Suspending limitations on conference committee jurisdiction, H.B. No. 1160

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S.R. No. 1029

SENATE RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, 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 1160 (the transfer of a certificate of convenience and necessity in certain municipalities) to consider and take action on the following matter:

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 Section 552.024(a), Local Government Code, to read as follows:

(a) This section applies to:

- (1) a municipality that:
 - (A) has a population of not more than 2,500;
 - (B) is located in a county that:
 - (i) has a population of 1.7 million or

more; and

(ii) has two municipalities with a population of 300,000 or more; and

(C) is served by a public utility that:

(i) provides service to the entire

municipality; and

(ii) charges rates for 5,000 gallons of water for residential customers that are at least 50 percent

higher than the rates charged by a municipally owned utility that serves another part of the county in which the municipality is located; and

(2) a municipality:

- (A) with a population of more than 95,000;
- (B) located in a county that:
 - (i) borders Lake Palestine; and
 - (ii) has a population of more than

200,000;

(C) that owns and operates a utility that provides sewer service; and

(D) that has an area within the boundaries of the municipality that is certificated to another retail public utility that provides sewer service.

Explanation: The change is necessary to specify the municipalities to which the added section will apply.

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 23, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate