

Amend SB 212 (senate committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 81.068, Natural Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 81.068. PURPOSES [~~PURPOSE~~] OF OIL AND GAS REGULATION AND CLEANUP FUND. Money in the oil and gas regulation and cleanup fund may be used by the commission or its employees or agents for any purpose related to the regulation of oil and gas development, including oil and gas monitoring and inspections, oil and gas remediation, and oil and gas well plugging, alternative fuels programs under Section 81.0681, public information and services related to those activities, and administrative costs and state benefits for personnel involved in those activities.

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Subchapter C, Chapter 81, Natural Resources Code, is amended by adding Section 81.0681 to read as follows:

Sec. 81.0681. ALTERNATIVE FUELS PROGRAMS. (a) The commission may adopt all necessary rules relating to activities regarding the use of alternative fuels that are or have the potential to be effective in improving the air quality, energy security, or economy of this state.

(b) The commission may use the oil and gas regulation and cleanup fund to pay for activities relating to the use of alternative fuels, including direct and indirect costs relating to:

(1) researching all possible uses of liquefied petroleum gas and natural gas as alternative fuels;

(2) researching, developing, and implementing marketing, advertising, and informational programs relating to alternative fuels to make alternative fuels more understandable and readily available to consumers;

(3) developing and implementing conservation and distribution plans to minimize the frequency and severity of disruptions in the supply of alternative fuels;

(4) developing a public information plan that will provide advisory services relating to alternative fuels to consumers;

(5) developing voluntary participation plans to

promote the use of alternative fuels by federal, state, and local agencies; and

(6) other functions the commission determines are necessary to add a program established by the commission for the purpose of promoting the use of liquefied petroleum gas, natural gas, or other alternative fuels.