

Amend CSSB 2203 (senate committee printing) in SECTION 1 of the bill as follows:

(1) In added Section 2003.047(i)(1), Government Code (page 1, line 36), strike "and".

(2) Strike added Sections 2003.047(i)(2) and (i-4), Government Code (page 1, lines 37-46), and substitute the following:

(2) provide that on a motion made by a party, the administrative law judge shall promptly certify to the commission any issue relating to the scope of discovery under Subsection (g); and

(3) provide that certification of an issue expires by operation of law if the certified issue is not set for the commission's consideration within 15 days after the date the administrative law judge files with the chief clerk a request for the commission to answer the certified issue. ~~[Each agency shall publish the jointly adopted rules.]~~

(i-4) Following certification to the commission of an issue relating to the scope of discovery under Subsection (g), the administrative law judge may abate the deadline specified by Subsection (e-2) until the first business day following the earlier of:

(1) the commission's consideration of the certified issue; or

(2) the expiration by operation of law of the issue's certification.