

Suspending limitations on conference committee
jurisdiction, S.B. No 379

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S.R. No. 1079

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 Senate Bill No. 379, relating to an annual report by the Texas Fusion Center regarding criminal street gangs and gang-related crime, to consider and take action on the following matter:

(1) Senate Rule 12.03(1) is suspended to permit the committee to change text not in disagreement in proposed SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Subsection (e), Section 421.082, Government Code, and in SECTION 2 of the bill, so that they read as follows:

(e) The gang section of the center shall annually submit to the governor and the legislature a report assessing the threat posed statewide by criminal street gangs. The report must include identification of:

(1) law enforcement strategies that have been proven effective in deterring gang-related crime; and

(2) gang involvement in trafficking of persons.

SECTION 2. The gang section of the Texas Fusion Center shall submit the first annual report required by Subsection (e), Section 421.082, Government Code, as added by this Act, not later than September 1, 2010.

Explanation: This change is necessary to require the gang section of the Texas Fusion Center to produce the report and to ensure that certain matters are included in the report.

(2) Senate Rule 12.03(1) is suspended to permit the committee to change text not in disagreement in proposed SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Subsection (f), Section 421.082, Government Code, so that it reads as follows:

(f) On request, the office of the attorney general, the Department of Public Safety, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, other law enforcement agencies, and juvenile justice agencies of this state shall provide to the gang section of the center information relating to criminal street gangs, gang-related crime, and gang involvement in trafficking of persons.

Explanation: This change is necessary to require certain law enforcement agencies to comply with a request from the Texas Fusion Center to provide information relating to criminal street gangs, gang-related crime, and gang involvement in trafficking of persons.

(3) Senate Rule 12.03(2) is suspended to permit the committee to omit text not in disagreement in proposed SECTION 1 of the bill, by omitting added Subsection (g), Section 421.082, Government Code.

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Explanation: The omission is necessary to remove a restriction on the information that may be included in the report.

President of the Senate

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

Secretary of the Senate