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H.B. No. 5151

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the prohibition of certain new mines, quarries, or  
3 rock crushing operations.

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

5 SECTION 1. Title 5, Subtitle C, Chapter 382, Health and Safety  
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 382.006 to Subchapter A to read  
7 as follows:

8 382.006 CERTAIN NEW MINES, QUARRIES, AND ROCK CRUSHING  
9 OPERATIONS PROHIBITED.

10 (a) Notwithstanding any other law, mines, quarries, or rock  
11 crushing facilities are prohibited at any site that is located  
12 within:

13 (1) four miles of a lake owned or operated by a Texas  
14 river authority, with a national fish hatchery;

15 (2) four miles of the entrance of a state park operated  
16 by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department with a cavern dedicated  
17 as a National Natural Landmark dedicated in 1971; and

18 (3) two miles of a youth camp founded in 1975 and  
19 licensed by the Texas Department of State Health Services.

20 (b) Subsection (a) does not apply to a site that was legally  
21 operating as a mine, quarry, or rock crushing facility on or before  
22 January 1, 2025.

23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.