By: Sparks S.B. No. 63

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to a sales and use tax exemption for certain unprocessed
- 3 materials used in the manufacture of hydrocarbons.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 151.318(b), Tax Code, is amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 (b) The exemption includes:
- 8 (1) chemicals, catalysts, and other materials that are
- 9 used during a manufacturing, processing, or fabrication operation
- 10 to produce or induce a chemical or physical change, to remove
- 11 impurities, or to make the product more marketable;
- 12 (2) semiconductor fabrication cleanrooms and
- 13 equipment; [and]
- 14 (3) pharmaceutical biotechnology cleanrooms and
- 15 equipment that are installed as part of the construction of a new
- 16 facility on which construction began after July 1, 2003; and
- 17 (4) unprocessed sand, dirt, and gravel used in the
- 18 manufacture of hydrocarbons, which may undergo non-processing
- 19 activities that include gathering, scooping, shaking, sorting, and
- 20 washing, unless some method is used to produce a chemical change in
- 21 the material through these activities.
- 22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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- 1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- $2\,$ Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the
- 3 legislative session.