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By:  Crockett H.B. No. 2564

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to mailed notice of the intent to obtain certain environmental permits.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 5.552(b), Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b)  Not later than the 30th day after the date the executive director determines the application to be administratively complete:

(1)  the applicant shall:

(A)  publish notice of intent to obtain a permit at least once in the newspaper of largest circulation in the county in which the facility to which the application relates is located or proposed to be located or, if the facility to which the application relates is located or proposed to be located in a municipality, at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality; and

(B)  mail notice of the intent to obtain a permit to the owner of each residence located within one mile of the facility or proposed facility; and

(2)  the chief clerk of the commission shall mail notice of intent to obtain a permit to:

(A)  the state senator and representative who represent the general area in which the facility is located or proposed to be located;

(B)  the mayor and health authorities of the municipality in which the facility is located or proposed to be located;

(C)  the county judge and health authorities of the county in which the facility is located or proposed to be located; and

(D)  the river authority in which the facility is located or proposed to be located if the application is under Chapter 26, Water Code.

SECTION 2.  The change in law made by this Act applies only to a permit application that is filed with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.