

Suspending limitations on conference committee
jurisdiction, S.B. No. 379 (Carona/Guillen)

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R E S O L U T I O N

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st
2 Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, That Senate Rule 12.03 be
3 suspended in part as provided by Senate Rule 12.08 to enable the
4 conference committee appointed to resolve the differences on Senate
5 Bill 379, relating to an annual report by the Texas Fusion Center
6 regarding criminal street gangs and gang-related crime, to consider
7 and take action on the following matter:

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

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

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

18 (2) gang involvement in trafficking of persons.

19 SECTION 2. The gang section of the Texas Fusion Center shall
20 submit the first annual report required by Subsection (e), Section
21 421.082, Government Code, as added by this Act, not later than
22 September 1, 2010.

23 Explanation: This change is necessary to require the gang
24 section of the Texas Fusion Center to produce the report and to

1 ensure that certain matters are included in the report.

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

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

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

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

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