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S.B. No. 1827

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to inspections of flood-prone areas by political subdivisions.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 16, Water Code, is amended by adding Section 16.3151 to read as follows:

Sec. 16.3151. RIGHT TO ENTER PROPERTY IN FLOOD-PRONE AREAS.
A political subdivision is authorized to enter and inspect property in a flood-prone area at any time to determine if the property is being maintained in compliance with law or with the ordinances, orders, or rules of the political subdivision that enters the property.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2011.