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S.B. No. 1723

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the collection of soil monitoring samples from land
3 application units where sewage sludge or domestic septage is
4 applied.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 361, Health and Safety
7 Code, is amended by adding Section 361.1215 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 361.1215. SOIL MONITORING SAMPLE COLLECTION FOR LAND
9 APPLICATION OF SEWAGE SLUDGE OR DOMESTIC SEPTAGE. (a) In this
10 section:

11 (1) "Domestic septage" means liquid or solid material
12 removed from a septic tank, cesspool, portable toilet, marine
13 sanitation device, or similar treatment works that receives only
14 domestic sewage. The term does not include:

15 (A) liquid or solid material removed from a
16 septic tank, cesspool, or similar treatment works that receives
17 commercial wastewater or industrial wastewater; or

18 (B) grease removed from a grease trap.

19 (2) "Land application unit" has the meaning assigned
20 by Section 361.121(a).

21 (b) Soil monitoring samples required by the commission for a
22 land application unit at which sewage sludge or domestic septage is
23 applied must be collected by a commission inspector.

24 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.