

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

As proposed, S.B. 588 requires the notice for Texas Commission on Environmental Quality permits for certain projects, in counties of 3.2 million or more, to be published in a newspaper that offers home delivery to residents in the area of the proposed project.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 5.552(d), Water Code, to require applicants for certain types of permits (primarily relating to certain types of waste disposal) from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, in counties of 3.2 million or more, to publish notice of intent to obtain a permit in a newspaper which offers at least weekly home delivery to residences in the vicinity of the proposed activity.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2005.