

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 1419 requires operators to provide notice to surface owners 30 days before transferring operations, assigning a lease or wellbore interest, conducting a transaction that changes control of a well, facility, or associated equipment. The operator of a proposed successor shall provide to the surface owner mechanical integrity reports and well-status documentation, environmental assessments, cost estimates for plugging and restoration, financial assurance instruments, and documents required by the Corporation Commission needed for approval. Such documents shall be provided within 10 business days after the request.

The measure also requires any operator of a fracking operation to perform a fracture-point or formation integrity test prior to any new drilling, reworking, or stimulation activity. A report of the study shall be provided to the Commission at least 30 days prior to the commencement of any hydraulic fracturing or reworking of the well. Inadequate or false testing shall constitute grounds for the Commission to enforce civil penalties, denial or revocation of an operator's permit, or joint and several liability. Surface owners may seek an injunction to stop the operation and the operator if a study is not conducted.

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