

ENROLLED ACT NO. 58, SENATE

FIFTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2007 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to minerals; providing for the confidentiality of drilling reports as specified; modifying report requirements; requiring notice of the provisions; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 35-11-404(e) is amended to read:

35-11-404. Drill holes to be capped, sealed or plugged.

(e) Within twelve (12) months after the completion and proper abandonment of any hole drilled any person shall file with the administrator, land quality division and the state engineer a report which shall include the location of each hole, to the nearest forty (40) acre legal subdivision utilizing Wyoming state plane coordinates, and the depth of each hole drilled. Such—The reports are—shall be confidential for a period of five (5) years from the date of filing. The period may be extended for additional five (5) year periods upon request of the person filing the report. When a report is no longer confidential pursuant to this subsection, the provisions of W.S. 35-11-1101 shall apply.

Section 2.

(a) If the division receives a request for a release of any report filed prior to the effective date of this act, the division shall notify the person filing the report of the request for the release of the report at his last known address on file with the division. If no objection is received by the division within thirty (30) days from the date of notification, the report shall be released. If

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an objection is received by the division within thirty (30) days from the date of notification, the report shall not be released.

(b) Not later than ninety (90) days following the effective date of this act, the division shall file notice of the provisions of this act in a newspaper of statewide distribution. The notice shall contain provisions for any person who filed a report prior to the effective date of this act to request that the report be kept confidential according to the provisions of this act.

Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2007.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk