

1-1 By: Lucio S.B. No. 857
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 15, 2019; March 1, 2019,
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1-4 Relations; March 20, 2019, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; March 20, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to requiring training for certain emergency management
1-18 coordinators.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Sections 418.005(a), (b), (c), and (e),
1-21 Government Code, are amended to read as follows:

1-22 (a) This section applies only to:

1-23 (1) an elected law enforcement officer or county
1-24 judge, or an appointed public officer of the state or of a political
1-25 subdivision, who has management or supervisory responsibilities
1-26 and:

1-27 (A) ~~[(1)]~~ whose position description, job
1-28 duties, or assignment includes emergency management
1-29 responsibilities; or

1-30 (B) ~~[(2)]~~ who plays a role in emergency
1-31 preparedness, response, or recovery; and

1-32 (2) an emergency management coordinator designated
1-33 under Section 418.1015(c) by the emergency management director of a
1-34 county with a population of 500,000 or more.

1-35 (b) Each person described by Subsection (a) shall complete a
1-36 course of training provided or approved by the division of not less
1-37 than three hours regarding the responsibilities of state and local
1-38 governments under this chapter not later than the 180th day after
1-39 the date the person:

1-40 (1) takes the oath of office, if the person is required
1-41 to take an oath of office to assume the person's duties as a public
1-42 officer; ~~[or]~~

1-43 (2) otherwise assumes responsibilities as a public
1-44 officer, if the person is not required to take an oath of office to
1-45 assume the person's duties; or

1-46 (3) is designated as an emergency management
1-47 coordinator under Section 418.1015(c).

1-48 (c) The division shall develop and provide a training course
1-49 related to the emergency management responsibilities of
1-50 state-level officers and a training course related to the emergency
1-51 management responsibilities of officers and emergency management
1-52 coordinators of political subdivisions. The division shall ensure
1-53 that the training courses satisfy the requirements of Subsection
1-54 (b).

1-55 (e) The division or other entity providing the training
1-56 shall provide a certificate of course completion to a person
1-57 ~~[public officers]~~ who completes ~~[complete]~~ the training required by
1-58 this section. A person ~~[public officer]~~ who completes the training
1-59 required by this section shall maintain and make available for
1-60 public inspection the record of the person's ~~[public officer's]~~
1-61 completion of the training.

2-1 SECTION 2. Not later than March 1, 2020, each person who is
2-2 required to complete a course of training under Section 418.005,
2-3 Government Code, as amended by this Act, must complete the
2-4 training.

2-5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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