

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. 3142: Appropriation; Tenn-Tom Waterway Develop. Dist.

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:

5 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
6 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
7 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the
8 Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway Development Authority for the
9 purposes enumerated in Section 51-27-1, Mississippi Code of 1972,
10 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending
11 June 30, 2008..... \$ 134,189.00.

12 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
13 necessary, is hereby authorized for expenditure out of any special
14 source funds which are collected by or otherwise become available
15 for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
16 Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway Development Authority for the fiscal
17 year beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008.....
18 \$ 197,897.00.

19 **SECTION 3.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
20 Sections 1 and 2, the following positions are authorized:

21 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

22	Permanent:	Full Time.....	2
23		Part Time.....	1
24	Time-Limited:	Full Time.....	0
25		Part Time.....	0

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

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31 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

32 **SECTION 4.** It shall be unlawful for any officer, employee or
33 other person whatsoever to use or permit or authorize the use of
34 any automobile or any other motor vehicle owned by the State of
35 Mississippi or any department, agency or institution thereof for
36 any purpose other than upon the official business of the State of
37 Mississippi or any agency, department or institution thereof.

38 It is the intent of the Legislature that motor vehicles
39 authorized to be owned and operated by this agency shall comply
40 with Sections 25-1-77 through 25-1-93, Mississippi Code of 1972.

41 **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
42 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
43 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
44 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
45 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
46 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
47 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
48 made without competitive bids.

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

53 Therefore, state agencies as standard procedure, will observe
54 the following criteria:

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

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

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

60 (4) Itemize and justify professional assistance and related
61 expenses for creative and production costs outside of the actual
62 media expenditures.

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

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

70 **SECTION 8.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
71 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 TENNESSEE-TOMBIGBEE
2 WATERWAY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE PURPOSES ENUMERATED IN
3 SECTION 51-27-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

X (SIGNED)
Gordon

X (SIGNED)
Stringer

X (SIGNED)
Posey

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Broomfield

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Jackson (15th)

X (SIGNED)
Gibbs