

Suspending limitations on conference committee
jurisdiction, H.B. No. 2571 (Gonzales/Hinojosa)

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H.R. No. 2927

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, 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, 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 2571 (the licensing and
6 regulation of towing companies and vehicle storage facilities) to
7 consider and take action on the following matters:

8 (1) House Rule 13, Section 9(a)(2), is suspended to permit
9 the committee to omit text not in disagreement in proposed Section
10 2303.155(h), Occupations Code, to read as follows:

11 (h) The operator of a vehicle storage facility or
12 governmental vehicle storage facility may not charge a fee under
13 Subsection (b) to the owner of a vehicle stored or parked at the
14 facility as a result of recovery of the vehicle after being stolen
15 if the vehicle owner provides the operator with a copy of the police
16 report or similar report prepared by any law enforcement agency
17 showing that the vehicle was reported stolen.

18 Explanation: This change is necessary to remove the
19 prohibition on certain fees.

20 (2) House Rule 13, Section 9(a)(4), is suspended to permit
21 the committee to add text not included in either the house or senate
22 version of the bill by adding amended Section 2308.208, Occupations
23 Code, to read as follows:

24 SECTION 8. Section 2308.208, Occupations Code, is amended

1 to read as follows:

2 Sec. 2308.208. MUNICIPAL OR COUNTY ORDINANCE REGULATING
3 UNAUTHORIZED VEHICLES. The governing body of a [A] municipality or
4 the commissioners court of a county may adopt an ordinance that is
5 identical to this chapter or that imposes additional requirements
6 that exceed the minimum standards of this chapter but may not adopt
7 an ordinance conflicting with this chapter.

8 Explanation: This change is necessary to authorize counties
9 to adopt ordinances regulating unauthorized vehicles and towing of
10 motor vehicles.