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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 449

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, after “date” insert “, subject to a certain exception; authorizing the Department to issue a certain number of permits for test wells for hydraulic fracturing that uses certain technology”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 12, strike “**THE**” and substitute “**(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE**”; in lines 15 and 16, strike “**(1)**” and “**(2)**”, respectively, and substitute “**(I)**” and “**(II)**”, respectively; in lines 16 and 18, strike “**(I)**” and “**(II)**”, respectively, and substitute “**1.**” and “**2.**”, respectively; and after line 19, insert:

“(2) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ACCEPT A PERMIT, REVIEW AN APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT, AND ISSUE A PERMIT UNDER THIS SUBTITLE TO AUTHORIZE UP TO SIX TEST WELLS FOR HYDRAULIC FRACTURING THAT USES TECHNOLOGY THAT DOES NOT USE LARGE QUANTITIES OF WATER, SUCH AS PROPELLANT-BASED WELL STIMULATION.”