

1-1 By: Eiland (Senate Sponsor - Jackson) H.B. No. 2280  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 4, 2011;  
1-3 May 5, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural  
1-4 Resources; May 13, 2011, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 13, 2011, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the composition of the permanent advisory committee to  
1-9 advise the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality regarding the  
1-10 implementation of the ad valorem tax exemption for pollution  
1-11 control property.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Section 11.31(n), Tax Code, is amended to read as  
1-14 follows:

1-15 (n) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality shall  
1-16 establish a permanent advisory committee consisting of  
1-17 representatives of industry, appraisal districts, taxing units,  
1-18 and environmental groups, as well as members who are not  
1-19 representatives of any of those entities but have substantial  
1-20 technical expertise in pollution control technology and  
1-21 environmental engineering, to advise the commission regarding the  
1-22 implementation of this section. At least one member of the advisory  
1-23 committee must be a representative of a school district or junior  
1-24 college district in which property is located that is or previously  
1-25 was subject to an exemption under this section. Chapter 2110,  
1-26 Government Code, does not apply to the size, composition, or  
1-27 duration of the advisory committee.

1-28 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date  
1-29 of this Act, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality shall  
1-30 appoint one or more representatives of school districts or junior  
1-31 college districts in which property is located that is or  
1-32 previously was subject to an exemption under Section 11.31, Tax  
1-33 Code, to the permanent advisory committee established under  
1-34 Subsection (n) of that section, as amended by this Act.

1-35 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-36 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-37 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-38 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-39 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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