

1-1 By: Kolkhorst S.B. No. 981
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 21, 2019; March 1, 2019,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Health & Human
 1-4 Services; April 1, 2019, reported adversely, with favorable
 1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0;
 1-6 April 1, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8 Kolkhorst	X			
1-9 Perry	X			
1-10 Buckingham			X	
1-11 Campbell	X			
1-12 Flores	X			
1-13 Johnson	X			
1-14 Miles	X			
1-15 Powell	X			
1-16 Seliger	X			

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 981 By: Seliger

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the disaster supplemental nutrition assistance
 1-22 program.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 33, Human Resources Code,
 1-25 is amended by adding Section 33.0024 to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 33.0024. DISASTER SNAP. (a) In this section,
 1-27 "program" means the program to provide supplemental nutrition
 1-28 assistance benefits to victims of a disaster as authorized by 7
 1-29 U.S.C. Section 2014.

1-30 (b) The commission shall:

1-31 (1) in collaboration with local government officials:

1-32 (A) create a directory of local points of contact
 1-33 for the operation of the program;

1-34 (B) determine the best method for communication
 1-35 between the commission and local government officials regarding the
 1-36 program; and

1-37 (C) evaluate, develop, and maintain a list of
 1-38 potential sites for in-person application for program benefits that
 1-39 meet federal requirements;

1-40 (2) enter into memorandums of understanding with local
 1-41 government agencies documenting the roles and responsibilities of
 1-42 the commission and each local government agency regarding the
 1-43 determination of the need for and the location of sites for
 1-44 in-person application for program benefits; and

1-45 (3) provide information regarding the program and
 1-46 strategies for effective collaboration between local governments
 1-47 and the commission to local government officials in coastal
 1-48 counties by hosting webinars, conducting conference calls, or
 1-49 holding in-person meetings.

1-50 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-51 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-52 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-53 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-54 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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