Dear GEAA members and friends,

The TCEQ Sunset Legislation will be coming up for a vote in the Senate very soon. **If we're going to keep the TCEQ sunset bill from turning into a vehicle to deprive Texans of their rights, we're going to need your help.** There are two ways you can fight industry's push to weaken the Texas Commission for Environmental Quality:

The first thing you can do is to contact your senator so he or she knows that you support a TCEQ that will protect our environment. **Please tell your senator two things:**

1. You do not support the amendments that changed the contested case hearing process (the Chisum amendments) and other changes to the bill that would weaken TCEQ. That is not the purpose of the TCEQ Sunset review.

To understand exactly what is at stake here, watch this <u>video clip</u> of State Representatives Anchia and Solomons discussing the ramifications to all Texans of the Chisum amendment (Amendment #40) to the TCEQ Sunset Bill (HB 2694). This motion passed by a 2:1 vote in the House of Representatives on April 19th. Check out the <u>Alliance for Clean Texas</u> and <u>GEAA</u> websites for more information and footage of testimony.

2. The Senate needs to pass a clean bill that does not hurt TCEQ's ability to protect our health, our environment, and our families.

Please <u>contact your State Senator</u> to tell them NO Chisum Amendments. Preserve Texans' ability to have our voices heard and our air and water **protected.** A list of Senate phone numbers is available <u>here</u>.

Many thanks to all of you who have been contacting your legislators. The session isn't over yet. We need to let our State Senators know how we feel about pollution in our State.

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