

SB 5046-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Requires a state agency that provides life safety information in an emergency or disaster to: (1) Provide to the relevant committees of the legislature, a copy of its current communication plan for notifying significant population segments of the information, including the agency's point of contact; and

(2) Submit an annual report to the relevant committees of the legislature identifying those instances of emergency or disaster in the preceding year in which life safety information was provided and what public messaging strategies and means were used to notify citizens with limited English proficiency.

Requires each local organization or joint local organization for emergency management that produces a local comprehensive emergency management plan to: (1) Include a communication plan for notifying significant population segments of life safety information during an emergency;

(2) Submit the plans to the state military department emergency management division; and

(3) When conducting emergency or disaster after-action reviews, evaluate the effectiveness of communication of life safety information and inform the emergency management division of the state military department of technological challenges which limited communications efforts.

Requires the state military department emergency management division to: (1) Submit a report every five years to the relevant committees of the legislature containing the status of the communication plans; and

(2) Provide the legislature an annual report on instances of emergency or disaster in which communication of life safety information was technologically infeasible.

Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.