BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1515 By: Elkins Environmental Regulation Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note the need to extend the life of the dry cleaner environmental response program to allow the program to continue the corrective action process for contaminated sites in Texas. H.B. 1515 seeks to address this issue by providing for the postponement of the expiration of applicable statutory provisions.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 1515 amends the Health and Safety Code to postpone the expiration date of statutory provisions governing the dry cleaner environmental response program from September 1, 2021, to September 1, 2050.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.

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