

Amend CSHB 3540 by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to ARTICLE 4 and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS accordingly:

SECTION 4.____. Section 26.35731(a), Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The ~~[Except as provided by Subsection (b), the]~~ commission shall consider and process a claim by an eligible owner or operator for reimbursement from the petroleum storage tank remediation account in the order in which it is received. The commission shall consider and process all claims by eligible owners and operators for reimbursement from the account that were received before September 1, 1995, before the commission considers a claim received after that date.

SECTION 4.____. Section 26.35731(b), Water Code, is repealed.