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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

| 1 | AN ACT   |
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| 2 | relating to the cleaning of a structure used to grow oysters for |
| 3 | cultivated oyster mariculture.                                   |
| 4 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:          |
| 5 | SECTION 1. Chapter 75, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended       |
| 6 | by adding Section 75.01055 to read as follows:                   |
| 7 | Sec. 75.01055. CLEANING OF STRUCTURES USED FOR GROWING           |

- 7 <u>Sec. 75.01055. CLEANING OF STRUCTURES USED FOR GROWING</u> 8 OYSTERS. A cultivated oyster mariculture permit holder may clean a
- 9 structure used to grow oysters for cultivated oyster mariculture at
- 10 the location where the permit holder is authorized to operate if the
- 11 permit holder:
- (1) cleans the structure only with water from the
- 13 <u>location where the permit holder is authorized to operate; and</u>
- 14 (2) does not use soap, chemicals, or any other similar
- 15 <u>substance to clean the structure.</u>
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.