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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the governor's power to control the sale, transportation, and use of weapons and ammunition during a declared state of disaster or state of emergency.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 418.019, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 418.019.  RESTRICTED SALE AND TRANSPORTATION OF MATERIALS. The governor may suspend or limit the sale, dispensing, or transportation of alcoholic beverages, [~~firearms,~~] explosives, and combustibles.

SECTION 2.  Section 433.002(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b)  The directive may provide for:

(1)  control of public and private transportation in the affected area;

(2)  designation of specific zones in the affected area in which, if necessary, the use and occupancy of buildings and vehicles may be controlled;

(3)  control of the movement of persons;

(4)  control of places of amusement or assembly;

(5)  establishment of curfews;

(6)  control of the sale, transportation, and use of alcoholic beverages[~~, weapons, and ammunition, except as provided by Section 433.0045~~]; and

(7)  control of the storage, use, and transportation of explosives or flammable materials considered dangerous to public safety.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.