

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. 1795: Appropriation; Department of Human Services-Consolidated.

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:

4 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
5 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
6 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, to the Department of
7 Human Services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002, and
8 ending June 30, 2003..... \$ 74,679,689.00.

9 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
10 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in any special
11 fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the Department of
12 Human Services which is comprised of special source funds
13 collected by or otherwise available to the department for the
14 support of the various divisions of the department, for the
15 purpose of defraying the expenses of the department for the fiscal
16 year beginning July 1, 2002, and ending June 30, 2003.....
17 \$ 329,957,711.00.

18 **SECTION 3.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
19 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
20 Treasury to the credit of the Health Care Expendable Fund, for the
21 purpose of defraying the expenses of the Department of Human
22 Services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002, and ending
23 June 30, 2003..... \$ 250,000.00.

The above funds shall be allocated as follows:

25 Aging and Adult Services - Home

26 Delivered Meals.....\$ 250,000.00

27 **SECTION 4.** None of the funds appropriated by this act shall
28 be expended for any purpose that is not actually required or
29 necessary for performing any of the powers or duties of the
30 Department of Human Services that are authorized by the
31 Mississippi Constitution of 1890, state or federal law, or rules
32 or regulations that implement state or federal law.

33 **SECTION 5.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
34 Sections 1 and 2, not more than the amounts set forth below shall
35 be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of
36 expenditure:

37 DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES

38 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

39 Personal Services:

40	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. \$	17,729,422.00
41	Travel and Subsistence.....	156,053.00
42	Contractual Services.....	1,705,050.00
43	Commodities.....	1,575,983.00
44	Capital Outlay:	
45	Other Than Equipment.....	0.00
46	Equipment.....	79,440.00
47	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....	<u>1,229,562.00</u>
48	Total..... \$	22,475,510.00

49 FUNDING:

50	General Funds..... \$	14,908,794.00
51	Special Funds.....	<u>7,566,716.00</u>
52	Total..... \$	22,475,510.00

53 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

54	Permanent:	Full Time	700
55		Part Time	8
56	Time-Limited:	Full Time	13
57		Part Time	0

58 Any person within the Office of Youth Services classified as
59 Youth Services Counselor Aide I, Youth Services Counselor Aide II,
60 Youth Services Counselor Aide III, Security Officer I, Security
61 Officer II, Security Officer III, Recreation Supervisor, General

62 Services Employee I, General Services Employee II, Youth Services
 63 Counselor I, Youth Services Counselor II, and Youth Services
 64 Counselor III, who must work on a statutory holiday or any holiday
 65 proclaimed by the Governor, may at the discretion of the
 66 superintendents of the institutions and the Executive Director of
 67 the Office of Youth Services and within available personnel funds,
 68 be paid "call back pay" in lieu of "compensatory time credit."

69 It is the intent of the Legislature that the Office of Youth
 70 Services shall have the authority to accept from any source
 71 including, but not limited to, proceeds from sale of vehicles,
 72 equipment or any other property which becomes obsolete or is no
 73 longer needed. It is the intent that such funds will be approved
 74 for allocation and expenditure in a manner consistent with the
 75 rules and regulations of the Department of Finance and
 76 Administration.

77 DIVISION OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES

78 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

79 Personal Services:

80	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. \$	24,335,779.00
81	Travel and Subsistence.....	1,193,584.00
82	Contractual Services.....	13,222,252.00
83	Commodities.....	510,675.00
84	Capital Outlay:	
85	Other Than Equipment.....	0.00
86	Equipment.....	803,071.00
87	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....	<u>31,358,346.00</u>
88	Total..... \$	71,423,707.00

