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. 2699: Wild hogs; allow the use of bait to trap when there is no open season on turkey or deer.

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:

- 7 **SECTION 1.** Section 49-7-33, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 8 amended as follows:
- 9 49-7-33. (1) It is unlawful to hunt, trap or kill any wild
- 10 bird or wild animal of any kind with the aid of bait, recordings
- 11 of bird or animal calls, or electrically amplified imitations of
- 12 calls of any kind, except a person:
- 13 (a) May use electrically amplified sound devices for
- 14 hunting coyote and crow:
- (b) May use liquid scents for any animal or bird; and
- (c) May use lures for trapping furbearing animals,
- 17 beaver, coyote, fox and nutria according to regulations adopted by
- 18 the commission.
- 19 (2) The commission, in its discretion, may relax the
- 20 restrictions regarding the use of lures or sound devices if a
- 21 condition arises or exists, as decided by the State Board of
- 22 Health or county board of health, that may endanger persons or
- 23 livestock in a certain community, county or area.
- 24 * * *
- 25 (3) A person may use bait to trap wild hogs as defined in
- 26 Section 49-7-140 during the period between the end of Spring
- 27 turkey season and the beginning of deer season with bow and arrow.

28 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 29 and after July 1, 2005.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-7-33, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ALLOW THE USE OF LURES TO TRAP FURBEARING ANIMALS, BEAVER, COYOTE, FOX AND NUTRIA; TO ALLOW THE USE OF BAIT TO TRAP WILD HOGS WHEN THERE IS NO OPEN HUNTING SEASON FOR TURKEY OR DEER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

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