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1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 99 By: Lucio

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the identification of and provision of assistance to
1-11 colonias and for tracking the progress of certain state-funded
1-12 projects that benefit colonias.

1-13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-14 SECTION 1. Subsections (a), (c), (d), and (e), Section
1-15 405.021, Government Code, as added by Chapter 828, Acts of the 79th
1-16 Legislature, Regular Session, 2005, are amended to read as follows:

1-17 (a) In this section, "colonia" means a geographic area that:

1-18 (1) is an economically distressed area as defined by
1-19 Section 17.921, Water Code; ~~and~~

1-20 (2) is located in a county any part of which is within
1-21 62 miles of an international border; and

1-22 (3) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located
1-23 in close proximity to each other in an area that may be described as
1-24 a community or neighborhood.

1-25 (c) The secretary of state shall compile information
1-26 received from the Office of Rural Community Affairs, the Texas
1-27 Water Development Board, the Texas Transportation Commission, the
1-28 Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, the Department
1-29 of State Health Services, the Texas Commission on Environmental
1-30 Quality, the Health and Human Services Commission, the Texas
1-31 Cooperative Extension, councils of governments, an institution of
1-32 higher education that receives funding from the state for projects
1-33 that provide assistance to colonias, and any other agency
1-34 considered appropriate by the secretary of state for purposes of
1-35 the classification system.

1-36 (d) The secretary of state shall compile information on
1-37 colonias that is received from the colonia ombudspersons
1-38 ~~[ombudsmen]~~ under Section 775.004.

1-39 (e) The secretary of state shall:

1-40 (1) with the assistance of the office of the attorney
1-41 general, prepare a report on the progress of state-funded projects
1-42 in providing water or wastewater services, paved roads, and other
1-43 assistance to colonias; and

1-44 (2) submit the report to the presiding officer of each
1-45 house of the legislature not later than:

1-46 (A) December 1 of each even-numbered year, if
1-47 funds are appropriated specifically for the purpose of preparing
1-48 and submitting the report; or

1-49 (B) if funds are not appropriated as described by
1-50 Paragraph (A), December 1, 2010, and December 1 of every fourth year
1-51 following that date.

1-52 SECTION 2. Section 487.060, Government Code, as added by
1-53 Chapter 828, Acts of the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005,
1-54 is amended to read as follows:

1-55 Sec. 487.060. REPORT TO SECRETARY OF STATE. (a) In this
1-56 section, "colonia" means a geographic area that:

1-57 (1) is an economically distressed area as defined by
1-58 Section 17.921, Water Code; ~~and~~

1-59 (2) is located in a county any part of which is within
1-60 62 miles of an international border; and

1-61 (3) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located
1-62 in close proximity to each other in an area that may be described as
1-63 a community or neighborhood.

2-1 (b) To assist the secretary of state in preparing the report
2-2 required under Section 405.021, the office on a quarterly basis
2-3 shall provide a report to the secretary of state detailing any
2-4 projects funded by the office that serve colonias by providing
2-5 water or wastewater services, paved roads, or other assistance.

2-6 (c) The report must include:

- 2-7 (1) a description of any relevant projects;
- 2-8 (2) the location of each project;
- 2-9 (3) the number of colonia residents served by each
2-10 project;
- 2-11 (4) the exact amount spent [cost] or the anticipated
2-12 amount to be spent on each colonia served by [cost of] each project;
- 2-13 (5) a statement of whether each project is completed
2-14 and, if not, the expected completion date of the project; and
- 2-15 (6) any other information, as determined appropriate
2-16 by the secretary of state.

2-17 (d) The office shall require an applicant for funds
2-18 administered by the office to submit to the office a colonia
2-19 classification number, if one exists, for each colonia that may be
2-20 served by the project proposed in the application. If a colonia
2-21 does not have a classification number, the office may contact the
2-22 secretary of state or the secretary of state's representative to
2-23 obtain a number. On request of the office, the secretary of state
2-24 or the secretary of state's representative shall assign a
2-25 classification number.

2-26 SECTION 3. Subchapter A, Chapter 531, Government Code, is
2-27 amended by adding Section 531.0141 to read as follows:

2-28 Sec. 531.0141. REPORT TO SECRETARY OF STATE. (a) In this
2-29 section, "colonia" means a geographic area that:

- 2-30 (1) is an economically distressed area as defined by
2-31 Section 17.921, Water Code;
- 2-32 (2) is located in a county any part of which is within
2-33 62 miles of an international border; and
- 2-34 (3) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located
2-35 in close proximity to each other in an area that may be described as
2-36 a community or neighborhood.

2-37 (b) To assist the secretary of state in preparing the report
2-38 required under Section 405.021, the commission on a quarterly basis
2-39 shall provide a report to the secretary of state detailing any
2-40 projects funded by the commission that provide assistance to
2-41 colonias.

2-42 (c) The report must include:

- 2-43 (1) a description of any relevant projects;
- 2-44 (2) the location of each project;
- 2-45 (3) the number of colonia residents served by each
2-46 project;
- 2-47 (4) the exact amount spent or the anticipated amount
2-48 to be spent on each colonia served by each project;
- 2-49 (5) a statement of whether each project is completed
2-50 and, if not, the expected completion date of the project; and
- 2-51 (6) any other information, as determined appropriate
2-52 by the secretary of state.

2-53 (d) The commission shall require an applicant for funds
2-54 administered by the commission to submit to the commission a
2-55 colonia classification number, if one exists, for each colonia that
2-56 may be served by the project proposed in the application. If a
2-57 colonia does not have a classification number, the commission may
2-58 contact the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
2-59 representative to obtain the classification number. On request of
2-60 the commission, the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
2-61 representative shall assign a classification number to the colonia.

2-62 SECTION 4. Subdivision (2), Section 775.001, Government
2-63 Code, is amended to read as follows:

- 2-64 (2) "Colonia" means a geographic area that:
- 2-65 (A) is an economically distressed area as defined
2-66 by Section 17.921, Water Code, and consists of 11 or more dwellings
2-67 that are located in close proximity to each other in an area that
2-68 may be described as a community or neighborhood; and
- 2-69 (B) is:

3-1 (i) located in a county any part of which is
3-2 within 50 miles of an international border; or

3-3 (ii) located in a county:
3-4 (a) any part of which is within 100
3-5 miles of an international border; and

3-6 (b) that contains the majority of the
3-7 area of a municipality with a population of more than 250,000.

3-8 SECTION 5. Section 775.003, Government Code, as added by
3-9 Chapter 708, Acts of the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005,
3-10 is amended to read as follows:

3-11 Sec. 775.003. COLONIA OMBUDSPERSON [~~OMBUDSMAN~~] PROGRAM.
3-12 The colonia initiatives coordinator shall [~~may~~] appoint a colonia
3-13 ombudsperson [~~ombudsman~~] in:

3-14 (1) each of the six border counties that the
3-15 coordinator determines have the largest colonia populations; and

3-16 (2) each additional county any part of which is within
3-17 100 miles of an international border and that contains the majority
3-18 of the area of a municipality with a population of more than
3-19 250,000.

3-20 SECTION 6. Section 775.004, Government Code, as added by
3-21 Chapter 828, Acts of the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005,
3-22 is amended to read as follows:

3-23 Sec. 775.004. INFORMATION ON COLONIAS. (a) The colonia
3-24 ombudspersons [~~ombudsmen~~] shall gather information about the
3-25 colonias in the counties for which the ombudspersons [~~ombudsmen~~]
3-26 were appointed and provide the information to the secretary of
3-27 state, to assist the secretary of state in preparing the report
3-28 required under Section 405.021.

3-29 (b) To the extent possible, the ombudspersons [~~ombudsmen~~]
3-30 shall gather information regarding:

- 3-31 (1) the platting of each colonia;
- 3-32 (2) the infrastructure of each colonia;
- 3-33 (3) the availability of health care services;
- 3-34 (4) the availability of financial assistance; and
- 3-35 (5) any other appropriate topic as requested by the
3-36 secretary of state.

3-37 (c) The ombudspersons [~~ombudsmen~~] shall provide the
3-38 information to the secretary of state not later than September 1 of
3-39 each even-numbered year.