89 FUNDING:

90	General Funds..... \$	10,632,136.00
91	Special Funds.....	<u>60,791,571.00</u>
92	Total..... \$	71,423,707.00

93 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

94	Permanent:	Full Time	625
95		Part Time	0
96	Time-Limited:	Full Time	196
97		Part Time	0

98 DIVISION OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES

99 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

100 Personal Services:

101	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits..	\$	526,034.00
102	Travel and Subsistence.....		31,000.00
103	Contractual Services.....		133,567.00
104	Commodities.....		30,000.00
105	Capital Outlay:		
106	Other Than Equipment.....		0.00
107	Equipment.....		9,350.00
108	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....		<u>18,525,625.00</u>
109	Total.....	\$	19,255,576.00

110 FUNDING:

111	General Funds.....	\$	443,321.00
112	Special Funds.....		<u>18,812,255.00</u>
113	Total.....	\$	19,255,576.00

114 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

115	Permanent:	Full Time	7
116		Part Time	0
117	Time-Limited:	Full Time	6
118		Part Time	0

119 Of the funds appropriated herein, Seven Million Six Hundred
120 Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$7,650,000.00) is provided for the Home
121 Delivered Meals Program.

122 DIVISION OF ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE/TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE

123 FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF)

124 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

125 Personal Services:

126	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits..	\$	50,117,319.00
127	Travel and Subsistence.....		698,500.00
128	Contractual Services.....		28,846,669.00
129	Commodities.....		889,565.00
130	Capital Outlay:		
131	Other Than Equipment.....		0.00
132	Equipment.....		2,381,553.00
133	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....		<u>69,330,893.00</u>

134 Total..... \$ 152,264,499.00

135 FUNDING:

136 General Funds..... \$ 38,177,873.00

137 Special Funds..... 114,086,626.00

138 Total..... \$ 152,264,499.00

139 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

140 Permanent: Full Time 1,516

141 Part Time 0

142 Time-Limited: Full Time 218

143 Part Time 3

144 DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

145 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

146 Personal Services:

147 Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. \$ 18,433,435.00

148 Travel and Subsistence..... 200,419.00

149 Contractual Services..... 7,101,288.00

150 Commodities..... 231,165.00

151 Capital Outlay:

152 Other Than Equipment..... 0.00

153 Equipment..... 266,750.00

154 Subsidies, Loans and Grants..... 8,405,855.00

155 Total..... \$ 34,638,912.00

156 FUNDING:

157 General Funds..... \$ 4,285,255.00

158 Special Funds..... 30,353,657.00

159 Total..... \$ 34,638,912.00

160 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

161 Permanent: Full Time 326

162 Part Time 0

163 Time-Limited: Full Time 236

164 Part Time 0

165 DIVISION OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

166 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

167 Personal Services:

168 Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. \$ 503,455.00

169 Travel and Subsistence..... 27,422.00

170	Contractual Services.....	315,461.00
171	Commodities.....	30,000.00
172	Capital Outlay:	
173	Other Than Equipment.....	0.00
174	Equipment.....	7,000.00
175	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....	<u>16,357,783.00</u>
176	Total.....	\$ 17,241,121.00

177 FUNDING:

178	General Funds.....	\$ 0.00
179	Special Funds.....	<u>17,241,121.00</u>
180	Total.....	\$ 17,241,121.00

181 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

182	Permanent:	Full Time	9
183		Part Time	0
184	Time-Limited:	Full Time	3
185		Part Time	0

186 DIVISION OF SUPPORT SERVICES

187 MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:

188 Personal Services:

189	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits..	\$ 8,941,522.00
190	Travel and Subsistence.....	109,674.00
191	Contractual Services.....	2,315,231.00
192	Commodities.....	251,890.00
193	Capital Outlay:	
194	Other Than Equipment.....	0.00
195	Equipment.....	130,522.00
196	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....	<u>55,763.00</u>
197	Total.....	\$ 11,804,602.00

