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**MISSISSIPPI STATE PERSONNEL BOARD APPROVES DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION, BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY REDUCTIONS-IN-FORCE**

Jackson, Miss. (October 16, 2014) – The Mississippi State Personnel Board today approved requests from the Mississippi Department of Transportation and Mississippi State Board of Public Accountancy for reductions-in-force. The Department of Transportation reduction-in-force affects 44 filled positions, and the Board of Accountancy reduction-in-force affects one filled position.

According to the Mississippi Department of Transportation, this action is necessary due to a shortage of work and a material change in duties. The reduction-in-force affects all right of way agents and officers in the appraisal section, all right of way agents in the title section, and all right of way agents in the acquisition section.

According to the Mississippi State Board of Public Accountancy, this action is necessary due to a shortage of work and a material change in duties. The reduction-in-force affects the Board's systems administrator II.

"The Mississippi State Personnel Board evaluated the requests from the Department of Transportation and the Board of Public Accountancy and determined that the agencies followed the proper policies and procedures for implementing their reductions-in-force based on shortage of work and material change in duties," said Deanne Mosley, Executive Director of the Mississippi State Personnel Board.

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