## **FISCAL NOTE**

## Requested by Legislative Council 03/03/2015

Amendment to: HB 1358

1 A. State fiscal effect: Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.

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	2013-2015 Biennium		2015-2017 Biennium		2017-2019 Biennium			
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds		
Revenues								
Expenditures			\$1,218,200		\$1,218,200			
Appropriations			\$1,218,200		\$1,218,200			

1 B. County, city, school district and township fiscal effect: Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

	2013-2015 Biennium	2015-2017 Biennium	2017-2019 Biennium
Counties			
Cities			
School Districts			
Townships			

2 A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).

This measure requires controls, inspections, and bonding for underground gathering pipelines; expands reclamation for pre 08/01/1983 damages; changes temporarily abandoned statuses and confidentiality of well data; and provides transfers for pipeline and salt removing technique studies.

B. **Fiscal impact sections:** Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.

Section 1 requires the Oil & Gas division to oversee the proper filing of engineering designs, create standards of inspections, and designation of necessary monitoring devices to be installed on pipelines. Section 2 adds the use of AWPSRF funds for reclamation and restoration of pre 08/01/1983 oil and gas development damages. Section 3 requires the Oil & Gas division to administer a new category of bonds for gathering pipelines. Sections 4, 5, and 6 require substantial increases in processing of temporary abandoned well cases, confidential well status and spill reports, and pipeline information requests. Section 7 requires the Industrial Commission to analyze pipeline regulations, provide a report, adopt rules to improve pipeline safety, and contract for a pipeline leak detection project.

- 3. State fiscal effect detail: For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:
  - A. **Revenues:** Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.

No revenue is anticipated at this time.

B. **Expenditures:** Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.

Expenditures per biennium include:

\$230,700 for one petroleum engineer to develop standards of inspections and technological devices as well as supervise the pipeline program;

\$208,000 for one RBDMS technician to update and maintain the database and gather pipeline records; \$130,000 for one administration assistant to administer bonds;

\$649,500 for three engineering technicians (one per district) for pipeline inspection programs;

One petroleum engineer for reclamation and restoration of pre 08/01/1983 oil and gas development damages is included in HB1014 budget request approved by House; and

One GIS Engineering technician (100% of time) is included in HB1014 budget request approved by House.

C. **Appropriations:** Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.

The Oil & Gas Division expenditures for the increased costs in FTE expenses mentioned in 3B total \$1,218,200. The FTE costs are general fund expenses, and are not included in the executive budget.

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