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H.B. No. 2791

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the date by which a pest management zone may request an
3 extension of the cotton stalk destruction deadline.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 74.0032(b), Agriculture Code, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 (b) If adverse weather conditions or other good cause
8 exists, the administrative committee that governs the applicable
9 pest management zone may request that the department grant an
10 extension of the cotton stalk destruction deadline for any
11 specified part of the pest management zone or for the entire pest
12 management zone. A request under this subsection must be made
13 within the period specified by department rule [~~not later than 10~~
14 ~~business days before the applicable cotton stalk destruction~~
15 ~~deadline~~]. A field is not subject to a hostable cotton fee if the
16 department grants an extension of the deadline. The Texas Boll
17 Weevil Eradication Foundation shall submit to the department an
18 estimate of the amount by which an extension under this subsection
19 will increase the cost of administering the boll weevil eradication
20 program.

21 SECTION 2. The change in law made by Section 74.0032,
22 Agriculture Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to a request
23 for an extension made on or after the effective date of this Act. A
24 request for an extension made before the effective date of this Act

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1 is subject to the law in effect on that date, and that law is
2 continued in effect for that purpose.

3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.