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FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Amend C.S.H.B. No 1 (House Committee Printing) as follows:

On page VI-23 of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's bill pattern, add the following rider:

1           **Appropriation:           Expedited           Processing           of Permit**  
2 **Applications.** Included in amounts appropriated above out of the  
3 Clean Air Account No. 151 is \$525,000 for the biennium for  
4 contract labor, overtime and compensatory pay, or other costs  
5 incurred to support the expedited processing of permit  
6 applications. The Commission on Environmental Quality is  
7 authorized to compensate employees who perform expedited air  
8 permits twice the hourly rate for time worked in excess of their  
9 regularly scheduled work hours. For the purposes of the  
10 expedited permit process, the TCEQ is exempt from provisions of  
11 Article IX relating to the inclusion of temporary or contract  
12 workers in the calculation of the number of Full-Time Equivalent  
13 (FTE) positions.

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15           In addition to the amounts appropriated above, the Texas  
16 Commission on Environmental Quality is hereby appropriated  
17 \$475,000 for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2015  
18 collected and deposited to the Clean Air Account No. 151 in  
19 excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate (estimated  
20 to be \$475,000), resulting from the expedited permit review  
21 surcharges in accordance with Health and Safety Code  
22 382.05155. These funds are provided for costs incurred to  
23 support the expedited permit process.

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25           Any unexpended balances remaining in this appropriation on  
26 August 31, 2015, are hereby appropriated for the same purposes

1 for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2015. In addition,  
2 any unexpended balances on August 31, 2016 in this appropriation  
3 are hereby appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal  
4 year beginning on September 1, 2016.