A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a limitation on liability for prescribed burning conducted on land owned by, leased by, or occupied by certain self-insured governmental units.

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

SECTION 1. Section 153.082, Natural Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 153.082. INSURANCE. The limitation on liability under Section 153.081 does not apply to an owner, lessee, or occupant of agricultural land unless:

(1) the certified and insured prescribed burn manager conducting a burn on the land has liability insurance coverage:

(A) of at least $1 million for each single occurrence of bodily injury or death, or injury to or destruction of property; and

(B) with a policy period minimum aggregate limit of at least $2 million; or

(2) the owner, lessee, or occupant is a governmental unit, as that term is defined by Section 2259.001, Government Code, that has a self-insurance program approved by the board that provides the amount of coverage required by Subdivision (1).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.