

**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. 3182: Appropriation; Attorney General - Judgments, Settlements, Fees; Additional FY 2004.

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:

8           **SECTION 1.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
 9 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
 10 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Budget  
 11 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code  
 12 of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of the  
 13 Office of the Attorney General for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
 14 2004 .....\$       269,806.00.

15           This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
 16 defraying the costs of certain outside legal assistance, expert  
 17 witness fees and court fees incurred by the Office of the Attorney  
 18 General.

19           **SECTION 2.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
 20 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
 21 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Budget  
 22 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code  
 23 of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying a  
 24 judgment rendered against the State of Mississippi for the fiscal  
 25 year ending June 30, 2004 .....\$       114,004.00.

26           This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
 27 paying a court ordered judgment as required in Civil Action No.  
 28 1:02CV20-B-0, Bertha Earnest vs Mississippi Department of Human

29 Services, the United States District Court, Northern District of  
30 Mississippi.

31       **SECTION 3.** In addition to all other sums herein  
32 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
33 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
34 Treasury to the credit of the Budget Contingency Fund created in  
35 Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the purpose of  
36 paying a settlement against the State of Mississippi for the  
37 fiscal year ending June 30, 2004.....\$     239,570.00

38       This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
39 paying a settlement in Cause No. 2000-CT-00258-SCT; Jimmy B.  
40 Callens vs East Mississippi State Hospital, The Mississippi  
41 Department of Mental Health, Dr. Ramiro J. Martinez and Roger  
42 McMurtry.

43       **SECTION 4.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
44 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
45 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Budget  
46 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code  
47 of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying a  
48 judgment rendered against the State of Mississippi for the fiscal  
49 year ending June 30, 2004 .....\$     22,672.00.

50       This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
51 paying a settlement in Civil Action No. 2:01CV62PG, Stacey Walkers  
52 Cooley vs Harrison County Board of Supervisors, in the United  
53 States District Court, Southern District of Mississippi.

54       **SECTION 5.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
55 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
56 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Budget  
57 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code  
58 of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying a  
59 judgment rendered against the State of Mississippi for the fiscal  
60 year ending June 30, 2004 .....\$     500.00.

61 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
62 paying a settlement in Civil Action No. 3:99CV32-W-S; Sheryl  
63 Bridges vs Mississippi Department of Corrections, et al, in the  
64 United States District Court, Southern District of Mississippi.

65 **SECTION 6.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
66 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
67 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Budget  
68 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code  
69 of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying a  
70 judgment rendered against the State of Mississippi for the fiscal  
71 year ending June 30, 2004 .....\$ 60,000.00.

72 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
73 paying a settlement in Cause No. BC 75-31-S; Mattie T. vs Henry  
74 Johnson in the United States District Court for the Northern  
75 District of Mississippi.

76 **SECTION 7.** In addition to all other sums herein  
77 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
78 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
79 Treasury to the credit of the Office of the Attorney General,  
80 which shall be derived from funds transferred to the Office of the  
81 Attorney General from Fund No. 3112 and Fund No. 3114, at the  
82 discretion of the Secretary of State, for the purpose of paying a  
83 settlement against the State of Mississippi for the fiscal year  
84 ending June 30, 2004.....\$ 1,115,316.00.

85 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
86 paying a settlement in Civil Action No. 1:92CV20-D-D; J. Randolph  
87 Lipscomb, et al vs State of Mississippi, et al, in the United  
88 States District Court, Northern District of Mississippi.

89 **SECTION 8.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
90 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
91 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Budget  
92 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code

93 of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of the  
94 Governor's Office - Division of Medicaid for the fiscal year  
95 ending June 30, 2004.....\$ 3,300,000.00.

96 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
97 continuing the operation of the Governor's Office - Division of  
98 Medicaid for fiscal year 2004.

99 **SECTION 9.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
100 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
101 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State  
102 Treasury to the credit of the Governor's Office - Division of  
103 Medicaid, which is comprised of special source funds collected by  
104 or otherwise available to the division, for the purpose of  
105 defraying the expenses of the division, for the fiscal year ending  
106 June 30, 2004.....\$ 11,048,000.00.

107 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
108 defraying the costs of operation for the Governor's Office -  
109 Division of Medicaid for fiscal year 2004.

110 **SECTION 10.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
111 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
112 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Budget  
113 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code  
114 of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of the  
115 Department of Corrections for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
116 2004.....\$ 19,424,133.00.

117 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
118 continuing the operation of the Department of Corrections for  
119 fiscal year 2004.

120 It is the intent of the Legislature that Six Million Eighty-  
121 five Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-one Dollars (\$6,085,961.00) be  
122 allocated to the University Medical Center as payment for medical  
123 services provided.

124           **SECTION 11.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
125 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
126 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Budget  
127 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code  
128 of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of the  
129 Department of Human Services for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
130 2004 .....\$    12,000,000.00.

131           This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
132 continuing the operation of the Department of Human Services for  
133 fiscal year 2004.

134           **SECTION 12.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
135 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
136 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Budget  
137 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code  
138 of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of the  
139 District Attorneys and Staff for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
140 2004.....\$    1,052,896.00.

141           This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
142 continuing the operation of the District Attorneys and Staff for  
143 fiscal year 2004.

144           **SECTION 13.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
145 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
146 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Budget  
147 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code  
148 of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of the  
149 Governor's Office - Support for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
150 2004 .....\$    158,759.00.

151           This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
152 continuing the operation of the Governor's Office - Support for  
153 fiscal year 2004.

154           **SECTION 14.** In addition to all other sums heretofore  
155 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be

156 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Budget  
157 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code  
158 of 1972, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of the  
159 Governor's Mansion for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004  
160 .....\$ 85,241.00.

161 This additional appropriation is made for the purpose of  
162 continuing the operation of the Governor's Mansion for fiscal year  
163 2004.

164 **SECTION 15.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by  
165 the State Treasurer out of any money in the proper fund or funds  
166 as set forth in this act, upon warrants issued by the State Fiscal  
167 Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrants  
168 upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers  
169 in the manner provided by law.

170 **SECTION 16.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
171 and after its passage.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

X (SIGNED)  
Jack Gordon  
  
X (SIGNED)  
Travis L. Little  
  
X (SIGNED)  
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CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

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