

1-1 By: Landgraf, Reynolds (Senate Sponsor - Birdwell) H.B. No. 2361
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 3, 2021;
 1-3 May 10, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural
 1-4 Resources & Economic Development; May 21, 2021, reported favorably
 1-5 by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 21, 2021, sent to
 1-6 printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-18 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-19 AN ACT

1-20 relating to the new technology implementation grant program
 1-21 administered by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 391.002(b), Health and Safety Code, is
 1-24 amended to read as follows:

1-25 (b) Projects that may be considered for a grant under the
 1-26 program include:

1-27 (1) advanced clean energy projects, as defined by
 1-28 Section 382.003;

1-29 (2) new technology projects that reduce emissions of
 1-30 regulated pollutants from stationary sources;

1-31 (3) new technology projects that reduce emissions from
 1-32 upstream and midstream oil and gas production, completions,
 1-33 gathering, storage, processing, and transmission activities
 1-34 through:

1-35 (A) the replacement, repower, or retrofit of
 1-36 stationary compressor engines;

1-37 (B) the installation of systems to reduce or
 1-38 eliminate the loss of gas, flaring of gas, or burning of gas using
 1-39 other combustion control devices; or

1-40 (C) the installation of systems that reduce
 1-41 flaring emissions and other site emissions [~~by capturing waste heat
 1-42 to generate electricity solely for on-site service~~]; and

1-43 (4) electricity storage projects related to renewable
 1-44 energy, including projects to store electricity produced from wind
 1-45 and solar generation that provide efficient means of making the
 1-46 stored energy available during periods of peak energy use.

1-47 SECTION 2. Section 391.205(a), Health and Safety Code, is
 1-48 amended to read as follows:

1-49 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (c), in awarding grants
 1-50 under this chapter the commission shall give preference to projects
 1-51 that:

1-52 (1) involve the transport, use, recovery for use, or
 1-53 prevention of the loss of natural resources originating or produced
 1-54 in this state;

1-55 (2) contain an energy efficiency component;

1-56 (3) include the use of solar, wind, or other renewable
 1-57 energy sources; [~~or~~]

1-58 (4) recover waste heat from the combustion of natural
 1-59 resources and use the heat to generate electricity; or

1-60 (5) reduce flaring emissions and other site emissions.

1-61 SECTION 3. Section 391.301, Health and Safety Code, is

2-1 amended to read as follows:

2-2 Sec. 391.301. RESTRICTION ON USE OF GRANT. A recipient of a
2-3 grant under this chapter must use the grant to pay the incremental
2-4 costs of the purchase, lease, or [~~and~~] installation of the project
2-5 for which the grant is made, which may include reasonable and
2-6 necessary expenses for the labor needed to install
2-7 emissions-reducing equipment. The recipient may [~~not~~] use the
2-8 grant for the costs of operating and maintaining the
2-9 emissions-reducing equipment.

2-10 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
2-11 a Texas emissions reduction plan grant awarded on or after the
2-12 effective date of this Act. A grant awarded before the effective
2-13 date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the
2-14 award was made, and the former law is continued in effect for that
2-15 purpose.

2-16 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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