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S.B. No. 1885

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to notice of a radioactive substance release.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 501, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 501.0245 to read as follows:

Sec. 501.0245. NOTICE OF RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE RELEASE.

Notwithstanding Subchapter H, Chapter 418, Government Code, or any other law requiring confidentiality, a person who accidentally releases a radioactive substance into the environment shall immediately notify each political subdivision of this state into which the substance was released.

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, 2019.