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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to best management practices for aggregate production operations.

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

SECTION 1.  The heading to Chapter 28A, Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 28A. REGULATION [~~REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION~~] OF CERTAIN AGGREGATE PRODUCTION OPERATIONS

SECTION 2.  The heading to Subchapter B, Chapter 28A, Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER B. REGISTRATION, [~~AND~~] INSPECTION, AND BEST PRACTICES

SECTION 3.  Subchapter B, Chapter 28A, Water Code, is amended by adding Section 28A.055 to read as follows:

Sec. 28A.055.  BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES. The commission shall adopt and make accessible on the commission's Internet website best management practices for aggregate production operations to comply with applicable environmental laws and rules.

SECTION 4.  As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality shall adopt the best management practices required under Section 28A.055, Water Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 5.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.