## **REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

## MR. SPEAKER AND MADAM PRESIDENT:

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We, the undersigned conferees, have had under consideration the amendments to the following entitled BILL:

H. B. No. 1588: Appropriation; Veterans Memorial Stadium 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				
б	necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State				
7	Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Veterans Memorial				
8	Stadium Fund, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the				
9	Mississippi Veterans Memorial Stadium Commission for the fiscal				
10	year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007				
11	\$1,428,294.00.				
12	In addition to the funds appropriated herein, the Mississippi				
13	Veterans Memorial Stadium Commission is hereby authorized to				
14	disburse to participating institutions, agencies or departments				
15	their shares or divisions of gate receipts.				
16	SECTION 2. Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of				
17	Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be				
18	expended for the respective major objects or purposes of				
19	expenditure:				
20	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:				
21	Personal Services:				
22	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits \$ 431,394.00				
23	Travel and Subsistence 4,000.00				
24	Contractual Services				
25	Commodities				
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26 Capital Outlay:

27	Other Tha	n Equipment		0.00	
28	Equipment			39,900.00	
29	Subsidies, Loa	ns and Grants	•••••	3,000.00	
30	Total		···· \$	1,428,294.00	
31	FUNDING:				
32	General Funds.		···· \$	0.00	
33	Special Funds.		•••••	1,428,294.00	
34	Total\$ 1,428,294.00				
35	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:				
36	Permanent:	Full Time	9		
37		Part Time	0		
38	Time-Limited:	Full Time	0		
39		Part Time	0		

Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase equal to the realignment component of the Variable Compensation Plan or Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), whichever is greater, with not more than one-half (1/2) to be awarded on July 1, 2006, with the remainder to be awarded on January 1, 2007.

46 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of 47 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to 48 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal Services" for Fiscal Year 2008 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2007 49 50 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2008 budget by the 51 52 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall 53 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all 54 55 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure 56 57 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual

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cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2007 appropriation for "Personal 58 59 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds. 60 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency 61 62 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2007 "Personal Services" 63 64 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which 65 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until 66 67 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

68 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with 69 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or 70 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written 71 72 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The 73 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written 74 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions 75 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the 76 appropriated level.

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

81 SECTION 3. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 82 Mississippi Veterans Memorial Stadium Commission shall maintain 83 complete accounting and personnel records related to the 84 expenditure of all funds appropriated under this act and that such 85 records shall be in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year 2006. It is further the intention of 86 87 the Legislature that the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2008 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee 88 89 in a format and level of detail comparable to the format and level

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90 of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2007 budget request 91 process.

SECTION 4. It is the intention of the Legislature that 92 93 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the 94 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things 95 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind 96 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to 97 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are 98 99 made without competitive bids.

100 SECTION 5. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the 101 102 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon 103 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal 104 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the 105 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law. 106 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2006. 107

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE X (SIGNED) Stringer

X (SIGNED) Read

(NOT SIGNED) Middleton CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE X (SIGNED) Gordon X (SIGNED) Gollott X (SIGNED)

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