H.B. No. 3223

AN ACT

relating to the management of a declared state of disaster.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 418.113(d), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d)  The chair of the emergency management council [~~public safety director of the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas~~] shall appoint a chair of each disaster district committee based on the declared disaster and phase of disaster response in accordance with the National Incident Management System guidelines [~~commanding officer from the Texas Highway Patrol to serve as chair of each disaster district committee~~]. The chair of each disaster district committee shall:

(1)  inform the chair of the emergency management council [~~state Director of Homeland Security~~] on all matters relating to disasters and emergencies as requested by the chair of the emergency management council [~~state Director of Homeland Security~~]; and

(2)  inform the public safety director of the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas on all matters as requested by the public safety director.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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    President of the Senate Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3223 was passed by the House on May 2, 2023, by the following vote:  Yeas 138, Nays 6, 3 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3223 was passed by the Senate on May 17, 2023, by the following vote:  Yeas 30, Nays 1.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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                  Governor