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TO: Honorable Rick Hardcastle, Chair, House Committee on Energy Resources

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB630 by King, Phil (Relating to notice to a surface owner by an oil or gas well operator of the issuance of a permit for certain oil and gas operations.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require that an oil and gas operator provide written notice to the surface owner of a tract for which the operator has received a permit from the Railroad Commission to drill a new oil or gas well or re-enter a plugged and abandoned oil or gas well with certain exceptions. The Railroad Commission reports that the bill's passage would not result in significant costs to the agency.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 455 Railroad Commission

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