

## 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. 1799: Appropriation; expenses of Legislature, monthly expense, Legislative Budget Office, PEER Committee.

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:

12           **SECTION 1.** The following sums, or so much thereof as may be  
13 necessary, are hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
14 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying  
15 salaries, mileage, insurance, matching funds and the daily expense  
16 allowance of the members of the Legislature for the Regular  
17 Session of 2002 and providing contingent funds for the House of  
18 Representatives and Senate for the fiscal year beginning  
19 July 1, 2002, and ending June 30, 2003, as follows:

20           For salaries, mileage, insurance,  
21                     matching funds and daily  
22                     expense allowance of members  
23                     of the House of Representatives..... \$3,024,016.00

24           For Contingent Fund for the  
25                     House of Representatives..... \$4,206,253.00

26           Out of the above amount appropriated for the Contingent Fund  
27 for the House of Representatives, not more than Fifteen Thousand  
28 Dollars (\$15,000.00) shall be expended for defraying the expenses  
29 of and for the use of the members of the Mississippi Commission on  
30 Interstate Cooperation, as created under Section 5-5-1 et seq.,  
31 Mississippi Code of 1972.

32           For salaries, mileage, insurance,  
33                     matching funds and daily

34 expense allowance of members  
 35 of the Senate..... \$1,305,269.00  
 36 For Contingent Fund for the Senate..... \$3,415,322.00  
 37 Out of the above amount appropriated for the Contingent Fund  
 38 for the Senate, not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00)  
 39 shall be expended for defraying the expenses of and for the use of  
 40 the members of the Mississippi Commission on Interstate  
 41 Cooperation, as created under Section 5-5-1 et seq., Mississippi  
 42 Code of 1972.  
 43 For the joint legislative operations of the House of  
 44 Representatives and the Senate..... \$1,335,964.00  
 45 For the expenses of the Joint Legislative  
 46 Budget Committee..... \$2,282,481.00  
 47 For the expenses of the Joint Legislative  
 48 Committee on Performance Evaluation  
 49 and Expenditure Review..... \$1,904,407.00  
 50 For the expenses of the Joint Legislative  
 51 Reapportionment Committee..... \$ 380,733.00  
 52 For the expenses of the Joint Committee on  
 53 Compilation, Revision and Publication of  
 54 Legislation..... \$ 300,000.00  
 55 The Joint Legislative Reapportionment Committee shall  
 56 prepare, publish and provide semiannual reports to each member of  
 57 the Legislature and such reports shall provide a line-by-line  
 58 detailed accounting of all receipts and expenditures of any and  
 59 all monies appropriated by the Legislature to the Joint  
 60 Legislative Reapportionment Committee. Any meetings of the Joint  
 61 Legislative Reapportionment Committee shall be held in state  
 62 offices or at publicly owned facilities.  
 63 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
 64 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
 65 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying  
 66 the monthly expense allowance of the members of the Legislature,  
 67 as provided in Section 5-1-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the  
 68 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002 and ending June 30, 2003  
 69 ..... \$ 3,271,113.00.

70           **SECTION 3.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
71 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
72 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying  
73 the state's share of various assessments for the fiscal year  
74 beginning July 1, 2002, and ending June 30, 2003.....  
75 ..... \$ 300,174.00.

76           Of the funds authorized in this section, the following  
77 distribution shall be made:

78           Southern States Energy Board.....\$ 28,725.00  
79           Southern Growth Policies Agreement....\$ 24,045.00  
80           Interstate Cooperation.....\$ 190,229.00  
81           National Conference of Commissioners  
82               on Uniform State Laws.....\$ 28,847.00  
83           The Energy Council.....\$ 24,698.00

84           **SECTION 4.** The Legislature shall have the authority to  
85 escalate its budget and expend funds from the Legislative  
86 Extraordinary Session Expense Revolving Fund, as authorized in  
87 Section 5-1-57, Mississippi Code of 1972, in accordance with rules  
88 and regulations of the Department of Finance and Administration in  
89 a manner consistent with the escalation of federal funds. The  
90 authority granted in this section is provided for the purpose of  
91 paying the expenses of the members of the Legislature incurred  
92 during any Extraordinary Session of the Legislature occurring  
93 during the period beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30,  
94 2003.

95           **SECTION 5.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
96 necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State  
97 General Fund to the credit of the Joint Legislative  
98 Reapportionment Committee, pursuant to House Bill No. 1607,  
99 Regular Session of 2001, for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
100 2002, and ending June 30, 2003..... \$ 30,000.00.

101           **SECTION 6.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
102 necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State  
103 General Fund to the credit of the Joint Legislative Budget  
104 Committee, pursuant to House Bill No. 1607, Regular Session of  
105 2001, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002, and ending June

106 30, 2003..... \$ 200,000.00.

107 **SECTION 7.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
108 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
109 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
110 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
111 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
112 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

113 **SECTION 8.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
114 and after July 1, 2002, with the exception of Section 4 which  
115 shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

**X** \_\_\_\_\_

Charlie Capps, Jr.

**X** \_\_\_\_\_

Jack Gordon

**X** \_\_\_\_\_

George Flaggs, Jr.

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Ron Farris

**X** \_\_\_\_\_

Billy Bowles

**X** \_\_\_\_\_

Dean Kirby