

**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. 3121: Appropriation; Jr. Colleges - Admin.

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:

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 purpose of  
8 defraying the administrative expenses of the State Board for  
9 Community and Junior Colleges for the fiscal year beginning  
10 July 1, 2004, and ending June 30, 2005..... \$       5,482,498.00.

11       **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
12 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
13 Treasury to the credit of the State Board for Community and Junior  
14 Colleges, for the purpose of defraying the administrative expenses  
15 of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the  
16 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, and ending June 30, 2005.....  
17 ..... \$       53,875,859.00.

18       **SECTION 3.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
19 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
20 Treasury to the credit of the Commission on Proprietary School and  
21 College Registration, for the purpose of defraying the expenses  
22 incurred in the regulation and administration of the Mississippi  
23 Proprietary School and College Registration Law and the associated  
24 expenses of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for  
25 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, and ending June 30, 2005  
26 ..... \$       60,000.00.

27           **SECTION 4.** With the funds appropriated under the provisions  
28 of Sections 1, 2 and 3, the following positions are authorized:

29       AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

30	Permanent:	Full Time .....	41
31		Part Time .....	0
32	Time-Limited:	Full Time .....	1
33		Part Time .....	0

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

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39 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

40           **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
41 budget requests of the administrative expenses of the State Board  
42 for Community and Junior Colleges for Fiscal Year 2006 shall be  
43 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format  
44 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail  
45 provided during the Fiscal Year 2005 budget request process.

46           **SECTION 6.** Of the funds appropriated herein, One Million  
47 Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) shall be expended from the Work Force  
48 Carryover Fund as created by House Bill No. 1271, 1995 Regular  
49 Session.

50           **SECTION 7.** Of the funds appropriated in Sections 1 and 2,  
51 funds in the amount of Twenty-six Million Seven Hundred Six  
52 Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-three Dollars (\$26,706,223.00) are  
53 appropriated for the Workforce Education Program and Industrial  
54 Training. No funding obligation or commitment shall be made on  
55 behalf of the state for industrial training beyond the level of  
56 funding made available in this section. All industrial training  
57 program commitments made in Fiscal Year 2005 and future fiscal  
58 years shall be based only upon funds available in this section and

59 any proposed commitments shall be approved by the Executive  
60 Director of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges, or  
61 the Executive Director's designee prior to such commitment being  
62 finalized. Industrial training program commitments shall be made  
63 and based only upon training services provided and not for a  
64 specific funding amount. Any expenditures of funds authorized in  
65 this section are limited to obligations made July 1, 2004, or  
66 after, and shall not be expended for obligations made prior to  
67 this date.

68       **SECTION 8.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, funds in  
69 the amount of One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars  
70 (\$125,000.00) shall be derived from Community College Network fees  
71 for the purpose of defraying the costs of the Community College  
72 Network and the administrative expenses of the State Board for  
73 Community and Junior Colleges.

74       **SECTION 9.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of  
75 Section 2, funds in the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars  
76 (\$100,000.00) shall be derived from fees charged for issuing  
77 duplicate transcripts and duplicate diplomas for the General  
78 Education Development (GED) Testing Program for the purpose of  
79 defraying the costs of administering the GED Testing Program of  
80 the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges, in accordance  
81 with Senate Bill No. 2626, 2002 Regular Session.

82       **SECTION 10.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions  
83 of Section 2, funds in the amount of Three Hundred Thousand  
84 Dollars (\$300,000.00) shall be derived from fees charged for the  
85 Workforce On-Line Training Program for the purpose of defraying  
86 the costs of administering a Workforce On-Line Training Program  
87 available to individual citizens and employers of the State of  
88 Mississippi and for the administrative expenses of the State Board  
89 for Community and Junior Colleges.

90           **SECTION 11.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the  
91 State Board of Community and Junior Colleges is hereby authorized  
92 to accept, budget and expend funds from any source in an amount  
93 not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in  
94 accordance with rules and regulations of the Department of Finance  
95 and Administration in a manner consistent with the escalation of  
96 federal funds.

97           **SECTION 12.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, funds in  
98 the amount of Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000.00) shall be  
99 derived from the transfer of post-secondary vocational and  
100 technical funds from the Mississippi Department of Education to  
101 the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges for the purpose  
102 of managing the day-to-day operations of post-secondary vocational  
103 and technical education.

104           **SECTION 13.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
105 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the  
106 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon  
107 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal  
108 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the  
109 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

110           **SECTION 14.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
111 and after July 1, 2004.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

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X (SIGNED)  
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