

BILL SUMMARY
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Research Analysis

The proposed policy committee substitute for SB 132 establishes requirements for idle gas wells, which are defined in the measure.

Any newly idled wells are prohibited from being shut-in for more than 7 years.

An operator with idle wells that were shut-in prior to the effective date of this Act must either plug or produce from them within 10 years. They must also reduce their number of pre-existing idle wells in the following manner:

- They must plug or produce from 25% of their idle wells by July 1, 2028;
- They must plug or produce from 50% of their idle wells by July 1, 2031; and
- All of their idle wells must be either plugged or producing by July 1, 2035.

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Fiscal Analysis

The proposed policy committee substitute to SB 132 re-classifies abandoned wells as idle wells and establishes operator guidelines regarding certain idle gas wells. The Corporation Commission estimates there to be a one-time fiscal impact of Forty Thousand Five Hundred and One Dollars (\$40,501) in order to promulgate rules regarding the provisions of this measure.

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Other Considerations

None.