

July 10, 2000

Senator Travis Little
Mississippi State Senate
New Capitol Building
Jackson, MS 39201

Dear Senator Little:

We have compiled a listing of the out-of-state trips that Governor Musgrove and Lt. Governor Tuck have taken from January to June 2000. During the absence of both the Governor and Lt. Governor the President Pro Tempore is the acting Governor. Please compare the following dates with your schedule and confirm that you were in state during this time.

5/9-5/10 7:30pm (5/9) - 3:00pm (5/10) 19.5 hours

The acting Governor receives the difference between his salary and the Governor's salary. Below is the formula that has been previously used to calculate an hourly rate for the President Pro Tempore as acting Governor.

$24 \text{ hours/day} \times 366 \text{ days/year} = 8784 \text{ hours/year}$

Governor's salary	=	\$101,800
President Pro Tempore's salary	=	<u>\$ 15,000</u>
Difference	=	\$ 86,800

$\$86,800 \text{ difference} / 8784 \text{ hours} = \9.88 per hour

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 359-3161. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

John O. Gilbert
Director of Administration