# REDUCTION OF VIERECKIA AND TWO SPECIES OF CHROMOLAENA TO EUPATORIUM (ASTERACEAE)

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In a forthcoming treatment of the Asteraceae for Mexico (Turner & Nesom, in prep.) we intend to maintain the large genus Eupatorium so as to include Chromolaena DC. The latter genus was accepted by King and Robinson (1970) and subsequently they described the two new species which are reduced to Eupatorium here. In addition, King and Robinson described a monotypic genus Viereckia which I feel is close to the Chromolaena grouping and, as such, is also reduced.

EUPATORIUM TAMAULIPASENSE. (King & H. Rob.) B. Turner, comb. nov.,

Based upon <u>Viereckia</u> tamaulipasensis King & H. Rob., Phytologia 31:118.1975.

This species was originally described as the only member of the genus <u>Viereckia</u> and was thought to have close relationships with <u>Critonia</u>. I would suggest a relationship with the <u>Chromolaena</u> assemblage (sensu King and H. Robinson, 1970), close to <u>C. bigelovii</u> (A. Gray) King & H. Rob.; indeed it is difficult to separate from the latter by any substantial character.

EUPATORIUM BREEDLOVEI (King & H. Rob.) B. Turner, comb. nov.

Based upon Chromolaena breedlovei King & H. Rob., Phytologia 47:233.1980.

EUPATORIUM LUNDELLII (King & H. Rob.) B. Turner, comb. nov.

Based upon Chromolaena lundellii King & H. Rob., Wrightia 6:23.1978.

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