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H.B. No. 137

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to reports by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality about dams that have certain hazard classifications.

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

SECTION 1. Section 12.052, Water Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e-3) to read as follows:

(e-3) For purposes of this subsection, the emergency management director for a political subdivision is the person designated the subdivision's emergency management director by Section 418.1015, Government Code. The commission shall provide a report of a dam that has a hazard classification of high or significant to the emergency management director for the political subdivision in which the dam is located. The commission shall make a report to the emergency management director not later than:

(1) the 48th hour after the time of the designation of a dam as a high hazard classification; or

(2) the 30th day after the date of the designation of a dam as a significant hazard classification.

SECTION 2. For each dam that, as of the effective date of this Act, the executive director of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality maintains a classification of high or significant hazard, the commission shall provide a report regarding the hazard classification of the dam to the emergency management director for the political subdivision in which the dam is located

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1 as provided by Section [12.052\(e-3\)](#), Water Code, as added by this
2 Act. Each report must be provided as soon as practicable and not
3 later than March 1, 2020.

4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.