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

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SENATE RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, That Senate Rule 12.03 be suspended in part as provided by Senate Rule 12.08 to enable the conference committee appointed to resolve the differences on Senate Bill No. 993 (nursing peer review and the regulation of the practice of nursing) to consider and take action on the following matters:

Senate Rules 12.03(3) and (4) are suspended to permit the committee to add new text to Subsection (a), Section 301.355, Occupations Code, to read as follows:

- (a) The president of a medical and dental unit, as defined by Section 61.003, Education Code, shall determine whether a nurse who is employed by the unit for practice in patient care or in clinical activities is a full-time employee for purposes of:
- (1) employees group benefits under Chapter 1551 or 1601, Insurance Code;
 - (2) leave under Chapter 661 or 662, Government Code;

and

(3) longevity pay under Section 659.043, Government Code.

Explanation: The change is necessary to require the president of a medical or dental unit to determine whether certain nurses are full-time employees for purposes of employees group benefits under Chapter 1601, Insurance Code, and leave under Chapter 662, Government Code.

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 26, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate