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FLOOR AMENDMENT HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend <u>SB132</u> Page _____ Section _____ Lines _____ Of the printed Bill Of the Engrossed Bill

By deleting the content of the entire measure, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Amendment submitted by: Brad Boles

Adopted: _____

Reading Clerk

1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)
3	FLOOR SUBSTITUTE FOR ENGROSSED
4	SENATE BILL NO. 132 By: Burns and Green of the Senate
5	and
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7	Boles of the House
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10	FLOOR SUBSTITUTE
11	An Act relating to the Corporation Commission; amending 17 O.S. 2021, Section 53, which relates to
12	plugging wells; establishing maximum time period for plugging certain wells; defining terms; directing
13	rule promulgation; and providing an effective date.
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16	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
17	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 17 O.S. 2021, Section 53, is
18	amended to read as follows:
19	Section 53. <u>A.</u> The Corporation Commission is hereby authorized
20	to promulgate rules for the plugging of all abandoned oil and gas
21	wells subject to its jurisdiction. Abandoned All wells shall be
22	plugged under the direction and supervision of Commission employees
23	as may be prescribed by the Commission. Provided, however, the
24	Commission shall not order any oil or gas well to be plugged or

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closed if the well is located on an otherwise producing oil or gas
lease as defined by the Commission, unless such well poses an
imminent threat to the public health and safety which shall be
determined by the Commission after conducting a public hearing on
the matter.

B. 1. An idle gas well shall be plugged if it has not produced 6 gas within the last ten (10) years, provided that the operator, 7 owner, or other responsible parties may be granted an exception by 8 9 demonstrating good cause to the Corporation Commission. Good cause 10 may include, but is not limited to, evidence regarding the gas well's future use for production, injection, carbon storage, and 11 geothermal energy generation, pursuant to Corporation Commission 12 13 rules.

2. Any operator with an idle gas well that is not producing gas 14 as of the effective date of this act shall have ten (10) years from 15 the effective date of this act to either plug or produce from the 16 well, provided that the operator, owner, or other responsible 17 parties may be granted an exception by demonstrating good cause to 18 the Corporation Commission. Good cause may include, but is not 19 limited to, evidence regarding the gas well's future use for 20 production, injection, carbon storage, and geothermal energy 21 generation, pursuant to Corporation Commission rules. 22 C. As used in this section: 23

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1	1. "Idle gas well" means a nonproducing gas well with respect
2	to which there has been no commercial production (i.e., from which
3	there has been no sale of natural gas) for the preceding ten (10)
4	years; and no reasonable case is made by the named operator for its
5	future use, including, without limitation, for production,
6	injection, carbon storage, and geothermal energy generation;
7	2. "Nonproducing well" means a well that was drilled for the
8	purpose of producing hydrocarbons and that is currently shut-in or
9	temporarily abandoned;
10	3. "Shut-in" means a well that is completed, not producing, but
11	is mechanically capable of production and has requisite surface
12	facilities; and
13	4. "Temporarily abandoned" means a well that is completed, not
14	producing, and is not shut-in.
15	D. The Commission shall promulgate rules to effectuate the
16	provisions of this section and establish any necessary enforcement
17	measures.
18	SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.
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