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TO: Honorable Dennis Bonnen, Chair, House Committee on Environmental Regulation

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1481 by Allen (Relating to the creation of the operating permit fee account for fees collected under Titles IV and V of the Clean Air Act.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB1481, Committee Report 1st House, Substituted: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2005.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2004	\$0
2005	\$0
2006	\$0
2007	\$0
2008	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Revenue Gain from New General Revenue Dedicated Operating Permit Fee Account	Probable Revenue (Loss) from <i>CLEAN AIR ACCOUNT</i> 151
2004	\$35,980,000	(\$35,980,000)
2005	\$35,206,000	(\$35,206,000)
2006	\$34,107,000	(\$34,107,000)
2007	\$33,042,000	(\$33,042,000)
2008	\$32,010,000	(\$32,010,000)

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would create a new General Revenue-Dedicated account for air operating fee permit proceeds. The account would be called the Operating Permit Fees Account. Funds in the account could only be appropriated to cover the costs of developing and administering Titles IV and V of the Federal Clean Air Act.

Methodology

Under current law, several types of fee revenues are deposited to the credit of the Clean Air Account. The bill would require that the portion of revenues currently going to the Clean Air Account No. 151 would instead go to the Operating Permit Fees Account upon passage of the bill.

This estimate assumes that the Commission on Environmental Quality currently only uses proceeds of operating permit fees for the operation of programs under Titles IV and V of the Federal Clean Air Act. Therefore, no significant fiscal impact to the agency is expected.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 582 Commission on Environmental Quality LBB Staff: JK, JO, CL, MS, TL