3-40 SECTION 7. Subsection (d), Section 1403.002, Government
3-41 Code, is amended to read as follows:

3-42 (d) The commission, in cooperation with the office of the
3-43 governor, shall:

3-44 (1) define by rule "border colonia" as a geographic
3-45 area that consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located in close
3-46 proximity to each other in an area that may be described as a
3-47 community or neighborhood and subject to any other criteria
3-48 considered appropriate by the commission and the office of the
3-49 governor;

3-50 (2) establish by rule criteria for selecting which
3-51 areas and which colonia access roadway projects are eligible for
3-52 assistance under this chapter;

3-53 (3) determine the counties and the colonia access
3-54 roadway projects that are to receive financial assistance and the
3-55 amount of assistance given to a county or project;

3-56 (4) establish by rule minimum road standards a
3-57 county's colonia access roadway proposal must meet to be awarded a
3-58 grant;

3-59 (5) establish by rule grant application procedures;
3-60 and

3-61 (6) establish by rule financial reporting
3-62 requirements for counties that receive assistance for colonia
3-63 access roadway projects to serve border colonias.

3-64 SECTION 8. Section 2306.083, Government Code, is amended to
3-65 read as follows:

3-66 Sec. 2306.083. REPORT TO SECRETARY OF STATE. (a) In this
3-67 section, "colonia" means a geographic area that:

3-68 (1) is an economically distressed area as defined by
3-69 Section 17.921, Water Code; [~~and~~]

4-1 (2) is located in a county any part of which is within
4-2 62 miles of an international border; and

4-3 (3) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located
4-4 in close proximity to each other in an area that may be described as
4-5 a community or neighborhood.

4-6 (b) To assist the secretary of state in preparing the report
4-7 required under Section 405.021, the board on a quarterly basis
4-8 shall provide a report to the secretary of state detailing any
4-9 projects funded by the department that provide assistance to
4-10 colonias.

4-11 (c) The report must include:

4-12 (1) a description of any relevant projects;

4-13 (2) the location of each project;

4-14 (3) the number of colonia residents served by each
4-15 project;

4-16 (4) the exact amount spent [~~cost~~] or the anticipated
4-17 amount to be spent on each colonia served by [~~cost of~~] each project;

4-18 (5) a statement of whether each project is completed
4-19 and, if not, the expected completion date of the project; and

4-20 (6) any other information, as determined appropriate
4-21 by the secretary of state.

4-22 (d) The department shall require an applicant for funds
4-23 administered by the department to submit to the department a
4-24 colonia classification number, if one exists, for each colonia that
4-25 may be served by the project proposed in the application. If a
4-26 colonia does not have a classification number, the department may
4-27 contact the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
4-28 representative to obtain the classification number. On request of
4-29 the department, the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
4-30 representative shall assign a classification number to the colonia.

4-31 SECTION 9. Subdivision (1), Section 2306.581, Government
4-32 Code, is amended to read as follows:

4-33 (1) "Colonia" means a geographic area that is located
4-34 in a county some part of which is within 150 miles of the
4-35 international border of this state, that consists of 11 or more
4-36 dwellings that are located in close proximity to each other in an
4-37 area that may be described as a community or neighborhood, and that:

4-38 (A) has a majority population composed of
4-39 individuals and families of low income and very low income, based on
4-40 the federal Office of Management and Budget poverty index, and
4-41 meets the qualifications of an economically distressed area under
4-42 Section 17.921, Water Code; or

4-43 (B) has the physical and economic
4-44 characteristics of a colonia, as determined by the department.

4-45 SECTION 10. Subchapter A, Chapter 51, Education Code, is
4-46 amended by adding Section 51.0052 to read as follows:

4-47 Sec. 51.0052. REPORT TO SECRETARY OF STATE. (a) In this
4-48 section, "colonia" means a geographic area that:

4-49 (1) is an economically distressed area as defined by
4-50 Section 17.921, Water Code;

4-51 (2) is located in a county any part of which is within
4-52 62 miles of an international border; and

4-53 (3) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located
4-54 in close proximity to each other in an area that may be described as
4-55 a community or neighborhood.

4-56 (b) To assist the secretary of state in preparing the report
4-57 required under Section 405.021, Government Code, an institution of
4-58 higher education on a quarterly basis shall provide a report to the
4-59 secretary of state detailing any projects funded by the institution
4-60 of higher education that provide assistance to colonias.

