

1-1 By: Eiland (Senate Sponsor - Jackson) H.B. No. 2457  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 14, 2009;  
1-3 April 15, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Natural Resources; April 20, 2009, reported favorably by the  
1-5 following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 20, 2009, sent to printer.)

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

1-8 relating to the duty of the General Land Office to clean, maintain,  
1-9 and clear debris from a public beach affected by a declared  
1-10 disaster.

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

1-12 SECTION 1. Section 61.067, Natural Resources Code, is  
1-13 amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

1-14 (a-1) Notwithstanding Sections 61.065 and 61.066, the land  
1-15 office shall clean, maintain, and clear debris from a public beach  
1-16 that is located in an area designated as a threatened area in a  
1-17 declaration of a state of disaster issued under Section 418.014,  
1-18 Government Code. The duty of the land office under this subsection  
1-19 is limited to debris related to the event that is the subject of the  
1-20 disaster declaration.

1-21 SECTION 2. Section 61.082(a), Natural Resources Code, is  
1-22 amended to read as follows:

1-23 (a) Except as provided by Section 61.067(a-1), the [The]  
1-24 provisions of this subchapter shall not be construed to interfere  
1-25 with local initiative and responsibility in the cleaning,  
1-26 maintenance, and supervision of public beaches.

1-27 SECTION 3. 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 September 1, 2009.

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