

CHAPTER 282

H.B. No. 2362

An Act relating to the discharge of certain waste or pollutants into or adjacent to Salado Creek, a tributary of the Lampasas River, or bodies of water flowing into Salado Creek.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Before February 1, 1987, the Texas Water Commission may not issue a permit under Chapter 26, Water Code, for the discharge of waste or pollutants into or adjacent to Salado Creek, a tributary of the Lampasas River, or any body of water flowing into Salado Creek.

SECTION 2. The Texas Department of Water Resources shall study the effects on Salado Creek of discharges into or adjacent to the creek or any body of water flowing into the creek under permits issued under Chapter 26, Water Code, that are authorized on the effective date of this Act and the effects of authorizing additional discharges by issuing other permits under Chapter 26, Water Code. The study required by this section must be completed before February 1, 1987.

SECTION 3. (a) This Act applies to an application for a permit pending on the effective date of this Act or filed on or after the effective date of this Act.

(b) This Act does not affect the validity or authority of a permit issued under Chapter 26, Water Code, by the Texas Water Commission before the effective date of this Act.

(c) This Act expires February 1, 1987.

SECTION 4. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on May 2, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 138, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 15, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved: June 5, 1985

Effective: Immediately