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. 1144: Mississippi Big Game Intensive Management Facility Act; create.

We, therefore, respectfully submit the following report and recommendation:

- 1. That the Senate recede from its Amendment No. 1.
- That the House and Senate adopt the following amendment: 2.

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- SECTION 1. (1) The Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and 9
- 10 Parks and the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks shall
- 11 have plenary power to regulate all commercial and noncommercial
- wild animal enclosures in order to conserve and protect native 12
- 13 wildlife for all citizens to enjoy and to protect our recreational
- 14 economy dependent on native wildlife resources.
- (2) The Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks shall 15
- regulate any facility that prevents the free ingress and egress of 16
- 17 native or nonnative cervids as the same are defined by the
- commission. The commission may promulgate rules and regulations 18
- 19 requiring the issuance of permits and the payment of a reasonable
- 20 fee therefor. Regulations promulgated under this authority must
- have a majority vote of the commission to be adopted. 21
- 22 (3) This section shall repeal on July 1, 2009.
- SECTION 2. The Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks 23
- shall take inventory of the number, location and size of all wild 2.4
- animal enclosures in the state and the types of animals held or 25
- 26 hunted in such enclosures. The department shall file a report
- 27 with the Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks Committees of the Senate
- 28 and the House of Representatives before January 3, 2007.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from 29 30 and after its passage.

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

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS TO INVENTORY THE NUMBER, LOCATION AND SIZE OF WILD ANIMAL ENCLOSURES AND THE TYPES OF NONNATIVE ANIMALS HELD IN SUCH ENCLOSURES; TO CLARIFY THE DUTIES AND POWERS RELATED TO WILD ANIMAL ENCLOSURES OF THE COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND 5 6 PARKS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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