

Suspending limitations on conference committee
jurisdiction, S.B. No. 100 (Van de Putte/Taylor of Collin)

By: Taylor of Collin

H.R. No. 2684

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, 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, 2011, 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 Senate Bill 100 (adoption of certain
6 voting procedures and certain elections, including provisions
7 necessary to implement the federal Military and Overseas Voter
8 Empowerment Act, deadlines for declaration of candidacy and dates
9 for certain elections, and terms of certain election officials) to
10 consider and take action on the following matters:

11 (1) House Rule 13, Section 9(a)(3), is suspended to permit
12 the committee to add text on a matter not in disagreement in
13 proposed SECTION 5 of the bill, added Section 41.0052(c), Election
14 Code, and in proposed SECTION 44 of the bill, amended Section
15 11.059(e), Education Code:

16 (c) . . . The change contained in the resolution supersedes
17 a city charter provision . . . that requires the terms of members
18 of the governing body to be staggered.

19 (e) . . . The resolution must provide for staggered terms
20 [a term] of either three or four years and specify the manner in
21 which the transition from the length of the former term to the
22 modified term is made. . . .

23 Explanation: The changes are necessary to allow for a
24 home-rule municipal charter provision that requires the use of

1 staggered terms to elect members of the governing body of the
2 municipality to be superseded by a resolution, and to require
3 staggered terms for the trustees of the board of trustees of an
4 independent school district.

5 (2) House Rule 13, Section 9(a)(4), is suspended to permit
6 the committee to add text on a matter which is not included in
7 either the house or senate version of the bill in proposed SECTION
8 51 of the bill:

9 SECTION 51. The following are repealed:

10 (1) Section 41.0053, Election Code;

11 . . .

12 Explanation: The change is necessary to repeal the required
13 use of an election date by certain political subdivisions.