

By: Perry

S.B. No. 1673

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the creation of a grant program to assist certain counties with employing or contracting for a qualified emergency management coordinator.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter K, Chapter 88, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 88.823 to read as follows:

Sec. 88.823. GRANT PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN COUNTIES.

(a) Using available funds or private donations, the extension service shall establish and administer a grant program to award grants to counties with a population of less than 10,000 to assist a county in employing or contracting with a qualified emergency management coordinator.

(b) The extension service shall adopt rules to implement and administer the grant program created under this section, including rules regarding applications by and the eligibility of counties described by Subsection (a) for grants under the program.

(c) The extension service may accept gifts, grants, and donations for the grant program created under this section.

SECTION 2. The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service is required to implement a provision of this Act only if the legislature appropriates money specifically for that purpose. If the legislature does not appropriate money specifically for that purpose, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service may, but is not

1 required to, implement a provision of this Act using other
2 appropriations available for that purpose.

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