

Amend CSHB 13, in Section 8 of the bill, by striking amended Section 421.071, Government Code (committee printing page 6, lines 18 through 26), and substituting the following:

Sec. 421.071. COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE. (a) A state or local agency that performs a homeland security activity or a nongovernmental entity that contracts with a state or local agency to perform a homeland security activity shall cooperate with and assist the office of the governor, the Homeland Security Council, the Texas Fusion [~~Infrastructure Protection Communications~~] Center, and the National Infrastructure Protection Center in the performance of their duties under this chapter and other state or federal law.

(b) To enhance the protection of critical infrastructure, the Railroad Commission of Texas is granted exclusive original jurisdiction over the location of warning signs, and the design, installation, operation, environmental controls except to the extent those controls are under the jurisdiction of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, screening, noise suppression, and all other matters related to facilities appurtenant to natural gas, liquid hydrocarbon, and hazardous materials pipelines, gathering lines that are subject to Railroad Commission safety standards as provided by Sections 117.011 and 117.012, Natural Resources Code, and Section 121.201, Utilities Code, and distribution facilities and operations under Section 81.051, Natural Resources Code. The Railroad Commission may adopt all rules necessary to implement and administer this subsection.