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H.B. No. 523

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to permit application requirements for solid waste facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 361.064, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) A permit application under this subchapter must contain:

(1) a certification from the applicant that the applicant has mailed to each resident living one mile or less from the site and each community organization, nonprofit organization, or civic club located two miles or less from the site:

(A) an explanation of the site's proposed operations; and

(B) a questionnaire seeking community comments regarding the site's proposed operations; and

(2) any comments made by residents, organizations, or clubs in response to the questionnaire.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an application for a permit that is submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on or after the effective date of this Act. An application for a permit that was submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the

1 application was filed, and the former law is continued in effect for
2 that purpose.

3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.