BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

The Proposed Committee Substitute for HB 1379 clarifies that a person operating oil or gas wells is bound, as a reasonably prudent operator, to do so in a way that prevents and does not cause pollution at the surface or at nearby wells, as well as to not adversely impact production of oil and gas from nearby leases, drilling and spacing units, and associated wells.

The measure also provides that, in the event damage is caused to nearby property or wells, and swift action is not taken to minimize adverse impacts or timely negotiate to resolve any claims arising from adverse impacts, the damaged party may file an emergency injunction to prevent the operator from continuing operations.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.

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