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S.B. No. 171

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the establishment of a workgroup to study the use by
3 state agencies of a uniform application form following disasters.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 418.013, Government Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

7 (e) The chief of the division shall establish a workgroup of
8 appropriate emergency management council members, local government
9 officials, and nonprofit organizations to determine if a uniform
10 application form for assistance following a disaster may be
11 developed for use by state agencies and by persons requesting
12 assistance from state agencies. The workgroup shall report its
13 findings, including recommendations for any necessary statutory
14 changes, to the legislature before September 1, 2014. This
15 subsection expires September 1, 2014.

16 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
20 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.