2003	
12	\$	341,283.00.
13	SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the	provisions of
14	Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below	shall be
15	expended for the respective major objects or purposes	s of
16	expenditure:	
17	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:	
18	Personal Services:	
19	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits \$	167,571.00
20	Travel and Subsistence	30,000.00
21	Contractual Services	116,412.00
22	Commodities	23,800.00
23	Capital Outlay:	
24	Other Than Equipment	0.00
25	Equipment	3,500.00
26	Subsidies, Loans and Grants	0.00
27	Total\$	341,283.00

28 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

29	Permanent:	Full Time	4
30		Part Time	0
31	Time-Limited:	Full Time	0
32		Part Time	0

Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase equal to fifty percent (50%) of the realignment component of the Variable Compensation Plan or Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00),

37 whichever is greater, beginning on January 1, 2003.

None of the funds appropriated by Section 1 of this act may 38 be expended by the Mississippi Real Estate Appraiser Licensing and 39 Certification Board until the board has adopted and implemented a 40 rule or regulation providing that applicants for a license as a 41 42 licensed real estate appraiser who have successfully completed the 43 educational requirements and passed the examination will receive a 44 license and be able to practice as a real estate appraiser without having to obtain a minimum number of hours of appraisal experience 45 before taking the examination or before licensure. 46

With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of 47 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to 48 49 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal Year 2004 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2003 50 51 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs, positions or pay increases are added to the agency's budget by the Mississippi 52 Legislature. Based on data provided by the Legislative Budget 53 54 Office, the State Personnel Board shall, on July 1, 2002, publish separate annual projection reports, based on July 1, 2002 data, 55 56 for the period of July 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002, and January 1, 2003 through June 30, 2003, that project the annual 57 cost to fully fund all appropriated positions in compliance with 58 59 the provisions of this act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to ensure that no single personnel action increases 60 this projected cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2003 appropriation for 61 "Personal Services," as annualized on a semi-annual basis in 62 accordance with the provisions of this act. If, at the end of any 63

64 calendar month, the State Personnel Board determines that the 65 agency has taken action(s) which would cause the agency to exceed this projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2003 "Personal 66 Services" appropriated level, when annualized in compliance with 67 the provisions of this act, then only those actions which reduce 68 the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation requirement 69 will be processed by the State Personnel Board until such time as 70 the requirements of this provision are met. 71

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 3. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by 78 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the 79 80 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 81 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the 82 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law. 83 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from 84 85 and after July 1, 2002.

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