

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1900

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By: Senator B. Davis

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION; TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING INFORMATION PROVIDED TO ROYALTY OWNERS RELATED TO DEDUCTIONS; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SANCTIONS FOR NONCOMPLIANCE RELATED TO INFORMATION PROVIDED TO ROYALTY OWNERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING INFORMATION PROVIDED TO ROYALTY OWNERS RELATED TO DEDUCTIONS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SANCTIONS FOR NONCOMPLIANCE RELATED TO INFORMATION PROVIDED TO ROYALTY OWNERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 15-72-305(a)(5)(A)(vii), concerning information regarding information on deductions that the operator is required to provide to a royalty owner, is amended to read as follows:

(vii) ~~Any and all deductions~~ Each deduction and associated amount deducted from the payment, which shall be itemized as to the nature, purpose, and amount of ~~the~~ each deduction from the payment to the royalty owner; and

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 15-72-305(a)(5)(D)(iv), concerning a civil penalty authorized as a sanction by the Oil and Gas Commission on a



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noncompliant party related to a royalty owner's request for information or answers, is amended to read as follows:

(iv) These sanctions shall include, but not be limited to, a civil penalty of up to, but not more than, ~~five hundred dollars (\$500)~~the maximum penalty amount allowed for a delinquency as described in § 15-74-709(a)(2). The commission shall have the authority to suspend the imposition of any sanction for a maximum period of sixty (60) days in order to allow the noncompliant party the opportunity to furnish proof to the commission of his or her compliance with any commission order.