By:  Hancock S.B. No. 872

(In the Senate - Filed March 1, 2021; March 11, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce; March 26, 2021, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; March 26, 2021, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Hancock              X

Nichols              X

Campbell             X

Creighton                     X

Johnson              X

Menéndez             X

Paxton               X

Schwertner           X

Whitmire             X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the expiration of the dry cleaner environmental response program.

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

SECTION 1.  Sections 374.253(a), (b), and (c), Health and Safety Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a)  This chapter expires on September 1, 2041 [~~2021~~].

(b)  A corrective action, including any administrative duties associated with the action, for which remediation of a contaminated site has begun before September 1, 2041 [~~2021~~], shall be completed in accordance with this chapter using money from the fund, to the extent possible, but money may not be collected for or added to the fund on or after that date.

(c)  The commission may continue a corrective action that has not progressed beyond the investigative or planning stage after September 1, 2041 [~~2021~~], to the extent money from the fund is available.

SECTION 2.  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, 2021.

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