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1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 13, 2007; February 27, 2007,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation and
1-4 Homeland Security; March 12, 2007, reported favorably by the
1-5 following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; March 12, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the collection of certain data for the Texas Natural
1-9 Resources Information System and the duties of the Texas Geographic
1-10 Information Council.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Subsections (a) and (d), Section 16.021, Water
1-13 Code, are amended to read as follows:

1-14 (a) The executive administrator shall establish the Texas
1-15 Natural Resources Information System (TNRIS) to serve Texas
1-16 agencies and citizens as a centralized clearinghouse and referral
1-17 center for:

- 1-18 (1) natural resource data;
1-19 (2) ~~]~~ census data;
1-20 (3) data related to emergency management; ~~]~~ and
1-21 (4) other socioeconomic data.

1-22 (d) Member entities of the TGIC that are state agencies
1-23 shall, and member entities that are not state agencies may, provide
1-24 information to the TGIC about their investments in geographic
1-25 information and plans for its use. Not later than November
1-26 ~~September~~ 1 of each even-numbered year, the TGIC shall prepare
1-27 and provide to the board, the Department of Information Resources,
1-28 the governor, and the legislature a report that:

- 1-29 (1) describes the progress made by each TGIC member
1-30 entity toward achieving geographic information system goals and in
1-31 implementing ~~plan that inventories known state agency~~ geographic
1-32 information systems initiatives; and
1-33 (2) recommends additional ~~projects and recommends~~
1-34 initiatives to improve the state's geographic information systems
1-35 programs.

1-36 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-37 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-38 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-39 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-40 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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