BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.: SB132 Version: Engrossed

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 Impact:
 \$40,501

Research Analysis

SB 132 establishes requirements for shut-in gas wells, which are defined in the measure. The measure prohibits a newly shut-in well from being shut-in for more than 7 years.

Any operator with wells that were shut-in prior to the effective date of this Act must either plug or produce from the well within 10 years. Further, the measure requires an operator with shut-in wells to reduce their number of such wells in the following manner:

- They must reduce their number of shut-in wells by 25% by July 1, 2028;
- Their number of shut-in wells must be reduced by 50 percent by July 1, 2031;
- All their shut-in wells must either be plugged or producing by July 1, 2035.

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Fiscal Analysis

Engrossed SB 132 adds shut-in gas wells to be classified as an abandoned well and establishes operator guidelines regarding certain shut-in gas wells. The Corporation Commission estimates there to be a one-time fiscal impact of Forty Thousand Five Hundred and One Dollars (\$40,501) in order to promulgate rules regarding the provisions of this measure.

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Other Considerations

None.

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