

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to advanced well stimulation
 3 treatment; amending s. 377.19, F.S.; defining the term
 4 "advanced well stimulation treatment"; conforming a
 5 cross-reference; creating s. 377.2405, F.S.;
 6 prohibiting the performance of advanced well
 7 stimulation treatments; providing that permits for
 8 drilling or operating a well do not authorize the
 9 performance of advanced well stimulation treatments;
 10 providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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 14 Section 1. Subsections (1) through (32) of section 377.19,
 15 Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (2) through
 16 (33), respectively, present subsection (5) of that section is
 17 amended, and a new subsection (1) is added to that section, to
 18 read:

19 377.19 Definitions.—As used in ss. 377.06, 377.07, and
 20 377.10-377.40, the term:

21 (1) "Advanced well stimulation treatment" means all stages
 22 of a well intervention performed by injecting fluids into a rock
 23 formation:

24 (a) At pressure that is at or exceeds the fracture
 25 gradient of the rock formation and the purpose or effect is to

26 | fracture the formation to increase production or recovery from
 27 | an oil or gas well, such as hydraulic fracturing or acid
 28 | fracturing; or

29 | (b) At pressure below the fracture gradient of the rock
 30 | formation and the purpose or effect is to dissolve the formation
 31 | to increase production or recovery from an oil or gas well, such
 32 | as matrix acidizing.

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 34 | The term does not include techniques used for routine well
 35 | cleanout work, well maintenance, or removal of formation damage
 36 | due to drilling or production, or acidizing techniques used to
 37 | maintain or restore the natural permeability of the formation
 38 | near the wellbore.

39 | (6) ~~(5)~~ "Gas" means all natural gas, including casinghead
 40 | gas, and all other hydrocarbons not defined as oil in subsection
 41 | (16) ~~(15)~~.

42 | Section 2. Section 377.2405, Florida Statutes, is created
 43 | to read:

44 | 377.2405 Advanced well stimulation treatments.—

45 | (1) PROHIBITION.—The performance of advanced well
 46 | stimulation treatments is prohibited in this state. A permit for
 47 | drilling or operating a well does not authorize the performance
 48 | of advanced well stimulation treatments.

49 | (2) APPLICABILITY.—This section only applies to wells
 50 | regulated pursuant to this chapter.

51 | Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law. |