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**House Committee on Environmental Regulation re HB 820
MARCH 16, 2011**

The League of Women Voters of Texas (LWV-TX) SUPPORTS HB 820 by Representative Jessica Farrar relating to monitoring requirements for major sources.

This legislation clearly sets out daily fence-line monitoring requirements for air contaminant emissions from major sources and requirements for maintaining records of such monitoring. The determination of the emissions to be monitored is also set forth.

Monitoring emissions is the major way of determining the source or sources of harmful emissions. A strong monitoring requirement is therefore essential to protect the safety and health of nearby residents.

LWV-TX urges the committee to pass this bill on to the House with a recommendation for a favorable vote.