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S.B. No. 768

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a study regarding the effects of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl chemicals on public health.

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

SECTION 1. STUDY. The president of the University of Houston shall designate a department or entity at the university to conduct, in collaboration with the Railroad Commission of Texas and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, a study on the effects of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl chemicals on public health. The study must include an assessment of the health impact of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl chemicals found in:

(1) produce, meat, and other food and beverage products, including their packaging;

(2) groundwater, rivers, lakes, reservoirs, and other water sources used to supply the public with drinking water; and

(3) equipment or materials that:

(A) likely contain perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl chemicals; and

(B) regularly come in contact with professionals, including firefighters and chemical manufacturing workers.

SECTION 2. REPORT. Not later than December 1, 2026, the department or entity at the University of Houston designated by the president of the university to conduct the study under

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1 Section 1 of this Act shall prepare a report with the conclusions of
2 the study and submit the report to the legislature.

3 SECTION 3. EXPIRATION. This Act expires December 31, 2026.

4 SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September
5 1, 2025.