

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. 3140: Appropriation; Fair Comm. - Dixie Natl Livestock Show.

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:

11 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
 12 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
 13 Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi Fair Commission's
 14 special fund account, to the Mississippi Fair Commission for the
 15 purposes of defraying the costs of prizes, premiums, judges and
 16 other actual and necessary costs of putting on the Dixie National
 17 Livestock Show at the State Fairgrounds in Jackson, Mississippi,
 18 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending
 19 June 30, 2008 \$ 954,150.00.

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

24 **MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:**

25 Personal Services:

26 Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. \$ 0.00

27 Travel and Subsistence..... 0.00

28 Contractual Services..... 850,000.00

29 Commodities..... 84,150.00

30 Capital Outlay:

31 Other Than Equipment..... 0.00

32	Equipment.....	0.00
33	Vehicles.....	0.00
34	Wireless Communication Devices.....	0.00
35	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....	<u>20,000.00</u>
36	Total..... \$	954,150.00

37 **SECTION 3.** The following sums, or so much thereof as may be
38 necessary, are hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
39 General Fund, not otherwise appropriated, to the Mississippi Fair
40 Commission as follows:

41 (a) For the support of annual roundup shows for junior
42 exhibitors of junior steers, junior breeding cattle, beef cattle,
43 dairy cattle, hogs, sheep and goats, for the fiscal year beginning
44 July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....
45 \$ 69,720.00.

46 (b) To supplement the funds paid by the Mississippi
47 Fair Commission for livestock premiums at the State Fair, all
48 livestock premiums to be paid on the American system of judging
49 (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, etc.) on all classes entered in the senior
50 division for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending
51 June 30, 2008..... \$ 26,997.00.

52 (c) For the county livestock shows in offering and
53 paying prizes or awards to competitors in the approved county
54 livestock shows of Mississippi, for the fiscal year beginning
55 July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008..... \$ 13,138.00.

56 Provided, however, that of the amount herein appropriated in
57 subsection (c), not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)
58 shall be expended or used in any one county of the state during
59 each fiscal year. Provided, further, that none of the monies
60 herein appropriated in subsection (c) shall be used in offering or
61 paying prizes or awards for any livestock show that is not held
62 where there are adequate barns, pens and other facilities
63 available for such a show.

64 Provided, further, in subsection (c) that the management of
65 such shows shall be in the hands of a county livestock
66 association, and such association shall guarantee a minimum amount
67 of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to be used in the paying of
68 prizes, premiums or awards, and after said county show has been
69 held and premiums paid, fifty percent (50%) of the amount, not
70 exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), shall be paid upon
71 requisition to the Mississippi Fair Commission.

72 Provided, further, in subsection (c) that in any county which
73 has two (2) shows with proper facilities, and a contiguous county
74 has no such fair and desires to participate in a fair to be held
75 in an adjoining county, each of the two (2) fairs in one (1)
76 county may receive an equal proportion of the funds hereby
77 appropriated, provided, both shows shall not receive an aggregate
78 sum of more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

79 (d) For the purpose of offering awards and prizes to
80 competitors in the five (5) district livestock shows, for the
81 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....
82 \$ 71,344.00.

83 (e) For the purpose of offering awards and prizes to
84 competitors in the five (5) state dairy shows as provided in
85 Section 69-5-101 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal
86 year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....
87 \$ 11,659.00.

88 Provided, further, that no part of the money herein
89 appropriated under the provisions of subsections (d) and (e) shall
90 be used for any other purpose than to pay premium awards at said
91 shows and state shows and expositions receiving legislative
92 appropriation shall not conflict in dates in order that livestock
93 exhibitors may make the circuit of shows. Provided, further, that
94 none of the above mentioned funds shall be paid to any district
95 shows unless shows are held prior to roundup.

96 Not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the funds herein
97 appropriated under the provisions of subsections (d) and (e) shall
98 be used in awarding prizes or premiums to 4-H Club members and
99 Smith-Hughes School members and other boys and girls having
100 entries in said shows.

101 All funds herein appropriated under the provisions of
102 subsections (d) and (e) for the five (5) district livestock shows
103 and the five (5) fall state dairy shows shall be distributed in
104 such manner that the livestock exhibitors will each draw equal
105 premium awards for comparable grades and placings at each of the
106 said five (5) district spring shows and the five (5) fall state
107 shows. The management of each district spring show and each state
108 fall show shall submit to the Mississippi Fair Commission, within
109 fifteen (15) days after the close of each said show, a full report
110 on the number of exhibitors at each said show, with the grades and
111 placings of the different classes of livestock exhibited.

