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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 a subaccount for fees collected under Titles IV and V of the Clean Air Act.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to establish a subaccount in the Clean Air Account No. 151 for fees collected from entities subject to permitting requirements of Title IV or V of the federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. Funds in the subaccount could not be commingled with other revenues accruing to the Clean Air Account No. 151 and could only be appropriated to the commission to cover the costs of developing and administering the federal permit programs under Title IV or V of the Federal Clean Air Act (FCAA).

According to the TCEQ, the agency has recently set up a subaccount in the Clean Air Account 151 for the Title IV and V emission fees. In addition, the agency reports that it currently uses these revenues solely to cover the costs of developing and administering FCAA, Titles IV and V. It is expected that passage of the bill would codify existing practices, resulting in no significant impact to the agency.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller Of Public Accounts, 405 Department Of Public Safety, 582 Commission On Environmental Quality

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