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Robideaux HB No. 616

Abstract: Changes severance tax exemptions and other special tax treatment for various types of oil and gas production.

<u>Present law</u> imposes tax on the severance of oil and natural gas.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> with respect to tax rates.

<u>Present law</u> provides for various exemptions and special tax treatment with respect to severance tax liabilities related to oil and gas production.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> for the exemptions for horizontal wells, inactive wells, deep wells, production related to tertiary recovery projects.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes an exclusion from the severance tax base for gas which is subsequently injected into a formation in La. or which is used in the manufacture of carbon black.

<u>Proposed law</u> repeals <u>present law</u> relative to the tax on stripper wells, stored gas, gas used in the production of natural resources in La., and gas vented or flared.

(Amends R.S. 47:633(7)(a), (iii)(introductory paragraph) and (iv)(introductory paragraph), and 633(9)(d)(v), and R.S. 47:633.4(B); Adds R.S. 47:634(4); Repeal R.S. 47:633(7)(c)(ii), (9)(e)(i), (v), and (vii))