



HB0032

Geologic sequestration-unitization amendments.

Sponsored By: Joint Minerals, Business & Economic Development
Interim Committee

AN ACT relating to environmental quality; specifying that pore space utilization is a purpose of geologic sequestration unitization; providing definitions; amending permit types related to geologic sequestration; amending application requirements for the unitization of interests in pore space in a unit area; amending the findings required by the oil and gas conservation commission before entry of a unitization order; amending notice requirements for unitization applications; clarifying that a unitization order may provide for the use of directional wells; making conforming amendments; specifying applicability; requiring rulemaking; and providing for an effective date.

1/3/2024 Bill Number Assigned
1/24/2024 H Received for Introduction
2/12/2024 H Introduced and Referred to H09 - Minerals 61-0-1-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allemand, Allred, Andrew, Banks, Bear, Berger, Brown, Burkhart, Jr, Byron, Chadwick, Chestek, Clouston, Conrad, Crago, Davis, Eklund, Haroldson, Harshman, Heiner, Henderson, Hornok, Jennings, Knapp, Larsen, Lloyd, Larson, Jt, Lawley, Locke, Neiman, Newsome, Nicholas, Niemiec, Northrup, Oakley, Obermueller, O'hearn, Olsen, Ottman, Pendergraft, Penn, Provenza, Rodriguez-Williams, Sherwood, Singh, Slagle, Smith, Speaker Sommers, Stith, Storer, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Trujillo, Walters, Ward, Washut, Western, Winter, Wylie, Yin, Zwonitzer, Dan, Zwonitzer, Dave

Excused: Representative Angelos

Ayes 61 Nays 0 Excused 1 Absent 0 Conflicts 0

2/14/2024 H09 - Minerals:Recommend Do Pass 9-0-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Banks, Burkhart, Jr, Conrad, Heiner, Knapp, Larson, Lawley, Tarver, Western

Ayes 9 Nays 0 Excused 0 Absent 0 Conflicts 0

2/14/2024 H Placed on General File
2/14/2024 H COW:Passed
2/15/2024 H 2nd Reading:Passed
2/16/2024 H 3rd Reading:Passed 61-0-1-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allemand, Allred, Andrew, Banks, Bear, Berger, Brown, Burkhart, Jr, Byron, Chadwick, Chestek, Clouston, Conrad, Crago, Davis, Eklund, Haroldson, Harshman, Heiner, Henderson, Hornok, Jennings, Knapp, Larsen, Lloyd, Larson, Jt, Lawley, Locke, Neiman, Newsome, Nicholas, Niemiec, Northrup, Oakley, Obermueller, O'hearn, Olsen, Ottman, Pendergraft, Penn, Provenza, Rodriguez-Williams, Sherwood, Singh, Slagle, Smith, Speaker Sommers, Stith, Storer, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Trujillo, Walters, Ward, Washut, Western, Winter, Wylie, Yin, Zwonitzer, Dan, Zwonitzer, Dave

Excused: Representative Angelos

Ayes 61 Nays 0 Excused 1 Absent 0 Conflicts 0

2/19/2024 S Received for Introduction

2/20/2024 S Introduced and Referred to S09 - Minerals
2/23/2024 S09 - Minerals:Recommend Do Pass 4-0-0-0-1

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Cooper, Dockstader, Jones, Rothfuss
Conflicts: Senator Ellis
Ayes 4 **Nays** 0 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 1

2/23/2024 S Placed on General File
2/26/2024 S COW:Passed

HB0032S2001/ADOPTED

Page 2-line 1 After "35-11-313(f)(ii)(F)" insert "and (m)".

Page 3-after line 14 Insert:

"(m) Nothing in this section shall be construed to:

(i) Create any liability by the state for failure to comply with this section;

(ii) Diminish, impair or otherwise alter the dominance of the mineral estate over the surface estate and pore space interests;

(iii) Prohibit a mineral interest owner from developing the owner's minerals that are located where carbon sequestration under this section or W.S. 35-11-314 through 35-11-320 is taking place or has occurred." BITEMAN

2/27/2024 S 2nd Reading:Passed
2/28/2024 S 3rd Reading:Laid Back

HB0032S3001/WITHDRAWN

HB0032S3002/ADOPTED

Delete the Biteman second reading amendment (HB0032S2001/A) and the Rothfuss third reading amendment (HB0032S3001/A) entirely and further amend as follows:

Page 2-line 5 After "(g)" insert ", (k)".

Page 12-after line 10 Insert:

"(k) No order for unitization issued under this section shall:

(i) Act so as to grant any person a right of use or access to a surface estate if that person would not otherwise have such a right;

(ii) Diminish, impair or otherwise alter the dominance of the mineral estate over the surface estate and pore space interests;

(iii) Prohibit a mineral interest owner from developing the owner's minerals above or below the unit area." BITEMAN, ROTHFUSS

2/29/2024 S 3rd Reading:Passed 19-9-2-0-1

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Anderson, Baldwin, Barlow, Boner, Brennan, Case, Cooper, Furphy, Gierau, Hicks, Jones, Kinskey, Kolb, Nethercott, Pappas, President Driskill, Rothfuss, Schuler, Scott

Nays: Senator(s) Biteman, Bouchard, French, Hutchings, Ide, Laursen, Mckeown, Salazar, Steinmetz

Excused: Senator(s) Dockstader, Landen

Conflicts: Senator Ellis

Ayes 19 **Nays** 9 **Excused** 2 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 1

2/29/2024 H Received for Concurrence

2/29/2024 H Concur:Passed 56-0-6-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allemand, Allred, Angelos, Banks, Bear, Berger, Brown, Burkhardt, Jr, Byron, Chadwick, Chestek, Clouston, Conrad, Davis, Eklund, Haroldson, Harshman, Heiner, Henderson, Hornok, Knapp, Larson, Jt, Lawley, Locke, Newsome, Nicholas, Niemiec, Northrup, Oakley, Obermueller, O'hearn, Olsen, Ottman, Penn, Provenza, Rodriguez-Williams, Sherwood, Singh, Slagle, Smith, Speaker Sommers, Stith, Storer, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Trujillo, Walters, Ward, Washut, Western, Winter, Wylie, Yin, Zwonitzer, Dan, Zwonitzer, Dave

Excused: Representative(s) Andrew, Crago, Jennings, Larsen, Lloyd, Neiman, Pendergraft

Ayes 56 **Nays** 0 **Excused** 6 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

3/1/2024 Assigned Number HEA No. 0024

3/1/2024 H Speaker Signed HEA No. 0024

3/1/2024 S President Signed HEA No. 0024