1-1 S.B. No. 1296 By: Hegar 1-2 1-3 (In the Senate - Filed March 8, 2011; March 16, 2011, read time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources; first April 13, 2011, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 10, 1-4 1-5 Nays 0; April 13, 2011, sent to printer.)

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to the use of proceeds of bonds and other financial 1-8 security filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas by certain persons under the jurisdiction of the commission and deposited in the oil-field cleanup fund. 1-9 1-10 1-11 1-12

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

SECTION 1. Section 91.108, Natural Resources Code, 1-13 is amended to read as follows: 1-14

Sec. 91.108. DEPOSIT AND USE OF FUNDS. Subject to the refund provisions of Section 91.1091, if applicable, proceeds from bonds and other financial security required pursuant to this 1**-**15 1**-**16 1-17 1-18 chapter and benefits under well-specific plugging insurance policies described by Section 91.104(c) that are paid to the state 1-19 1-20 1-21 as contingent beneficiary of the policies shall be deposited in the oil-field cleanup fund and, notwithstanding Sections 91.112 and 91.113, may be used only for actual well plugging and surface remediation or to pay an administrative penalty imposed by the 1-22 1-23 1-24 commission under this title that a person has failed to pay before the penalty is due. SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011. 1**-**25 1**-**26

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