

**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. 2930: Appropriation; Gaming Commission.

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, for the purpose of  
8 defraying the expenses of the Mississippi Gaming Commission, for  
9 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, and ending  
10 June 30, 2004..... \$           3,653,007.00.

11           **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be  
12 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the special  
13 funds in the State Treasury to the credit of the Mississippi  
14 Gaming Commission which are collected by or otherwise become  
15 available for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the  
16 Commission for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, and ending  
17 June 30, 2004..... \$           7,429,214.00.

18           **SECTION 3.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of  
19 Section 1 and Section 2, not more than the amounts set forth below  
20 shall be expended for the respective major objects or purposes of  
21 expenditure:

**MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE:**

22           Personal Services:

23                 Salaries, Wages and Fringe Benefits.. \$           7,362,037.00

24                 Travel and Subsistence.....                   645,858.00

25                 Contractual Services.....                       2,741,445.00

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27 Commodities..... 146,981.00  
 28 Capital Outlay:  
 29 Other Than Equipment..... 0.00  
 30 Equipment..... 85,600.00  
 31 Subsidies, Loans and Grants..... 100,300.00  
 32 Total..... \$ 11,082,221.00

33 FUNDING:

34 General Funds..... \$ 3,653,007.00  
 35 Special Funds..... 7,429,214.00  
 36 Total..... \$ 11,082,221.00

37 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

38 Permanent: Full Time 166  
 39 Part Time 0  
 40 Time-Limited: Full Time 0  
 41 Part Time 0

42 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of  
 43 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to  
 44 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal  
 45 Services" for Fiscal Year 2005 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2004  
 46 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions  
 47 are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2005 budget by the  
 48 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the  
 49 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall  
 50 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all  
 51 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this  
 52 act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure  
 53 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual  
 54 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2004 appropriation for "Personal  
 55 Services" when annualized. If, at the end of any calendar month,  
 56 the State Personnel Board determines that the agency has taken  
 57 action(s) which would cause the agency to exceed this projected  
 58 annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2004 "Personal Services"  
 59 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which  
 60 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation  
 61 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until  
 62 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

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

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

69 **SECTION 4.** Of the funds appropriated in Section 2, One  
70 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) is hereby authorized to be  
71 transferred to the Mississippi Council on Compulsive Gambling, a  
72 nonprofit organization.

73 **SECTION 5.** In addition to all other positions heretofore  
74 authorized for the Mississippi Gaming Commission for Fiscal Year  
75 2003, Five (5) additional Permanent Full Time positions are hereby  
76 authorized to support the gaming laboratory for the period  
77 beginning upon passage of this act and through June 30, 2003.

78 **SECTION 6.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of  
79 Section 2, Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) shall be derived  
80 from the Budget Contingency Fund created in Section 27-103-301,  
81 Mississippi Code of 1972.

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

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89 **SECTION 8.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
90 and after July 1, 2003, except for section 5 which shall take  
91 effect and be in force from and after its passage.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

**X** \_\_\_\_\_

Jack Gordon

**X** \_\_\_\_\_

Bob M. Dearing

**X** \_\_\_\_\_

Tommy A. Gollott

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

**X** \_\_\_\_\_

Charlie Capps, Jr.

**X** \_\_\_\_\_

George Flaggs, Jr.

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Walter L. Robinson, Jr.