

1-1 By: Zaffirini S.B. No. 1499
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 8, 2007; March 20, 2007, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
1-4 April 10, 2007, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 10, 2007,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1499 By: Ellis

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

1-10 relating to the meeting notice that a governmental body may post in
1-11 certain emergency situations.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Section 551.045, Government Code, is amended by
1-14 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

1-15 (e) For purposes of Subsection (b)(2), the sudden
1-16 relocation of a large number of residents from the area of a
1-17 declared disaster to a governmental body's jurisdiction is
1-18 considered a reasonably unforeseeable situation for a reasonable
1-19 period immediately following the relocation. Notice of an
1-20 emergency meeting or supplemental notice of an emergency item added
1-21 to the agenda of a meeting to address a situation described by this
1-22 subsection must be given to members of the news media as provided by
1-23 Section 551.047 not later than one hour before the meeting.

1-24 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-25 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-26 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-27 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-28 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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