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H.B. No. 3935

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the governor's authority during the recovery period  
3 following a state of disaster declaration.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 418.015(c), Government Code, is amended  
6 to read as follows:

7 (c) During a state of disaster [~~and the following recovery~~  
8 ~~period~~], the governor is the commander in chief of state agencies,  
9 boards, and commissions having emergency responsibilities. To the  
10 greatest extent possible, the governor shall delegate or assign  
11 command authority by prior arrangement embodied in appropriate  
12 executive orders or plans, but this chapter does not restrict the  
13 governor's authority to do so by orders issued at the time of the  
14 disaster.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.