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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the renewal and review of standard permits for certain

3 concrete plants.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 382.05195, Health and Safety Code, is

amended by adding Subsection (e-1) and amending Subsection (k) to

7 read as follows:

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8 (e-1) This subsection applies only to a standard permit

9 issued under this section that authorizes the operation of a

10 permanent concrete plant that performs wet batching, dry batching,

11 or central mixing, as defined by the commission. The commission

12 shall at least once every six years conduct a protectiveness review

13 of the permit regarding the operation of a permanent concrete plant

described by this subsection, including by reviewing available

15 background concentrations of air pollutants. If the commission

amends the permit after a protectiveness review, the commission

17 shall allow facilities authorized to emit air contaminants under

18 the permit as it read before the amendment to continue to operate

19 until a date provided by the commission under Subsection (f) that

20 provides facility operators a reasonable amount of time to comply

21 with the amended permit. Each authorization to use the permit is

22 <u>subject to review at least once every six years to determine whether</u>

23 the authority to operate the facility authorized by the permit

24 should be renewed.

- 1 (k) An application for <u>an authorization to use</u> [the issuance
- 2 of a standard permit under this section for a concrete plant that
- 3 performs wet batching, dry batching, or central mixing, including a
- 4 permanent, temporary, or specialty concrete batch plant, as defined
- 5 by the commission, must include a plot plan that clearly shows:
- 6 (1) a distance scale;
- 7 (2) a north arrow;
- 8 (3) all property lines, emission points, buildings,
- 9 tanks, and process vessels and other process equipment in the area
- 10 in which the facility will be located;
- 11 (4) at least two benchmark locations in the area in
- 12 which the facility will be located; and
- 13 (5) if the permit requires a distance, setback, or
- 14 buffer from other property or structures as a condition of the
- 15 permit, whether the required distance or setback will be met.
- SECTION 2. Section 382.05198, Health and Safety Code, is
- 17 amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (d) to
- 18 read as follows:
- 19 (c) An application for <u>an authorization to use</u> [the issuance
- 20 of a standard permit under this section must include a plot plan
- 21 that meets the requirements of Section 382.05195(k).
- 22 (d) The commission shall at least once every six years
- 23 <u>conduct a protectiveness review of a standard permit issued under</u>
- 24 this section, including by reviewing available background
- 25 concentrations of air pollutants. If the commission amends the
- 26 permit after a protectiveness review, the commission shall allow
- 27 facilities authorized to emit air contaminants under the permit as

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- 1 it read before the amendment to continue to operate until a date
- 2 provided by the commission that provides facility operators a
- 3 reasonable amount of time to comply with the amended permit. Each
- 4 authorization to use a standard permit issued under this section is
- 5 subject to review at least once every six years to determine whether
- 6 the authority to operate the facility authorized by the permit
- 7 should be renewed.
- 8 SECTION 3. (a) Not later than March 1, 2026, the Texas
- 9 Commission on Environmental Quality shall adopt rules necessary to
- 10 implement the changes in law made by this Act.
- 11 (b) After the effective date of this Act, notwithstanding
- 12 the changes in law made by this Act, the Texas Commission on
- 13 Environmental Quality may allow the continuation of an
- 14 authorization to use a permit issued before the effective date of
- 15 this Act until the date the authorization would have been eligible
- 16 for renewal under the law in effect immediately before the
- 17 effective date of this Act, and the former law is continued in
- 18 effect for that purpose.
- 19 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.