

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

18           377.19 Definitions.—As used in ss. 377.06, 377.07, and  
 19           377.10–377.40, the term:

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

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

26 an oil or gas well, such as hydraulic fracturing or acid  
27 fracturing; or

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

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

38 (6)-(5) "Gas" means all natural gas, including casinghead  
39 gas, and all other hydrocarbons not defined as oil in subsection  
40 (16)-(15).

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

43 377.2405 Advanced well stimulation treatments.-

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

48 (2) APPLICABILITY.—This section only applies to wells  
49 regulated pursuant to chapter 377.

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