

AN ACT

relating to meetings to exchange information regarding emergency management plans relating to pipeline safety.

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

SECTION 1. Section 418.106, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsections (d) and (e) to read as follows:

(d) Each local or interjurisdictional agency shall conduct at least one public meeting each calendar year to exchange information about its emergency management plan. Each agency shall provide written notice of the date, time, and location of the meeting, not later than the fifth day before the meeting, to the pipeline safety section of the gas services division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

(e) An emergency management plan of an agency is excepted from the requirements of Subsection (d) if:

(1) the emergency management plan contains sensitive information relating to critical infrastructures or facilities;
and

(2) the safety or security of those infrastructures or facilities could be jeopardized by disclosure of the emergency management plan.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

H.B. No. 1512

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1512 was passed by the House on May 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1512 was passed by the Senate on May 28, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor