

BILL SUMMARY
2nd Session of the 55th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 2444
Version:	INT
Request Number:	8131
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Impact:	Increases fees for Corporation Commission

Research Analysis

HB 2444, as introduced, increases from \$10,000 to \$100,000 the maximum daily penalty for a violation of rules or regulations relating to pipeline safety or to the Hazardous Liquid Transportation System Safety Act. The measure also increases from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 the maximum total penalty for a series of such violations.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2444 increases the daily maximum pipeline safety violation fees from ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00). It also increases the maximum civil penalty from five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) to one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00). This increases revenue for the Corporation Commission and the exact amount is contingent upon how many violators pay the penalty.

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Other Considerations

None.