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S.B. No. 1800

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the enforcement of the requirements regarding plugging of inactive oil or gas wells.

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

SECTION 1. Section 89.022, Natural Resources Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(c) The commission may refuse to renew or approve the organization report required by Section 91.142 for an operator that fails to comply with the requirements of this subchapter or may enforce those requirements in the manner provided by Subchapter E.

(d) Notwithstanding Subsection (c), the commission may not renew or approve the organization report required by Section 91.142 for an operator that fails to comply with the requirements of Section 89.029(a) [this subchapter].

SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to the renewal or approval of an organization report on or after the effective date of this Act. The renewal or approval of an organization report before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

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