

AN ACT

relating to environmental permitting fees and electronic reporting.

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

SECTION 1. Section 5.128(a), Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The commission shall encourage the use of electronic reporting through the Internet, to the extent practicable, for reports required by the commission. Notwithstanding any other law, the commission may adjust fees as necessary to encourage electronic reporting and the use of the commission's electronic document receiving system. An electronic report must be submitted in a format prescribed by the commission. The commission may consult with the Department of Information Resources on developing a simple format for use in implementing this subsection.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

H.B. No. 1254

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1254 was passed by the House on April 5, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 137, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1254 was passed by the Senate on May 23, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor