

Amend CSSB 1 as follows:

In proposed rider on Oil and Gas Emissions Study, add the following to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality bill pattern on page VI-16:

ANALYSIS OF INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR OIL AND GAS FACILITIES. From the funds appropriated above, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is directed to conduct a study, to be concluded not later than January 1, 2018. The commission shall issue and make available for public comment a preliminary report relating to air and gas facilities that are regulated through permit-by-rules or standard permits. The report must examine present rules and requirements related to inspection and maintenance programs for the detection and repair of leaks, the use of venting and flaring, emissions of volatile organic compounds from storage tanks, emissions of nitrogen oxides from compressor engines, maintenance requirements for compressor stations, and emissions from and maintenance of pneumatic devices and controllers between a wellhead and a natural gas processing plant. The report shall also address issues raised concerning the rules or requirements described in the present rules and requirements; and suggest options for improving safety, preventing air emissions from oil and gas equipment, including methane and other useful products, and reducing emissions from facilities. In suggesting options for improvement, the commission may consider both regulatory and incentive approaches, including the use of Texas Emissions Reduction Plan funds and approaches taken in other leading oil and gas producing states that would lead to improvements in air quality and public health. The commission may hold meetings to consider public comment. After considering public comment, if any, but not later than June 1, 2018, the commission shall post on its Internet website the final report.