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H.B. No. 151

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to consideration by the Texas Commission on Environmental  
3 Quality of a landfill's impact on the transportation systems and  
4 economic development of the area in which the landfill is located or  
5 proposed to be located.

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

7 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 361, Health and Safety  
8 Code, is amended by adding Section 361.125 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 361.125. CONSIDERATION OF LANDFILL'S IMPACT ON AREA'S  
10 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. When reviewing an  
11 application for a permit to construct a landfill or for an amendment  
12 to a permit authorizing the modification of a landfill under this  
13 chapter, the commission must consider the impact the proposed  
14 landfill or the proposed modification will have on:

15 (1) the transportation system in the county in which  
16 the landfill is located or proposed to be located; and

17 (2) the economic development of the area surrounding  
18 the landfill or the proposed landfill.

19 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
20 to an application for a permit or permit amendment that is filed  
21 with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality under Chapter  
22 361, Health and Safety Code, on or after the effective date of this  
23 Act. An application for a permit or permit amendment that is filed  
24 with the commission under that chapter before the effective date of

1 this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the  
2 application is filed, and that law is continued in effect for that  
3 purpose.

4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.