

Amend CSSB 219 as follows:

Section 571.136, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 571.136. DEADLINE FOR COMPLAINT RESOLUTION; EXTENSION OF DEADLINE. (a) The commission shall complete a preliminary review hearing regarding a complaint, including the commission's decision, within 120 days of the day the respondent is sent the information required by Section 571.123(b).

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the the commission may, on its own motion or on the reasonable request of a respondent, extend any deadline for action relating to a sworn complaint, motion, preliminary review hearing, or formal hearing.

(c)(1) If a deadline under this chapter for an action related to a preliminary review hearing or a formal hearing is extended at the request of the respondent, Section 571.140(a) does not apply to any matter related to the complaint.

(2) If a deadline under this chapter for an action related to a preliminary review hearing or a formal hearing is extended by the commission due to the failure of the complainant to reasonably cooperate with the commission's processing of the complaint, the commission may dismiss the complaint.

(3) If a deadline under this chapter is extended on the commission's own motion, the extension shall be no longer than is required by the circumstances. The commission shall state the reason for the extension, including whether the extension is due to a dispute or uncertainty regarding the facts related to the alleged violation, the law applicable to the alleged violation or both the facts of and the law applicable to the alleged violation. If the reason for the extension is related to the law applicable to the alleged violation, the commission shall state the nature of the legal issues that caused the commission to extend the deadline.

(d) Section 571.140(a) does not apply to a request for an extension of a deadline, the reasons for the granting or denial of an extension of a deadline or the dismissal of a complaint.