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H.B. No. 1063

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to emergency vehicle access to certain gated communities and multiunit housing projects.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 352, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 352.1145 to read as follows:

Sec. 352.1145. SIREN-OPERATED SENSOR SYSTEMS FOR ELECTRIC GATES. The commissioners court of a county by order may require that each electric gate to a gated community or multiunit housing project be equipped with a gate-operating device that:

(1) is approved by the county fire marshal or other similar authority having jurisdiction over fire prevention; and

(2) will activate the electric gate on the sounding of an emergency vehicle siren.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.