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H.B. No. 1721

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a study by the Texas Commission on Environmental
3 Quality of air contaminants in residential areas in certain
4 counties.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 382, Health and Safety
7 Code, is amended by adding Section 382.0162 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 382.0162. ANNUAL POLLUTION STUDY IN CERTAIN COUNTIES.

9 (a) This section applies only to a county with a population of more
10 than 800,000 in which a permanent concrete plant is located less
11 than one mile from any building used as a single or multifamily
12 residence in the unincorporated area of the county.

13 (b) The commission shall conduct an annual study of air
14 contaminant levels in residential areas in the unincorporated area
15 of a county that are located less than 500 feet from an industrial
16 facility.

17 (c) The air contaminants studied must include those
18 included on the air pollutant watch list described by Section
19 382.0161.

20 (d) The commission shall report the results of each study to
21 the commissioners court of each county included in the study.

22 SECTION 2. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
23 shall begin the first study required by Section 382.0162, Health
24 and Safety Code, as added by this Act, not later than December 1,

1 2021.

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