4-61 (c) The report must include:

4-62 (1) a description of any relevant projects;

4-63 (2) the location of each project;

4-64 (3) the number of colonia residents served by each
4-65 project;

4-66 (4) the exact amount spent or the anticipated amount
4-67 to be spent on each colonia served by each project;

4-68 (5) a statement of whether each project is completed
4-69 and, if not, the expected completion date of the project; and

5-1 (6) any other information, as determined appropriate
 5-2 by the secretary of state.

5-3 (d) The institution of higher education shall require an
 5-4 applicant for funds administered by the institution to submit to
 5-5 the institution a colonia classification number, if one exists, for
 5-6 each colonia that may be served by the project proposed in the
 5-7 application. If a colonia does not have a classification number,
 5-8 the institution of higher education may contact the secretary of
 5-9 state or the secretary of state's representative to obtain the
 5-10 classification number. On request of the institution, the
 5-11 secretary of state or the secretary of state's representative shall
 5-12 assign a classification number to the colonia.

5-13 SECTION 11. Subchapter Z, Chapter 51, Education Code, is
 5-14 amended by adding Section 51.9201 to read as follows:

5-15 Sec. 51.9201. ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGY FOR COLONIAS. An
 5-16 institution of higher education as defined by Section 61.003 that
 5-17 has a program in the area of community, rural, or urban development
 5-18 shall create partnerships with governmental agencies and counties
 5-19 to implement programs, policies, and strategies to develop
 5-20 alternative technologies to assist colonias that have inadequate
 5-21 services or are without services, including water, wastewater,
 5-22 utility, transportation, housing, and public health care services.

5-23 SECTION 12. Subchapter E, Chapter 5, Water Code, is amended
 5-24 by adding Section 5.1781 to read as follows:

5-25 Sec. 5.1781. REPORT TO SECRETARY OF STATE. (a) In this
 5-26 section, "colonia" means a geographic area that:

5-27 (1) is an economically distressed area as defined by
 5-28 Section 17.921;

5-29 (2) is located in a county any part of which is within
 5-30 62 miles of an international border; and

5-31 (3) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located
 5-32 in close proximity to each other in an area that may be described as
 5-33 a community or neighborhood.

5-34 (b) To assist the secretary of state in preparing the report
 5-35 required under Section 405.021, Government Code, the commission on
 5-36 a quarterly basis shall provide a report to the secretary of state
 5-37 detailing any projects funded by the commission that provide
 5-38 assistance to colonias.

5-39 (c) The report must include:

5-40 (1) a description of any relevant projects;

5-41 (2) the location of each project;

5-42 (3) the number of colonia residents served by each
 5-43 project;

5-44 (4) the exact amount spent or the anticipated amount
 5-45 to be spent on each colonia served by each project;

5-46 (5) a statement of whether each project is completed
 5-47 and, if not, the expected completion date of the project; and

5-48 (6) any other information, as determined appropriate
 5-49 by the secretary of state.

5-50 (d) The commission shall require an applicant for funds
 5-51 administered by the commission to submit to the commission a
 5-52 colonia classification number, if one exists, for each colonia that
 5-53 may be served by the project proposed in the application. If a
 5-54 colonia does not have a classification number, the commission may
 5-55 contact the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
 5-56 representative to obtain the classification number. On request of
 5-57 the commission, the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
 5-58 representative shall assign a classification number to the colonia.

5-59 SECTION 13. Section 6.1565, Water Code, is amended to read
 5-60 as follows:

5-61 Sec. 6.1565. REPORT TO SECRETARY OF STATE. (a) In this
 5-62 section, "colonia" means a geographic area that:

5-63 (1) is an economically distressed area as defined by
 5-64 Section 17.921; ~~and~~

5-65 (2) is located in a county any part of which is within
 5-66 62 miles of an international border; and

5-67 (3) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located
 5-68 in close proximity to each other in an area that may be described as
 5-69 a community or neighborhood.

6-1 (b) To assist the secretary of state in preparing the report
6-2 required under Section 405.021, Government Code, the board on a
6-3 quarterly basis shall provide a report to the secretary of state
6-4 detailing any projects funded by the board that serve colonias by
6-5 providing water or wastewater services or other assistance.

