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H.B. No. 3407

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a requirement that the Texas Division of Emergency
3 Management maintain climate-controlled warehouses to store
4 personal protective equipment for rapid delivery in a disaster.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 418, Government Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 418.060 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 418.060. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT WAREHOUSES.

9 (a) In this section, "personal protective equipment" means
10 specialized clothing or equipment worn for protection against
11 hazardous materials related to a disaster, including communicable
12 and other infectious diseases.

13 (b) The division shall maintain at least six
14 climate-controlled warehouses to store personal protective
15 equipment for disaster response in this state, including public
16 health disasters and communicable or infectious disease
17 emergencies. The warehouses must be:

18 (1) capable of protecting personal protective
19 equipment from damage by the elements and other environmental
20 conditions, including temperature, humidity, light, and airflow,
21 as necessary to preserve the equipment stored in the warehouse; and

22 (2) located throughout this state so that personal
23 protective equipment can be delivered from a warehouse to any
24 location in this state within six hours.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.