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H.B. No. 3193

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the information relied on by certain agencies for  
3 purposes of rules involving estimates of the intensity, duration,  
4 and frequency of rainfall in this state.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 81, Natural Resources  
7 Code, is amended by adding Section 81.0524 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 81.0524. RULES REFERENCING RAINFALL INTENSITY,  
9 DURATION, AND FREQUENCY. The commission shall periodically update  
10 rules as necessary to incorporate the latest rainfall intensity,  
11 duration, and frequency data issued by the National Oceanic and  
12 Atmospheric Administration.

13 SECTION 2. Subchapter D, Chapter 5, Water Code, is amended  
14 by adding Section 5.1036 to read as follows:

15 Sec. 5.1036. RULES REFERENCING RAINFALL INTENSITY,  
16 DURATION, AND FREQUENCY. The commission shall periodically update  
17 rules as necessary to incorporate the latest rainfall intensity,  
18 duration, and frequency data issued by the National Oceanic and  
19 Atmospheric Administration.

20 SECTION 3. Not later than January 1, 2024, the Railroad  
21 Commission of Texas and the Texas Commission on Environmental  
22 Quality, as applicable, shall update rules as necessary to comply  
23 with Section 81.0524, Natural Resources Code, and Section 5.1036,  
24 Water Code, as added by this Act.

1 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.