

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. 1666: Appropriation; Yellow Creek State Inland Port Authority.

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
6 necessary, is hereby authorized and approved for expenditure out
7 of any funds which are received by or otherwise become available
8 to the Yellow Creek State Inland Port Authority, for the purpose
9 of defraying the expenses of the Authority for the fiscal year
10 beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....
11 \$ 7,309,582.00.

12 **SECTION 2.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
13 Section 1, not more than the amounts set forth below shall be
14 expended for the respective major objects or purposes of
15 expenditure:

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

Personal Services:

18 Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. \$ 662,032.00
19 Travel and Subsistence..... 23,000.00
20 Contractual Services..... 727,350.00
21 Commodities..... 70,200.00

Capital Outlay:

23 Other Than Equipment..... 3,500,000.00
24 Equipment..... 1,807,000.00
25 Vehicles..... 20,000.00

26	Wireless Communication Devices.....	0.00
27	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....	<u>500,000.00</u>
28	Total.....	\$ 7,309,582.00

29 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

30	Permanent: Full Time.....	15
31	Part Time.....	6
32	Time-Limited: Full Time.....	0
33	Part Time.....	0

34 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
35 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law.

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39 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

40 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
41 Yellow Creek State Inland Port Authority shall maintain complete
42 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all
43 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be
44 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal
45 Year 2007. It is further the intention of the Legislature that
46 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2009 shall be
47 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format
48 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail
49 provided during the Fiscal Year 2008 budget request process.

50 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
51 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
52 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
53 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
54 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
55 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
56 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
57 made without competitive bids.

58 **SECTION 5.** The money herein approved for expenditure shall
59 be disbursed upon bank checks signed by the proper person, officer
60 or officers, in the manner provided by law.

61 **SECTION 6.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
62 and after July 1, 2007.

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

1 AN ACT APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE
2 PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE YELLOW CREEK STATE INLAND
3 PORT AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2008.

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

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