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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the use of the proceeds of cash deposits filed with the
- 3 Railroad Commission of Texas by certain persons under the
- 4 jurisdiction of the commission and deposited in the oil-field
- 5 cleanup fund.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 7 SECTION 1. Section 91.108, Natural Resources Code, is
- 8 amended to read as follows:
- 9 Sec. 91.108. DEPOSIT AND USE OF FUNDS. Subject to the
- 10 refund provisions of Section 91.1091, if applicable, proceeds from
- 11 bonds and other financial security required pursuant to this
- 12 chapter and benefits under well-specific plugging insurance
- 13 policies described by Section 91.104(c) that are paid to the state
- 14 as contingent beneficiary of the policies shall be deposited in the
- 15 oil-field cleanup fund. Proceeds from cash deposits filed with the
- 16 commission under Section 91.103 and deposited in the oil-field
- 17 cleanup fund are held in trust to be used only as provided by this
- 18 section and may not be commingled with other money in the fund.
- 19 Notwithstanding [and, notwithstanding] Sections 91.112 and 91.113,
- 20 proceeds described by this section may be used only for actual well
- 21 plugging and surface remediation.
- 22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.