6-6 (c) The report must include:

- 6-7 (1) a description of any relevant projects;
- 6-8 (2) the location of each project;
- 6-9 (3) the number of colonia residents served by each
6-10 project;
- 6-11 (4) the exact amount spent [cost] or the anticipated
6-12 amount to be spent on each colonia served by [cost of] each project;
- 6-13 (5) a statement of whether each project is completed
6-14 and, if not, the expected completion date of the project; and
- 6-15 (6) any other information, as determined appropriate
6-16 by the secretary of state.

6-17 (d) The board shall require an applicant for funds
6-18 administered by the board to submit to the board a colonia
6-19 classification number, if one exists, for each colonia that may be
6-20 served by the project proposed in the application. If a colonia
6-21 does not have a classification number, the board may contact the
6-22 secretary of state or the secretary of state's representative to
6-23 obtain the classification number. On request of the board, the
6-24 secretary of state or the secretary of state's representative shall
6-25 assign a classification number to the colonia.

6-26 SECTION 14. Subdivision (12), Section 15.001, Water Code,
6-27 is amended to read as follows:

6-28 (12) "Nonborder colonia" means a residential
6-29 community:

6-30 (A) located in an unincorporated area of a county
6-31 all parts of which are at least 150 miles from the international
6-32 border of this state;

6-33 (B) in which water or wastewater services are
6-34 inadequate to meet minimal needs of residential users as defined by
6-35 board rules; ~~and~~

6-36 (C) in which the average household income is less
6-37 than the average household income for the county in which the
6-38 community is located; and

6-39 (D) that consists of 11 or more dwellings that
6-40 are located in close proximity to each other in an area that may be
6-41 described as a community or neighborhood.

6-42 SECTION 15. Subdivision (2), Section 15.951, Water Code, is
6-43 amended to read as follows:

6-44 (2) "Colonia" means a geographic area that:

6-45 (A) is an economically distressed area as defined
6-46 by Section 17.921; ~~and~~

6-47 (B) is located in a county any part of which is
6-48 within 50 miles of an international border; and

6-49 (C) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are
6-50 located in close proximity to each other in an area that may be
6-51 described as a community or neighborhood.

6-52 SECTION 16. Section 1001.033, Health and Safety Code, is
6-53 amended to read as follows:

6-54 Sec. 1001.033. REPORT TO SECRETARY OF STATE. (a) In this
6-55 section, "colonia" means a geographic area that:

6-56 (1) is an economically distressed area as defined by
6-57 Section 17.921, Water Code; ~~and~~

6-58 (2) is located in a county any part of which is within
6-59 62 miles of an international border; and

6-60 (3) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located
6-61 in close proximity to each other in an area that may be described as
6-62 a community or neighborhood.

6-63 (b) To assist the secretary of state in preparing the report
6-64 required under Section 405.021, Government Code, the commissioner
6-65 on a quarterly basis shall provide a report to the secretary of
6-66 state detailing any projects funded by the department that provide
6-67 assistance to colonias.

6-68 (c) The report must include:

- 6-69 (1) a description of any relevant projects;

- 7-1 (2) the location of each project;
- 7-2 (3) the number of colonia residents served by each
- 7-3 project;
- 7-4 (4) the exact amount spent ~~[cost]~~ or the anticipated
- 7-5 amount to be spent on each colonia served by ~~[cost of]~~ each project;
- 7-6 (5) a statement of whether each project is completed
- 7-7 and, if not, the expected completion date of the project; and
- 7-8 (6) any other information, as determined appropriate
- 7-9 by the secretary of state.

7-10 (d) The commission shall require an applicant for funds
 7-11 administered by the commission to submit to the commission a
 7-12 colonia classification number, if one exists, for each colonia that
 7-13 may be served by the project proposed in the application. If a
 7-14 colonia does not have a classification number, the commission may
 7-15 contact the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
 7-16 representative to obtain the classification number. On request of
 7-17 the commission, the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
 7-18 representative shall assign a classification number to the colonia.

7-19 SECTION 17. Section 201.116, Transportation Code, is
 7-20 amended to read as follows:

7-21 Sec. 201.116. REPORT TO SECRETARY OF STATE. (a) In this
 7-22 section, "colonia" means a geographic area that:

- 7-23 (1) is an economically distressed area as defined by
- 7-24 Section 17.921, Water Code; ~~and~~
- 7-25 (2) is located in a county any part of which is within
- 7-26 62 miles of an international border; and
- 7-27 (3) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located
 7-28 in close proximity to each other in an area that may be described as
 7-29 a community or neighborhood.

