Suspending limitations on conference committee jurisdiction, S.B. No. 993 (Nelson/McReynolds)

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RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the State of
Texas, 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, That House Rule 13,
Section 9(a), be suspended in part as provided by House Rule 13,
Section 9(f), to enable the conference committee appointed to
resolve the differences on Senate Bill 993 (nursing peer review and
the regulation of the practice of nursing) to consider and take
action on the following matter:

- House Rule 13, Sections 9(a)(3) and (4), are suspended to permit the committee to add new text to Section 301.355(a), Occupations Code, to read as follows:
- 11 (a) The president of a medical and dental unit, as defined

 12 by Section 61.003, Education Code, shall determine whether a nurse

 13 who is employed by the unit for practice in patient care or in

 14 clinical activities is a full-time employee for purposes of:
- 15 <u>(1) employees group benefits under Chapter 1551 or</u> 16 1601, Insurance Code;
- 17 (2) leave under Chapter 661 or 662, Government Code;
 18 and
- 19 <u>(3) longevity pay under Section 659.043, Government</u>
- 20 <u>Code.</u>
 21 Explanation: The change is necessary to require the president
 22 of a medical or dental unit to determine whether certain nurses are
 23 full-time employees for purposes of employees group benefits under
 24 Chapter 1601, Insurance Code, and leave under Chapter 662,

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1 Government Code.