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H.B. No. 3121

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a study by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality of toxic air pollutants in this state.

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

SECTION 1. DEFINITION. In this Act, "commission" means the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

SECTION 2. STUDY. (a) The commission shall conduct a study to identify the three toxic air contaminants with the highest emissions levels in this state. In conducting the study, the commission shall:

(1) determine the main emission sources for each of the three toxic air contaminants; and

(2) evaluate the effects of emissions for each of the toxic air contaminants on the public health.

(b) The commission shall evaluate the data collected during the study and recommend strategies for reducing emissions levels for each of the toxic air contaminants identified by the study conducted under Subsection (a) of this section.

SECTION 3. REPORT. Not later than December 1, 2010, the commission shall report the results and recommendations of the study conducted under this Act to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the standing committees of the house of representatives and the senate with primary jurisdiction over environmental matters.

1 SECTION 4. EXPIRATION. This Act expires January 1, 2011.

2 SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect
3 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members
4 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas
5 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for
6 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.