

By: Turner of Harris

H.B. No. 2558

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to registration for evacuation and disaster preparedness  
3 for clients of home and community support services agencies.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 142, Health and Safety  
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 142.0201 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 142.0201. REGISTRATION FOR EVACUATION; DISASTER  
8 PREPAREDNESS. A home and community support services agency shall:

9 (1) assist clients as necessary with registering for  
10 disaster evacuation assistance through 2-1-1 services provided by  
11 the Texas Information and Referral Network; and

12 (2) counsel clients as necessary regarding disaster  
13 preparedness.

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
15 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
16 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
17 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
18 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.