

AN ACT

relating to the acceptance of organization reports and permit applications and approval of certificates of compliance by the Railroad Commission of Texas.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 91.114, Natural Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (d), the commission may not accept an organization report required under Section 91.142 or an application for a permit under this Chapter, Chapter 85, or Chapter 26, 27, or 29, Water Code, or approve a certificate of compliance under Section 85.161 if:

(1) the organization that submitted the report, application, or certificate violated a statute or commission rule, order, license, certificate, or permit that relates to safety or the prevention or control of pollution; or

(2) a person who holds a position of ownership or control in the organization has, within the seven [~~five~~] years preceding the date on which the report, application, or certificate is filed, held a position of ownership or control in another organization and during that period of ownership or control the other organization violated a statute or commission rule, order, license, permit, or certificate that relates to safety or the prevention or control of pollution.

1 SECTION 2. (a) This Act takes effect immediately if it
2 receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each
3 house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution.
4 If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate
5 effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

6 (b) The change in law made by this Act applies only to an
7 organization report, permit application, or request for
8 certificate of compliance that is filed with the Railroad
9 Commission of Texas on or after the effective date of this Act.

S.B. No. 1484

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1484 passed the Senate on April 16, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1484 passed the House on May 28, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor