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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a state of disaster declared by the governor because of COVID-19.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 418.014, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(f)  Notwithstanding Subsection (a), the governor may not declare a state of disaster because of COVID-19. In this subsection, "COVID-19" means the coronavirus disease 2019.

SECTION 2.  As provided by Section 418.014(c), Government Code, the state of disaster declared by the governor in Tex. Gov. Proclamation No. 41-3720, 45 Tex. Reg. 2094 (2020), as renewed, is terminated.

SECTION 3.  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, 2021.