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H.B. No. 2987

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to establishing an account for the purchase or operation of emissions monitoring devices in certain counties.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 382, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 382.0336 to read as follows:

Sec. 382.0336. URBAN COUNTY AIR MONITORING ACCOUNT. (a)

The urban county air monitoring account is an account in the general revenue fund.

(b) The account consists of any money deposited to the credit of the account, including any gifts, grants, or donations made for purposes of this section. The commission may accept anonymous gifts and donations for the account.

(c) Money in the account may be appropriated to the commission only for the purchase or operation of devices that monitor the emissions of air contaminants in a county:

(1) with a population of 650,000 or more; and

(2) in which there are more than 2,000 producing oil or gas wells.

(d) Interest earned on the account shall be credited to the account.

(e) Section 403.095, Government Code, does not apply to the account.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.