

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. 1806: Appropriation; Library 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 support and
8 maintenance of the Mississippi Library Commission and for carrying
9 out the provisions of Section 39-3-107, Mississippi Code of 1972,
10 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002, and ending
11 June 30, 2003..... \$ 10,336,551.00.

12 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
13 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the special
14 fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi
15 Library Commission which is comprised of special source funds
16 collected by or otherwise available to the commission, for the
17 purpose of defraying the expenses of the commission for the fiscal
18 year beginning July 1, 2002, and ending June 30, 2003.....
19 \$ 2,989,290.00.

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

24 **MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:**
25 Personal Services:
26 Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. \$ 2,116,739.00

27	Travel and Subsistence.....		26,000.00
28	Contractual Services.....		1,796,026.00
29	Commodities.....		303,950.00
30	Capital Outlay:		
31	Other Than Equipment.....		0.00
32	Equipment.....		5,000.00
33	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....		<u>9,078,126.00</u>
34	Total.....	\$	13,325,841.00
35	FUNDING:		
36	General Funds.....	\$	10,336,551.00
37	Special Funds.....		<u>2,989,290.00</u>
38	Total.....	\$	13,325,841.00

39 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

40	Permanent:	Full Time	56
41		Part Time	0
42	Time-Limited:	Full Time	0
43		Part Time	0

44 Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation
45 Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase
46 equal to fifty percent (50%) of the realignment component of the
47 Variable Compensation Plan or Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00),
48 whichever is greater, beginning on January 1, 2003.

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

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

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

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

80 Funds to be distributed to eligible public library systems
81 under the Personnel Incentive Grants Program shall be paid
82 quarterly in advance on or before September 30, December 31, March
83 31 and June 30.

84 **SECTION 4.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
85 Section 2, Four Hundred Ninety-three Thousand Eight Hundred
86 Forty-seven Dollars (\$493,847.00) shall be derived from the
87 Education Enhancement Fund deposited pursuant to Sections 27-65-75
88 and 27-67-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

89 **SECTION 5.** In compliance with the "Mississippi Performance
90 Budget and Strategic Planning Act of 1994," it is the intent of
91 the Legislature that the funds provided herein shall be utilized
92 in the most efficient and effective manner possible to achieve the
93 intended mission of this agency. Based on the funding authorized,
94 this agency shall make every effort to attain the targeted
95 performance measures provided below:

	FY2003
<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>Target</u>
96	
97 Administrative Services	
98	

99	Average Cost of Administering per Grant (percent)	150
100	Executive Director's Office	
101	Public Libraries Visited (Actions)	50
102	Library Aid	
103	Grants Provided (Number of Grants)	150
104	Network Services	
105	Increase Network Availability to Users (percent)	99
106	Public Services	
107	Circulation/Reference Material (Actions)	170,000
108	MAGNOLIA Database Searches (Number Queries)	6,500,000

109 A reporting of the degree to which the performance targets
110 set above have been or are being achieved shall be provided in the
111 agency's budget request submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget
112 Committee for Fiscal Year 2004.

113 **SECTION 6.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
114 Mississippi Library Commission shall have the authority to
115 escalate its budget and expend funds from any source not to exceed
116 Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000.00) in accordance with rules and
117 regulations of the Department of Finance and Administration in a
118 manner consistent with the escalation of federal funds.

119 **SECTION 7.** Of the funds appropriated herein, not less than
120 One Million Eighty-six Thousand Three Hundred Forty Dollars
121 (\$1,086,340.00) shall be expended for the Magnolia Database.

122 **SECTION 8.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
123 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
124 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
125 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
126 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
127 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

128 **SECTION 9.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
129 and after July 1, 2002.

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

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Charlie Capps, Jr.

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CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

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