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. 3056: Appropriation; Veterinary Exam. Bd.

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

- 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:

- SECTION 1. That the following sum, or so much thereof as may 5
- be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State 6
- 7 Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi State Board of
- 8 Veterinary Examiners for the purpose of defraying the expenses
- 9 incurred by said board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006,
- and ending June 30, 2007.....\$ 10 112,985.00.
- 11 SECTION 2. Any transfers or escalations shall be made in
- 12 accordance with the terms, conditions, and procedures established
- 13 by law.
- 14 No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be
- 15 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are
- being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this 16
- act and which are withdrawn and no longer available. 17
- SECTION 3. It is the intention of the Legislature that the 18
- Veterinary Examiners Board shall maintain complete accounting and 19
- 20 personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds
- appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the 21
- same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year 22
- 23 2006. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the
- agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2008 shall be submitted to 2.4
- the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of 25

detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided 26

27 during the Fiscal Year 2007 budget request process.

28 SECTION 4. It is the intention of the Legislature that the

29 Mississippi State Board of Veterinary Examiners shall have the

30 authority to escalate its budget and expend funds from any source

31 not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) in

32 accordance with rules and regulations of the Department of Finance

and Administration in a manner consistent with the escalation of

federal funds. 34

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35 SECTION 5. It is the intention of the Legislature that

whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the 36

purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things 37

stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, 38

39 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind

shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to 40

the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are

42 made without competitive bids.

The money herein appropriated shall be paid by 43

44 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the

45 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon

warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal 46

47 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the

proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law. 48

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from 49

50 and after July 1, 2006.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

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