7-30 (b) To assist the secretary of state in preparing the report
 7-31 required under Section 405.021, Government Code, the commission on
 7-32 a quarterly basis shall provide a report to the secretary of state
 7-33 detailing any projects funded by the department that serve colonias
 7-34 by providing paved roads or other assistance.

7-35 (c) The report must include:

- 7-36 (1) a description of any relevant projects;
- 7-37 (2) the location of each project;
- 7-38 (3) the number of colonia residents served by each
- 7-39 project;
- 7-40 (4) the exact amount spent ~~[cost]~~ or the anticipated
- 7-41 amount to be spent on each colonia served by ~~[cost of]~~ each project;
- 7-42 (5) a statement of whether each project is completed
- 7-43 and, if not, the expected completion date of the project; and
- 7-44 (6) any other information, as determined appropriate
- 7-45 by the secretary of state.

7-46 (d) The commission shall require an applicant for funds
 7-47 administered by the commission to submit to the commission a
 7-48 colonia classification number, if one exists, for each colonia that
 7-49 may be served by the project proposed in the application. If a
 7-50 colonia does not have a classification number, the commission may
 7-51 contact the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
 7-52 representative to obtain the classification number. On request of
 7-53 the commission, the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
 7-54 representative shall assign a classification number to the colonia.

7-55 SECTION 18. Subsection (a), Section 43.907, Local
 7-56 Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

7-57 (a) In this section, "colonia" means a geographic area that
 7-58 consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located in close proximity
 7-59 to each other in an area that may be described as a community or
 7-60 neighborhood and that:

- 7-61 (1) ~~[that]~~ has a majority population composed of
- 7-62 individuals and families of low income and very low income, as
- 7-63 defined by Section 2306.004, Government Code, and based on the
- 7-64 federal Office of Management and Budget poverty index, and that
- 7-65 meets the qualifications of an economically distressed area under
- 7-66 Section 17.921, Water Code; or
- 7-67 (2) ~~[that]~~ has the physical and economic
- 7-68 characteristics of a colonia, as determined by the Texas Department
- 7-69 of Housing and Community Affairs.

8-1 SECTION 19. Chapter 391, Local Government Code, is amended
8-2 by adding Section 391.00951 to read as follows:

8-3 Sec. 391.00951. REPORT TO SECRETARY OF STATE. (a) In this
8-4 section, "colonia" means a geographic area that:

8-5 (1) is an economically distressed area as defined by
8-6 Section 17.921, Water Code;

8-7 (2) is located in a county any part of which is within
8-8 62 miles of an international border; and

8-9 (3) consists of 11 or more dwellings that are located
8-10 in close proximity to each other in an area that may be described as
8-11 a community or neighborhood.

8-12 (b) To assist the secretary of state in preparing the report
8-13 required under Section 405.021, Government Code, the commission on
8-14 a quarterly basis shall provide a report to the secretary of state
8-15 detailing any projects funded by the commission that provide
8-16 assistance to colonias.

8-17 (c) The report must include:

8-18 (1) a description of any relevant projects;

8-19 (2) the location of each project;

8-20 (3) the number of colonia residents served by each
8-21 project;

8-22 (4) the exact amount spent or the anticipated amount
8-23 to be spent on each colonia served by each project;

8-24 (5) a statement of whether each project is completed
8-25 and, if not, the expected completion date of the project; and

8-26 (6) any other information, as determined appropriate
8-27 by the secretary of state.

8-28 (d) The commission shall require an applicant for funds
8-29 administered by the commission to submit to the commission a
8-30 colonia classification number, if one exists, for each colonia that
8-31 may be served by the project proposed in the application. If a
8-32 colonia does not have a classification number, the commission may
8-33 contact the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
8-34 representative to obtain the classification number. On request of
8-35 the commission, the secretary of state or the secretary of state's
8-36 representative shall assign a classification number to the colonia.

8-37 SECTION 20. Section 775.003, Government Code, as added by
8-38 Chapter 828, Acts of the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005,
8-39 is repealed.

8-40 SECTION 21. This Act takes effect immediately if it
8-41 receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each
8-42 house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution.
8-43 If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate
8-44 effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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