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Sen. Campbell Files SB 694 to Increase Monitoring of Quarries

AUSTIN – Continuing her commitment to protect the Hill Country, State Senator Donna Campbell filed Senate Bill 694 calling for increased inspections of aggregate production operations to monitor air and water quality at quarries.

Senate Bill 694 increases inspections of quarries from every three years to every two years and allows for unannounced inspections of operators previously cited for noncompliance. The bill also increases penalties on aggregate production operations who fail to register for monitoring under this act.

“For decades, Texans have invested in economic development and supported responsible growth while protecting our natural resources,” said Senator Donna Campbell. “As more development comes to the Hill Country, it's imperative we remain committed to this responsibility. SB 694 ensures that our air and water will be protected for future generations and all our families will prosper from this growth.”

This is the second bill Senator Campbell has filed to address the number of quarries and concrete batch plants seeking to operate in the Hill Country, including Comal, Hays, and Kendall counties. Senate Bill 208, which she introduced last month, doubles the setback requirements to create buffers between quarry rock crushers and churches, schools, and neighborhoods.

"These bills are about encouraging responsible growth while protecting private property rights. I believe we can do both and that the majority of our residents simply want assurances that they are living next to good, responsible neighbors."

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Senator Donna Campbell is Chairwoman of the Veteran Affairs and Border Security Committee and represents Senate District 25, including all of Comal and Kendall Counties.