AN ACT

relating to the acceptance of organization reports and permit
applications and approval of certificates of compliance by the
Railroad Commission of Texas.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 91.114, Natural
Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (d), the commission may
not accept an organization report required under Section 91.142 or
an application for a permit under this Chapter, Chapter 85, or
Chapter 26, 27, or 29, Water Code, or approve a certificate of
compliance under Section 85.161 if:

(1) the organization that submitted the report,
application, or certificate violated a statute or commission rule,
order, license, certificate, or permit that relates to safety or
the prevention or control of pollution; or

(2) a person who holds a position of ownership or
control in the organization has, within the seven [five] years
preceding the date on which the report, application, or certificate
is filed, held a position of ownership or control in another
organization and during that period of ownership or control the
other organization violated a statute or commission rule, order,
license, permit, or certificate that relates to safety or the
prevention or control of pollution.
SECTION 2. (a) This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

(b) The change in law made by this Act applies only to an organization report, permit application, or request for certificate of compliance that is filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas on or after the effective date of this Act.
David Dewhurst  
President of the Senate

Jim Ceddile  
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1484 passed the Senate on April 16, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Larry King  
Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1484 passed the House on May 28, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Robert Haney  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

20 JUN '03  
Date

Rick Perry  
Governor

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Secretary of State