

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

MR. PRESIDENT AND MR. SPEAKER:

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

S. B. No. 3055: Appropriation; Governor's Office and Mansion.

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:

6 **SECTION 1.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
7 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State
8 General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for expenses of the
9 Executive Department, being the Governor's Office and staff, and
10 for expenses incidental to the proper operation of the Governor's
11 Mansion and residence of the Governor for the fiscal year
12 beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025.....
13\$ 3,191,450.00.

14 **SECTION 2.** The following sum, or so much thereof as may be
15 necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in Special
16 Funds in the State Treasury to the credit of the Governor's Office
17 for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred by the
18 Executive Department, being the Governor's Office and staff, for
19 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025



20\$ 637,391.00.

21 **SECTION 3.** Of the funds appropriated under the provisions of
22 Sections 1 and 2 of this act, the following positions are
23 authorized:

24 AUTHORIZED HEADCOUNT:

25 Permanent: 39

26 Time-Limited: 7

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

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32 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

33 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
34 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the
35 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
36 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
37 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
38 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
39 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
40 made without competitive bids.

41 **SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
42 Executive Department shall maintain complete accounting and
43 personnel records related to the expenditure of all funds
44 appropriated under this act and that such records shall be in the



45 same format and level of detail as maintained for Fiscal Year
46 2024. It is further the intention of the Legislature that the
47 agency's budget request for Fiscal Year 2026 shall be submitted to
48 the Joint Legislative Budget Committee in a format and level of
49 detail comparable to the format and level of detail provided
50 during the Fiscal Year 2025 budget request process.

51 **SECTION 6.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
52 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
53 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
54 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
55 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
56 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

57 **SECTION 7.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
58 and after July 1, 2024.

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

1 AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EXPENSES OF THE EXECUTIVE
2 DEPARTMENT, BEING THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AND STAFF, AND FOR
3 EXPENSES INCIDENTAL TO THE PROPER OPERATION OF THE GOVERNOR'S
4 MANSION AND RESIDENCE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025.

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

X (SIGNED)
Hopson

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Mims

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Polk

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Read

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Simmons (13th)

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