

Suspending limitations on conference committee  
jurisdiction, S.B. No. 1952 (Ellis/Swinford)

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H.R. No. 1772

R E S O L U T I O N

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the State of  
2 Texas, 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, That House Rule 13,  
3 Section 9(a), be suspended in part as provided by House Rule 13,  
4 Section 9(f), to enable the conference committee appointed to  
5 resolve the differences on Senate Bill 1952, relating to the  
6 reorganization of, efficiency in, and other reform measures  
7 applying to state government, to consider and take action on the  
8 following matter:

9 (1) House Rule 13, Sections 9(a)(3) and (4), are suspended  
10 to permit the committee to add new text to Section 521.142(a),  
11 Transportation Code, so that the subsection reads as follows:

12 (a) An application for an original license must state the  
13 applicant's full name and place and date of birth. This information  
14 must be verified by presentation of proof of identity satisfactory  
15 to the department. The department shall accept as proof of the  
16 applicant's identity an identity document that is issued by the  
17 government of another country, if that document bears the  
18 applicant's photograph, full name, and date of birth and the  
19 government of the other country has established reasonable  
20 mechanisms by which the department can verify the identity  
21 document. For purposes of this section, an identity document  
22 includes a passport, a consular identity document, and a national  
23 identity document. On the reverse side of a driver's license, the  
24 department shall print the license holder's country of citizenship  
25 and indicate the country of citizenship by a uniform symbol or code

1 on the face of the license in the space where the department  
2 indicates a restriction or endorsement.

3       Explanation: The added text is necessary to clarify Section  
4 521.142(a), Transportation Code, to allow the Department of Public  
5 Safety to accept identity documents issued by foreign governments  
6 as proof of identity for purposes of application for an original  
7 driver's license.