198 FUNDING:

199	General Funds.....	\$ 3,323,655.00
200	Special Funds.....	<u>8,480,947.00</u>
201	Total.....	\$ 11,804,602.00

202 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

203	Permanent:	Full Time	189
204		Part Time	0
205	Time-Limited:	Full Time	26

206	Part Time	0	
207	SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM		
208	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:		
209	Personal Services:		
210	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits..	\$	140,333.00
211	Travel and Subsistence.....		5,000.00
212	Contractual Services.....		172,375.00
213	Commodities.....		4,700.00
214	Capital Outlay:		
215	Other Than Equipment.....		0.00
216	Equipment.....		5,000.00
217	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....	<u></u>	<u>25,483,891.00</u>
218	Total.....	\$	25,811,299.00

219	FUNDING:		
220	General Funds.....	\$	0.00
221	Special Funds.....	<u></u>	<u>25,811,299.00</u>
222	Total.....	\$	25,811,299.00

223	AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:		
224	Permanent:	Full Time	1
225		Part Time	0
226	Time-Limited:	Full Time	2
227		Part Time	0

228 Of the funds authorized herein to be expended from the
229 Subsidies, Loans and Grants Major Object of Expenditure of the
230 Social Services Block Grant Program, a minimum of Two Million
231 Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) shall be allocated to the Office of Youth
232 Services to be used in the Community Services Program.

233 OFFICE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

234	MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:		
235	Personal Services:		
236	Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits..	\$	746,685.00
237	Travel and Subsistence.....		25,000.00
238	Contractual Services.....		800,000.00
239	Commodities.....		125,000.00
240	Capital Outlay:		
241	Other Than Equipment.....		0.00

242 Equipment..... 500,000.00
 243 Subsidies, Loans and Grants..... 47,775,489.00
 244 Total..... \$ 49,972,174.00

245 FUNDING:

246 General Funds..... \$ 2,908,655.00
 247 Special Funds..... 47,063,519.00
 248 Total..... \$ 49,972,174.00

249 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

250 Permanent: Full Time 10
 251 Part Time 0
 252 Time-Limited: Full Time 7
 253 Part Time 0

254 Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation
 255 Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase
 256 equal to fifty percent (50%) of the realignment component of the
 257 Variable Compensation Plan or Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00),
 258 whichever is greater, beginning on January 1, 2003.

259 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of
 260 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to
 261 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal
 262 Services" for Fiscal Year 2004 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2003
 263 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs, positions or
 264 pay increases are added to the agency's budget by the Mississippi
 265 Legislature. Based on data provided by the Legislative Budget
 266 Office, the State Personnel Board shall, on July 1, 2002, publish
 267 separate annual projection reports, based on July 1, 2002 data,
 268 for the period of July 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002, and
 269 January 1, 2003 through June 30, 2003, that project the annual
 270 cost to fully fund all appropriated positions in compliance with
 271 the provisions of this act. It shall be the responsibility of the
 272 agency head to ensure that no single personnel action increases
 273 this projected cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2003 appropriation for
 274 "Personal Services," as annualized on a semi-annual basis in
 275 accordance with the provisions of this act. If, at the end of any
 276 calendar month, the State Personnel Board determines that the
 277 agency has taken action(s) which would cause the agency to exceed

278 this projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2003 "Personal
279 Services" appropriated level, when annualized in compliance with
280 the provisions of this act, then only those actions which reduce
281 the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation requirement
282 will be processed by the State Personnel Board until such time as
283 the requirements of this provision are met.

284 It is the intention of the Legislature that the Executive
285 Director of the Department of Human Services may transfer between
286 the various divisions authorized herein both funds and positions
287 not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the receiving division
288 consistent with the provisions of Section 1 of this act.

289 Provided, however, that no county office positions shall be
290 transferred to any regional office or to the state office. The
291 Executive Director of the Department of Human Services shall
292 submit written justification for the transfer to the Legislative
293 Budget Office and the Department of Finance and Administration on
294 or before the fifteenth of the month prior to the effective date
295 of the transfer. It is further the intention of the Legislature
296 that any transfers made under the provisions of this paragraph
297 shall be of an emergency nature and that in no case shall the
298 transfers be made which substantially alter the legislative intent
299 for the various divisions or offices as set forth in the original
300 appropriations made under this act.