112 The Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Fair Commission,
113 together with a committee of three (3) to be named by the
114 President of the Mississippi Livestock Council from that
115 organization, shall summarize and prepare a unified list of awards
116 for like classes in all spring district livestock shows and fall
117 state dairy shows receiving state premium money, as authorized in
118 subsections (d) and (e). The Executive Secretary and Chairman of
119 the Mississippi Fair Commission shall approve and present a
120 requisition to the State Fiscal Officer for the payment of the
121 amount of funds in subsections (d) and (e) due each show and said
122 State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrant thereon, and it shall
123 be paid by the State Treasurer.

124 Provided, however, as a condition of expenditure of the funds
125 appropriated in subsections (d) and (e), that the board of
126 directors of any district livestock show may, in its discretion,
127 choose to hold its show in the fall instead of the spring. If

128 district shows are held in both spring and fall, then all funds
129 herein appropriated for the five (5) district livestock shows
130 shall be distributed in such a manner that the spring livestock
131 exhibitors will each draw equal premium awards for comparable
132 grades and placings at each district spring show, and the fall
133 livestock exhibitors will each draw equal premium awards for
134 comparable grades and placings at each district fall show.

135 (f) For promotion and expenses of the winners of the
136 Mississippi High School Rodeo for attending the national finals,
137 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending
138 June 30, 2008..... \$ 9,899.00.

139 **SECTION 4.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
140 necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury
141 to the credit of the Mississippi Fair Commission, for the fiscal
142 year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....
143 \$ 42,000.00.

144 The above funds shall be allocated as follows:

- 145 (1) For the Mississippi Round Up.....\$ 3,273.00
- 146 (2) For the State Fair Junior Premiums..\$ 3,837.00
- 147 (3) For the County Livestock Shows.....\$ 2,415.00
- 148 (4) For the District Livestock Shows....\$ 3,354.00
- 149 (5) For the State Fall Dairy Shows.....\$ 3,868.00
- 150 (6) For the High School Rodeo.....\$ 3,253.00
- 151 (7) For the Traditional Groom Shows.....\$12,000.00
- 152 (8) NCHA Eastern National Championships.\$10,000.00

153 **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
154 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
155 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
156 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
157 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
158 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to

159 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
160 made without competitive bids.

161 **SECTION 6.** It is legislative intent to ensure beneficial
162 information reaches as many Mississippians as possible. Further,
163 it is legislative intent that the expenditure of public funds for
164 this purpose be accomplished in an efficient and effective manner.

165 Therefore, state agencies as standard procedure, will observe
166 the following criteria:

167 (1) Develop goals and desired result for a campaign.

168 (2) Evaluate effectiveness through respected advertising
169 standards, including market reach and cost effectiveness.

170 (3) Seek public service announcements, which would be aired
171 by media without cost.

172 (4) Itemize and justify professional assistance and related
173 expenses for creative and production costs outside of the actual
174 media expenditures.

175 (5) Utilize Mississippi owned media companies when feasible.

176 **SECTION 7.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
177 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
178 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
179 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
180 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
181 proper person, officer or officers in the manner provided by law.

182 **SECTION 8.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
183 and after July 1, 2007.

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

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE MISSISSIPPI FAIR
2 COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE DIXIE
3 NATIONAL LIVESTOCK SHOW; A ROUNDUP FOR JUNIOR EXHIBITORS OF
4 LIVESTOCK AND GOATS; SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS FOR LIVESTOCK PREMIUMS;
5 COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOWS IN OFFERING AND PAYING PRIZES OR AWARDS TO
6 COMPETITORS IN APPROVED COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOWS; THE FIVE DISTRICT

7 LIVESTOCK SHOWS; THE FIVE STATE DAIRY SHOWS; THE MISSISSIPPI HIGH
8 SCHOOL RODEO; AND TO PROVIDE HOW SAID MONEY SHALL BE PAID OUT OF
9 THE STATE TREASURY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

X (SIGNED)
Gordon

X (SIGNED)
Jackson (32nd)

X (SIGNED)
Hyde-Smith

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

X (SIGNED)
Stringer

X (SIGNED)
Eaton

X (SIGNED)
Gibbs