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H.B. No. 1896

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the applicability of the requirements relating to the
3 adoption of a new state agency rule by the Parks and Wildlife
4 Department.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 2001.0045(c), Government Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (c) This section does not apply to a rule that:

9 (1) relates to state agency procurement;

10 (2) is amended to:

11 (A) reduce the burden or responsibilities
12 imposed on regulated persons by the rule; or

13 (B) decrease the persons' cost for compliance
14 with the rule;

15 (3) is adopted in response to a natural disaster;

16 (4) is necessary to receive a source of federal funds
17 or to comply with federal law;

18 (5) is necessary to protect water resources of this
19 state as authorized by the Water Code;

20 (6) is necessary to protect the health, safety, and
21 welfare of the residents of this state;

22 (7) is adopted by the Department of Family and
23 Protective Services, Texas Department of Motor Vehicles, Parks and
24 Wildlife Department, Public Utility Commission of Texas, Texas

1 Commission on Environmental Quality, or Texas Racing Commission;

2 (8) is adopted by a self-directed semi-independent
3 agency; or

4 (9) is necessary to implement legislation, unless the
5 legislature specifically states this section applies to the rule.

6 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
7 to a rule proposed by a state agency on or after the effective date
8 of this Act. A rule proposed before that date is governed by the law
9 in effect on the date the rule was proposed, and the former law is
10 continued in effect for that purpose.

11 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.