

Suspending limitations on conference committee
jurisdiction, H.B. No. 2571

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S.R. No. 1071

SENATE RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, 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 House Bill No. 2571 (the licensing and regulation of towing companies and vehicle storage facilities) to consider and take action on the following matters:

(1) Senate Rule 12.03(2) is suspended to permit the committee to omit text not in disagreement in proposed Subsection (h), Section 2303.155, Occupations Code, to read as follows:

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

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

(2) Senate Rule 12.03(4) is suspended to permit the committee to add text not included in either the house or senate version of the bill by adding amended Section 2308.208, Occupations Code, to read as follows:

SECTION 8. Section 2308.208, Occupations Code, is

amended to read as follows:

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

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

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 31, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate