

February 1, 2000

Senator Tommy Gollott
Mississippi State Senate
New Capitol Building
Jackson, MS 39201

Dear Senator Gollott:

Please find enclosed a check covering the hours you served as Governor from January 1999 through December 1999. As you know, the acting Governor receives the difference between his salary and the Governor's. Below is the formula I used to calculate an hourly rate for acting Governor:

24 hours/day X 365 days/year = 8760 hours/year

Governor's salary	=	\$83,160
President Pro Tempore's salary	=	<u>\$15,000</u>
Difference	=	\$68,160

Pay rate for President Pro Tem serving as Governor
 $\$68,160 / 8760 \text{ hours} = \$7.78/\text{hour}$

The records show that you served as acting Governor for a total of 101 hours during 1999. We calculated your gross salary amount as follows:

101 hours X \$7.78/hour = \$785.78

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 359-2961.

Sincerely,

Erich Howard
Deputy Director of Administration