301 Any transfers within major object of expenditure within each
302 specific budget or escalations shall be made in accordance with
303 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law.

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

308 Unless expressly authorized herein by the Legislature, no
309 funds appropriated to be expended for travel and subsistence shall
310 be expended to pay expenses incurred by more than six (6)
311 employees or other representatives of the agency for attending the
312 same out-of-state conference, seminar or workshop; however, such
313 funds may be expended for expenses incurred by more than six (6)

314 employees or other representatives for attendance at the same
315 conference, seminar or workshop (a) if attendance is required in
316 order to maintain professional certification or licensure, which
317 certification or licensure is required by the employees' job
318 descriptions or by law, or (b) if such expenditure has received
319 the prior written approval of the Department of Finance and
320 Administration.

321 **SECTION 6.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, Two
322 Million Eighty-six Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-three Dollars
323 (\$2,086,683.00) is provided for the support of a contract with the
324 State Board of Community and Junior Colleges Industrial Training
325 Program for the training of TANF clients.

326 These funds shall be transferred to the State Board of
327 Community and Junior Colleges Industrial Training budget and shall
328 be expended in accordance with Sections 37-31-103 through
329 37-31-111, Mississippi Code of 1972. Training will be conducted
330 in the areas outlined in Section 37-31-103(2) for TANF recipients.

331 The terms and provisions for program operation will be
332 established through a nonfinancial agreement between the State
333 Board of Community and Junior Colleges and the Mississippi
334 Department of Human Services. This nonfinancial agreement will be
335 initiated by the State Board of Community and Junior Colleges in
336 accordance with current laws, rules and regulations as approved by
337 the State Board of Community and Junior Colleges.

338 Identification, eligibility, certification, enrollment,
339 follow-up, performance standards and sanction liabilities of the
340 TANF clients will be the sole responsibility of the Department of
341 Human Services.

342 **SECTION 7.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
343 Executive Director of the Department of Human Services shall make
344 a complete report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee and
345 the Department of Finance and Administration no later than October
346 15, 2002, concerning the distribution of the funds provided in the
347 Social Services Block Grant. This report shall contain data from
348 the two (2) previous fiscal years for comparison purposes. The
349 two (2) previous fiscal years along with new distribution of funds

350 shall be presented side by side with a column showing the
351 differences between the previous fiscal year and the new
352 distribution of funds.

353 **SECTION 8.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
354 Sections 1 and 2, and authorized for expenditure in Section 5, the
355 amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) is
356 provided for the support of the Jackson State University -
357 Continuing Education Learning Center.

358 **SECTION 9.** None of the funds appropriated under the
359 provisions of Sections 1 and 2 shall be used to pay any contractor
360 that is not a successful bidder for genetic paternity testing
361 services bid by the Department of Human Services.

362 **SECTION 10.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, One
363 Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) shall be transferred to the
364 Department of Health, Child Care Licensure Program from the Child
365 Care Development Fund or other appropriate special fund. These
366 funds are to be transferred to the Board of Health no later than
367 July 31, 2002. The Department of Health shall make a complete
368 accounting to the Department of Human Services detailing the uses
369 of these funds in accordance with federal and state regulations.

370 **SECTION 11.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
371 Department of Human Services contract with the Department of
372 Health to operate the School Nurse Teen Pregnancy Prevention Pilot
373 Program as described in House Bill No. 766 of the 1997 Legislative
374 Session, in compliance with all applicable TANF federal and state
375 regulations.

