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H.B. No. 1471

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to resource sharing among certain political subdivisions,
3 including regional planning commissions, during a disaster.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 418, Government Code, is
6 amended by adding Sections 418.111 and 418.112 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 418.111. EXPEDITED RESOURCE SHARING. (a) In this
8 section, "local entity" means a political subdivision or regional
9 planning commission.

10 (b) A local entity may share its resources with another
11 local entity as authorized by the sharing entity's presiding
12 officer, regardless of the process required for sharing resources
13 under an emergency management plan or program or local law, if:

14 (1) the governor has declared a state of disaster as
15 provided by Section 418.014 in an area located wholly or partly in
16 the boundaries of the local entity with which the resources are
17 shared; or

18 (2) the presiding officers of both local entities
19 enter into an agreement to share the resources.

20 Sec. 418.112. COVERAGE FOR BORROWED EQUIPMENT. A political
21 subdivision that borrows equipment or other insured property from
22 another political subdivision as authorized by this subchapter
23 shall obtain appropriate insurance coverage for the borrowed
24 property for the period during which the property is borrowed, as a

1 rider or endorsement to an insurance policy or through a separate
2 insurance policy.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
4 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
5 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
6 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
7 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.