



**League of Women Voters  
of Texas**

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**TESTIMONY  
HB 3582  
House Committee on Environmental Regulation  
April 15, 2009**

The League of Women Voters of Texas **SUPPORTS HB 3582** by Representative Jim Dunnam.

HB 3582 requires the TCEQ to create a single, comprehensive electronic database of all emissions that has the capacity to track all authorized and reported emissions activities and collect information relating to:

- Permitted emissions
- Annual routine emissions
- Excess emissions occurring during maintenance activities, including startups and shutdowns
- And emissions resulting from emissions events.

The database shall be available to the public, though a reporting entity is allowed to review the information prior to the information being included in the database.

This information needs to be available to the public in an understandable manner. In this era of transparency and public responsibility, this is an essential first step.

Thank you for your support of this bill.