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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to establishing the Border Security Advisory Council.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter B-1, Chapter 421, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 421.0425 to read as follows:

Sec. 421.0425.  BORDER SECURITY ADVISORY COUNCIL. (a) The Border Security Advisory Council is a permanent special advisory committee created to advise the governor or the governor's designee on homeland security issues impacting the security of the Texas-Mexico border and on streamlining statewide border security activities and initiatives.

(b)  The council is composed of:

(1)  the executive head of or a designee from each of the following:

(A)  Department of Public Safety;

(B)  Texas Military Department;

(C)  Texas Division of Emergency Management;

(D)  Parks and Wildlife Department;

(E)  Texas Department of Criminal Justice; and

(F)  Office of Court Administration of the Texas Judicial System; and

(2)  other members as determined by the governor or the governor's designee.

(c)  The council shall advise on:

(1)  coordinating agency goals and responsibilities for border security efforts;

(2)  developing procedures for streamlining agency decision-making; and

(3)  improving transparency of border security operations.

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