376 **SECTION 12.** It is the intent of the Legislature that the
377 Department of Human Services have authority to escalate the
378 various budgets only in the major objects of Contractual Services
379 and Subsidies and only with the approval of the State Fiscal
380 Officer, from special funds collected or available from the TANF
381 (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) Grant, in the current or
382 any prior fiscal year, not to exceed Seventy-one Million Dollars
383 (\$71,000,000.00). Upon such approval, the Department of Human
384 Services may expend such funds in the manner authorized by law.

385 The Executive Director of the Department of Human Services

386 shall submit to the Department of Finance and Administration a
387 certified statement providing a detailed explanation for any
388 escalation and an assessment of the impact on the agency's General
389 Fund budget for the three (3) fiscal years following the fiscal
390 year in which the escalation is requested. A copy of this
391 submission shall be sent to the Legislative Budget Office.

392 **SECTION 13.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, Two
393 Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) of TANF
394 (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) federal funds shall be
395 transferred to the Office of the Attorney General for the purpose
396 of subgranting with entities which will develop and implement
397 programs that serve unmet needs of "at risk" youth in the state.
398 The Attorney General shall administer the transferred TANF funds.

399 **SECTION 14.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, an
400 amount not to exceed One Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars
401 (\$1,600,000.00) of TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)
402 federal funds shall be made available through a grant(s) or
403 contract(s) to the State Coalition of the YMCA (Young Men's
404 Christian Association) for the purpose of developing and
405 implementing statewide programs that serve the unmet needs of
406 youth by way of Adolescent Offenders programs and Teen Leadership
407 Programs for the state to be administered by the Statewide
408 Coalition of the YMCA. These funds shall be administered in
409 compliance with all applicable state and federal regulations.

410 **SECTION 15.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2 and
411 allocated in Section 5, Three Hundred Thousand Dollars
412 (\$300,000.00) shall be used to defray the cost of the Amer-I-Can
413 Program as established in House Bill No. 1109, 2001 Regular
414 Session.

415 **SECTION 16.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions
416 of Section 2, Two Hundred Nineteen Thousand One Hundred Seventy-
417 two Dollars (\$219,172.00) shall be derived from the Budget
418 Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301, Mississippi Code
419 of 1972.

420 **SECTION 17.** None of the above funds shall be used to hire
421 employees under Personal Service Contracts except for Personal

422 Service Contracts for the Office for Children and Youth - Child
423 Care and Office for Children and Youth - Child Care Managers.

424 **SECTION 18.** In addition to all other sums heretofore
425 appropriated, the following sum, or so much thereof as may be
426 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
427 Treasury to the credit of the Department of Human Services,
428 Division of Family and Childrens Services, an amount not to exceed
429 Twenty-six Million Dollars (\$26,000,000.00) of TANF (Temporary
430 Assistance for Needy Families) and Twelve Million Dollars
431 (\$12,000,000.00) of SSBG (Social Services Block Grant) funds is
432 appropriated in the following amounts for the following purposes:

433 Family Preservation Services (TANF Funds)....\$ 5,000,000.00
434 to fund existing positions as established in House Bill No. 1625
435 of the 2001 Regular Session.

436 Families First Resource Centers, continued
437 funding (TANF Funds).....\$ 8,000,000.00

438 Homemakers and Family Preservation
439 Specialists positions, continued funding
440 (TANF Funds).....\$ 5,000,000.00

441 Care of foster children temporarily placed in the custody of
442 MDHS:

443 Emergency shelters (TANF Funds).....\$ 2,000,000.00
444 Residential care (TANF Funds).....\$ 6,000,000.00

445 Social Services Block Grant
446 Continued funding of on-going programs
447 (SSBG Funds).....\$12,000,000.00

448 **SECTION 19.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
449 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
450 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
451 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
452 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
453 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

454 **SECTION 20.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
455 and after July 1, 2002.

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

X _____

Charlie Capps, Jr.

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Bobby Moody

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Frank Hamilton

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

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Jack Gordon

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Johnnie E. Walls, Jr.