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An act relating to mineral rights; amending s. 270.11, F.S.; releasing mineral rights reserved by a local government, water management district, or other agency of the state for specified parcels of property; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 270.11, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

270.11 Contracts for sale of public lands to reserve certain mineral rights; prohibition on exercise of right of entry in certain cases.—

(2)

(b) The right of entry in respect to any interest in phosphate, minerals, and metals or any interest in petroleum heretofore or hereafter reserved in favor of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, or the State Board of Education, or a local government, water management district, or other agency of the state is hereby released for as to any parcel of property that is, or ever has been, a contiguous tract of less than 20 acres in the aggregate under the same ownership.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.