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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a prohibition on orders issued during a declared state of disaster that distinguish between essential and nonessential services.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter A, Chapter 418, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 418.0035 to read as follows:

Sec. 418.0035.  PROHIBITION. The governor or the presiding officer of the governing body of a political subdivision may not issue an order during a declared state of disaster or local state of disaster that restricts the operation of a business or industry or the activities of an individual by distinguishing between essential and nonessential services provided or obtained by the business, industry, or individual.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.