

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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MR. SPEAKER AND MADAM PRESIDENT:

We, the undersigned conferees, have had under consideration the amendments to the following entitled BILL:

H. B. No. 1622: Appropriation; Board of Agricultural Aviation.

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 appropriated out of any money in the special
7 fund in the State Treasury to the credit of the State Board of
8 Agricultural Aviation, for the purpose of defraying the expenses
9 of the board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, and
10 ending June 30, 2006 \$ 163,305.00.

11 **SECTION 2.** With the funds appropriated under the provisions
12 of Section 1, the following positions are authorized:

13 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

14	Permanent: Full Time	2
15	Part Time	0
16	Time-Limited: Full Time	0
17	Part Time	0

18 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of
19 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to
20 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal
21 Services" for Fiscal Year 2007 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2006
22 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions
23 are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2007 budget by the
24 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the
25 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall
26 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all

27 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this
28 act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure
29 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual
30 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2006 appropriation for "Personal
31 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds.
32 If, at the time the agency takes any action to change "Personal
33 Services," the State Personnel Board determines that the agency
34 has taken an action which would cause the agency to exceed this
35 projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year 2006 "Personal Services"
36 appropriated level, when annualized, then only those actions which
37 reduce the projected annual cost and/or the appropriation
38 requirement will be processed by the State Personnel Board until
39 such time as the requirements of this provision are met.

40 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
41 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
42 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
43 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
44 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The
45 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
46 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
47 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the
48 appropriated level.

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

53 The agency shall not take any action to promote or otherwise
54 award salary increases through reallocation, reclassification,
55 realignment, education benchmark, career ladder, or any other
56 means to increase salaries of employees or positions, except for
57 the award of teacher pay increases.

58 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
59 State Board of Agricultural Aviation shall maintain complete
60 accounting and personnel records related to the expenditure of all
61 funds appropriated under this act and that such records shall be
62 in the same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal
63 Year 2005. It is further the intention of the Legislature that
64 the agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2007 shall be
65 submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format
66 and level of detail comparable to the format and level of detail
67 provided during the Fiscal Year 2006 budget request process.

68 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
69 State Board of Agricultural Aviation is hereby authorized to
70 accept, budget and expend funds from donations, grants and any
71 special source funds in accordance with rules and regulations of
72 the Department of Finance and Administration in a manner
73 consistent with the escalation of federal funds.

74 **SECTION 5.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
75 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
76 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
77 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
78 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
79 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

80 **SECTION 6.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
81 and after July 1, 2005.

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

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Stringer

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Miles

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

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