A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a study by Texas A&M University on the expected effects
of future climate change in this state and the preparedness of this
state to address those effects.

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

SECTION 1. STUDY AND REPORT. (a) The board of regents of
The Texas A&M University System shall designate a department or
entity at Texas A&M University to conduct a study on:

(1) the expected effects of future climate change in
this state, including:

(A) the expected economic ramifications of
climate change;

(B) the expected effects on agriculture and other
industries of this state that are vulnerable to climate change; and

(C) the expected increase in droughts, natural
disasters, and other environmental conditions resulting from
climate change; and

(2) the preparedness of this state to identify,
minimize, and mitigate the expected effects described by
Subdivision (1) of this subsection.

(b) Not later than December 1, 2020, Texas A&M University
shall submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, and each
member of the legislature a report containing the results of the
study conducted under this section.
SECTION 2. EXPIRATION DATE. This Act expires January 1, 2021.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. 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, 2019.