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STATE OF COLORADO**

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HOUSE BILL 15-1119

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Buck, Saine, Becker J., Lundeen, Klingenschmitt, Carver, Neville P., DelGrosso, Tate, Lawrence, Dore, Roupe, Ransom, Szabo, Humphrey, Landgraf, Brown, Conti

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

(None),

House Committees

State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
Appropriations

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING A REQUIREMENT THAT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT**
102 **BANS HYDRAULIC FRACTURING COMPENSATE OIL AND GAS**
103 **ROYALTY OWNERS AFFECTED BY THE BAN.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

The bill specifies that a local government that bans hydraulic fracturing of an oil and gas well is liable to the royalty owner for the value of the lost royalties.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 29-20-204.5 as
3 follows:

4 **29-20-204.5. Compensation to royalty owners affected by**
5 **hydraulic fracturing ban.** A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT ADOPTS OR
6 ENFORCES AN ORDINANCE, RESOLUTION, OR OTHER POLICY OR
7 REGULATION THAT PROHIBITS AN OIL AND GAS OPERATOR, AS THAT TERM
8 IS DEFINED IN SECTION 34-60-103 (6.8), C.R.S., FROM CONDUCTING A
9 HYDRAULIC FRACTURING TREATMENT ON AN OIL AND GAS WELL THAT IS
10 OR, BUT FOR THE PROHIBITION, WOULD BE LOCATED WITHIN THE LOCAL
11 GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION IS LIABLE TO THE ROYALTY OWNER FOR THE
12 VALUE OF THE ROYALTIES NOT RECEIVED DUE TO THE PROHIBITION.

13 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date -**
14 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following
15 the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the
16 general assembly (August 5, 2015, if adjournment sine die is on May 6,
17 2015); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1
18 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section,
19 or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part
20 will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election
21 to be held in November 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the
22 date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

23 (2) This act applies to the adoption or enforcement of a
24 prohibition on hydraulic fracturing treatments occurring on or after the
25 applicable effective date of this act.