

1-1 By: Callegari (Senate Sponsor - Seliger) H.B. No. 2067  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 27, 2011;  
1-3 May 3, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Business  
1-4 and Commerce; May 10, 2011, reported favorably by the following  
1-5 vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 10, 2011, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the regulation of the practice of engineering by  
1-9 individuals engaged in the evaluation of oil and gas resources.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 1001, Occupations Code, is  
1-12 amended by adding Section 1001.068 to read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 1001.068. CERTAIN OUT-OF-STATE ENGINEERS ENGAGED IN  
1-14 EVALUATING OIL AND GAS RESOURCES. (a) In this section, "evaluation  
1-15 of oil and gas resources" includes:

1-16 (1) the quantification of the volume of oil and gas  
1-17 reserves and resources in the subsurface of the earth;

1-18 (2) the determination of production forecasts for the  
1-19 reserves or resources; and

1-20 (3) the evaluation of the economic impact of the  
1-21 production forecasts.

1-22 (b) This chapter does not apply to the evaluation of oil and  
1-23 gas resources if the evaluation:

1-24 (1) is done by an engineer licensed in a state that  
1-25 does not prohibit engineers licensed under this chapter from  
1-26 engaging in the evaluation of oil and gas resources in that state;

1-27 (2) does not involve design, construction, or  
1-28 engineering assessments on the surface; and

1-29 (3) does not present a risk to public health or safety.

1-30 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-31 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-32 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-33 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-34 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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