

1-1 By: Estes S.B. No. 1339  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 7, 2007; March 19, 2007, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural  
1-4 Affairs and Coastal Resources; April 23, 2007, reported adversely,  
1-5 with favorable Committee Substitute from Committee on Natural  
1-6 Resources by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; April 23, 2007,  
1-7 sent to printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1339 By: Estes

1-9 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-10 AN ACT

1-11 relating to allowing money in the disaster contingency fund to be  
1-12 used to provide assistance to producers of agricultural products  
1-13 affected by a disaster caused by severe drought or wildfire.

1-14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-15 SECTION 1. Section 418.073, Government Code, is amended by  
1-16 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

1-17 (c) The purposes for which money in the disaster contingency  
1-18 fund may be used include making funds available to a state or local  
1-19 agency that will use the funds to provide assistance to producers of  
1-20 agricultural products affected by or recovering from a disaster  
1-21 caused by severe drought or wildfire. In this subsection,  
1-22 "agricultural products" includes:

1-23 (1) horticultural, viticultural, forestry, dairy,  
1-24 livestock, poultry, and bee products, including products of exotic  
1-25 livestock as defined by Section 161.001, Agriculture Code; and

1-26 (2) any farm or ranch product.

1-27 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-28 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-29 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-30 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-31 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the  
1-32 legislative session.

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