

Suspending limitations on conference committee
jurisdiction, H.B. 3249 (Truitt/Brimer)

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H.R. No. 2890

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, 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, 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 House Bill 3249 (the powers and duties
6 of, and entities reviewed by, the Sunset Advisory Commission) to
7 consider and take action on the following matters:

8 (1) House Rule 13, Sections 9(a)(3) and (4) are suspended to
9 permit the committee to add the following SECTIONS to the bill:

10 SECTION 2.06. TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION. (a) Section
11 442.002(k), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

12 (k) The Texas Historical Commission is subject to Chapter
13 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided
14 by that chapter, the commission is abolished and this chapter
15 expires September 1, 2009 [~~2007~~]. In the review of the commission
16 by the Sunset Advisory Commission, as required by this section, the
17 sunset commission shall limit its review to the appropriateness of
18 recommendations made to the 80th Legislature. In its report to the
19 81st legislature, the sunset commission may include any
20 recommendations it considers appropriate.

21 (b) This section takes effect only if the 80th Legislature,
22 Regular Session, 2007, does not enact other legislation that
23 becomes law and that amends Section 442.002(k), Government Code, to
24 extend the sunset date of the Texas Historical Commission. If the

1 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, enacts legislation of that
2 kind, this section has no effect.

3 SECTION 2.07. OFFICE OF RURAL COMMUNITY AFFAIRS. (a)
4 Section 487.002, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

5 Sec. 487.002. SUNSET PROVISION. The Office of Rural
6 Community Affairs is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act).
7 Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the
8 office is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2009
9 [~~2007~~]. In the review of the office by the Sunset Advisory
10 Commission, as required by this section, the sunset commission
11 shall limit its review to the appropriateness of recommendations
12 made to the 80th Legislature. In its report to the 81st
13 legislature, the sunset commission may include any recommendations
14 it considers appropriate.

15 (b) This section takes effect only if the 80th Legislature,
16 Regular Session, 2007, does not enact other legislation that
17 becomes law and that amends Section 487.002, Government Code, to
18 extend the sunset date of the Office of Rural Community Affairs. If
19 the 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, enacts legislation of
20 that kind, this section has no effect.

21 SECTION 2.08. OFFICE OF STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS. (a)
22 Section 751.003, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

23 Sec. 751.003. SUNSET PROVISION. The Office of State-Federal
24 Relations is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless
25 continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the office is
26 abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2009 [~~2007~~]. In the
27 review of the office by the Sunset Advisory Commission, as required

1 by this section, the sunset commission shall limit its review to the
2 appropriateness of recommendations made to the 80th Legislature.
3 In its report to the 81st legislature, the sunset commission may
4 include any recommendations it considers appropriate.

5 (b) This section takes effect only if the 80th Legislature,
6 Regular Session, 2007, does not enact other legislation that
7 becomes law and that amends Section 751.003, Government Code, to
8 extend the sunset date of the Texas Office of State Federal
9 Relations. If the 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, enacts
10 legislation of that kind, this section has no effect.

11 Explanation: The changes are necessary to provide a
12 two-year continuation of the sunset review date for the Historical
13 Commission, Office of Rural Community Affairs, and the Office of
14 State-Federal Relations if the legislature does not enact other
15 legislation to extend the agencies' sunset dates.

16 (2) House Rule 13, Sections 9(a)(3) and (4) are suspended to
17 permit the committee to add the following SECTIONS to the bill:

18 SECTION 3.11. DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES. Section
19 2054.005, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

20 Sec. 2054.005. SUNSET PROVISION. The Department of
21 Information Resources is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act).
22 Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the
23 department is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2011
24 [~~2009~~].

25 SECTION 3.12. ELECTRONIC GOVERNMENT PROGRAM MANAGEMENT
26 OFFICE. Section 2055.003, Government Code, is amended to read as
27 follows:

1 Sec. 2055.003. SUNSET PROVISION. The office is subject to
2 Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as
3 provided by that chapter, the office is abolished September 1, 2011
4 [~~2009~~].

5 SECTION 3.13. TEXAS PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY. Section
6 1232.072, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 1232.072. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Public Finance
8 Authority is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless
9 continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the authority
10 is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2011 [~~2009~~].

11 Explanation: The changes are necessary to move the agencies'
12 dates from 2009 to 2011, to adjust the sunset review schedule.

13 (3) House Rule 13, Sections 9(a)(3) and (4) are suspended to
14 permit the committee to add the following SECTION to the bill:

15 SECTION 2.09. BOARD OF TAX PROFESSIONAL EXAMINERS. Section
16 1151.003, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

17 Sec. 1151.003. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Board of Tax
18 Professional Examiners is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code
19 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by
20 that chapter, the board is abolished and this chapter expires
21 September 1, 2009 [~~2015~~].

22 Explanation: The change is necessary to move the agency's
23 sunset date from 2015 to 2009.