

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Legislation would improve the permitting and hearing processes used for applications filed with the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. The legislation would simplify the integration process and modify some options for the integrated parties. The legislation would also clarify confusing and potentially conflicting time frames and processes for notification, publication, review, and approval. The legislation would establish predictable hearing dates that will benefit permittees, affected parties, and the department. The legislation would provide a way to eliminate hearings if no objections are received. The legislation would clarify the appeal process.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will have no fiscal impact to the state General Fund or the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission's dedicated fund because there is no change to the number of hearings conducted. Hearing dates are set in advance rather than upon receipt of an application.

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