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H.B. No. 1512

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to meetings to exchange information regarding emergency  
3 management plans relating to pipeline safety.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 418.106, Government Code, is amended by  
6 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

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

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend Section 1 by adding Section 418.106 (e) to read as follows:

(e) An emergency management plan of an agency is excepted from the requirements of (d) if: (1) the emergency management plan contains sensitive information relating to privately owned 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.

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