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H.B. No. 1656

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to certain orders, proclamations, and regulations issued
3 in response to a disaster by the governor or the presiding officer
4 of the governing body of a political subdivision.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 418.012, Government Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 Sec. 418.012. EXECUTIVE ORDERS. (a) Under this chapter,
9 the governor may issue, amend, or rescind executive orders,
10 proclamations, and regulations [~~and amend or rescind them~~].

11 (b) Executive orders, proclamations, and regulations issued
12 by the governor have the force and effect of law.

13 (c) To the extent of any conflict, an executive order,
14 proclamation, or regulation issued by the governor under this
15 chapter prevails over an order, proclamation, or regulation issued
16 by the presiding officer of the governing body of a political
17 subdivision under this chapter.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.