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H.B. No. 3044

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the effect of rules and standards adopted by the
3 Railroad Commission of Texas relating to the pipeline industry on
4 ordinances, orders or rules adopted by political subdivisions.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 81, Natural Resources
7 Code is amended by adding Section 81.0523 to read as follows:

8 Section 81.0523 EFFECT ON OTHER LAW. The rules and
9 standards promulgated and adopted by the commission pursuant to its
10 jurisdiction under any statute or law preempt and supersede any
11 ordinance, order, or rule adopted by a political subdivision of
12 this state relating to any aspect, facility or phase of the
13 pipeline industry. A political subdivision may petition the
14 commission for permission to promulgate more restrictive rules and
15 standards related to conditions for mapping, inventorying,
16 locating or relocating pipelines over, under, along or across a
17 public street, alley or other public property in the boundaries of
18 the municipality.

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.